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ALL ABOARD An elephant ride in Java. *Right:* The lap pool at the Como Shambhala Estate.



Destinations

INDONESIA

Sightseeing and spas in the islands.

ITALY

Biking through the countryside.

AFRICA

Wine tasting and wild game safaris.

BRAZIL

Gourmet cuisine from every culture.

A Trip to Remember

We asked four top-notch travel companies to plan the ultimate honeymoon. All you have to bring is your passport—and some beauty essentials. *By Stephanie Wu*

① ISLAND HOPPING IN INDONESIA

LENGTH: 14 days
PRICED FROM: \$28,000 per couple
BOOK THROUGH: Remote Lands, a travel company specializing in Asia, remotelands.com

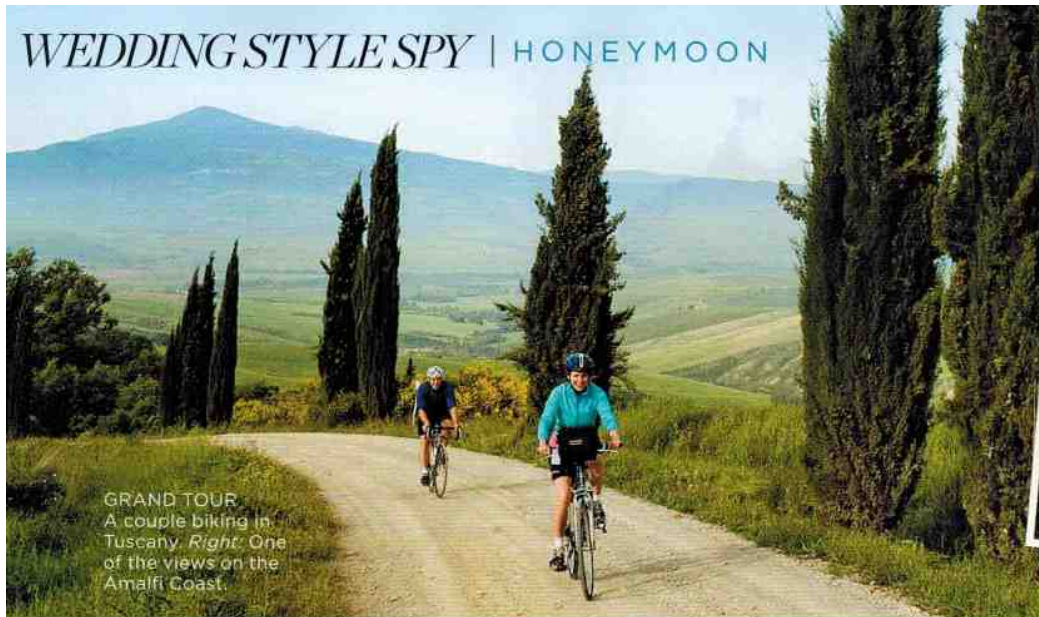
Indonesia is made up of more than 17,000 islands; on this trip you'll be exploring the best. Start in **BALI** with a cliffside pavilion dinner overlooking the Indian Ocean on the grounds of the serene Alila Villas Uluwatu, where you'll be staying. • The next day take a helicopter over the picturesque Gunung Batur volcano to see the lake that has formed near the peak. Back on land, you'll make traditional kites with a Balinese prince before dining with him and his family in their 17th-century palace. On your last day in Bali, enjoy a private cooking class, make batiks with a local artisan, and browse the upscale shops in Seminyak. • On day four, a quick flight gets you to **JAVA** to see Prambanan, a beautiful Hindu temple complex that is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here, you'll stay at the impeccably designed Amanjiwo, where the suites have

volcanic sand roofs and the furniture is hand-carved teak. Wake up early for a tour of Borobudur, which is recognized as the world's largest Buddhist monument, then visit a private art collection. • The next destination is **KALIMANTAN**, where you'll board a river boat to see monkeys and wild-life on the banks of the Sekonyer River. Spend the night at the Rimba Eco-Lodge before continuing down the river to watch orangutans being fed at a national park. • Fly to **SUMBA ISLAND** for deep sea fishing, and learn how to turn freshly caught wahoo into sashimi before settling in at the exclusive Nihiwatu hotel. Re-energize with some meditation before a private surfing lesson or sunset horseback ride, followed by a fireside beach barbecue. • To finish the trip, take a chartered yacht to **RINCA, FLORES**, and the **KOMODO ISLANDS**—where you'll spot native Komodo dragons—before heading back to Bali to visit **UBUD**, Indonesia's cultural capital. There, you'll stay at the Como Shambhala Estate, favored for its locally inspired spa treatments. Try the *mandi lulur*, a honey and turmeric exfoliating body treatment that was once reserved exclusively for Javanese princesses preparing for their wedding days.

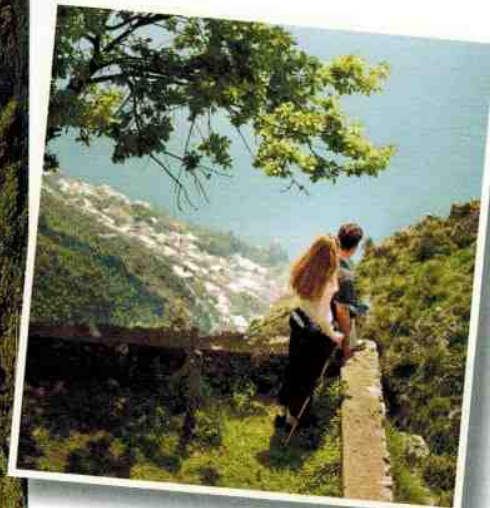
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FUN IN THE SUN A little dewiness is desirable, but if you add humidity to the equation you could appear reflective in your honeymoon photos. Resist shine with Tatcha's oil-absorbing sheets (1), and don't forget lip balm (2) and a good sunblock, like Rodan + Field's new Soothe Mineral Sunscreen (3). (For details see page 130.)



GRAND TOUR
A couple biking in Tuscany. Right: One of the views on the Amalfi Coast.



② HIKING AND BIKING IN ITALY

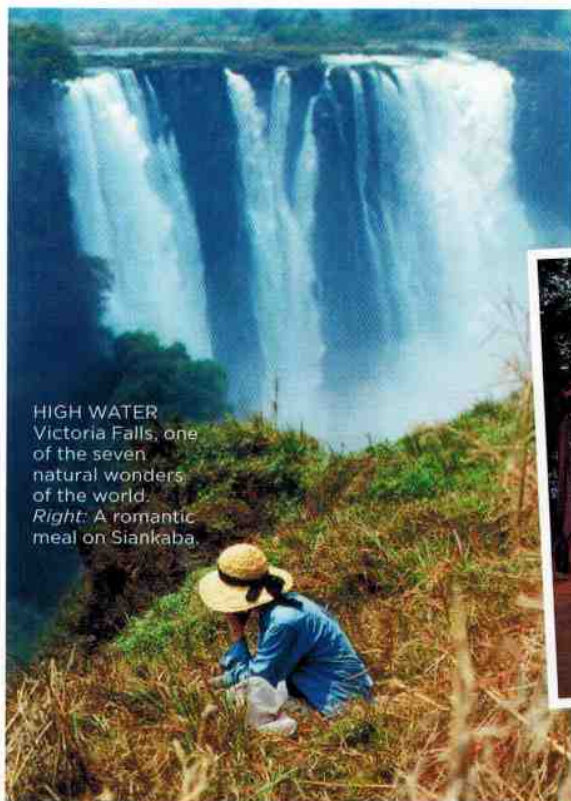
LENGTH: 11 days
PRICED FROM: \$23,990 per couple
BOOK THROUGH: Butterfield & Robinson, a tour outfitter known for its active, adventurous itineraries. butterfield.com

This guided trip starts with a walking tour of **FLORINCE**, where you'll bypass the notoriously long lines to see *David* and the Uffizi and stay at the Four Seasons. • Bike through the gorgeous rolling hills of **TUSCANY** for five days, stopping for wine tastings and a medieval city tour. Along the way, stay at the restored Locanda dell'Amorosa in **SINALUNGA**, the majestic Grand Hotel

Continental in **SIENA**, and the idyllic Castello di Spaltenna hotel in **GAIOLE**, the heart of Chianti's wine region. • Then fly to **POSITANO**, where you'll stay at the famed Le Sireneuse and walk the six-mile Pathway of the Gods, taking in scenic views along the dramatic coastline. • Rest your legs on a day trip via private yacht to the neighboring islands of the **AMALFI COAST**, then make the three-hour drive to **ROME**, where you'll have a private walking tour of the city and relax for a few nights in a grand suite at the historic Villa Spalletti Trivelli.



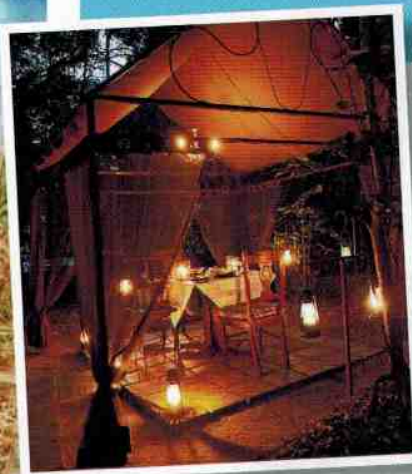
ON THE MOVE Clinique's new Age Defense BB Cream (1) provides sheer coverage, sun protection, and hydration, while CoverGirl's Lashblast 24HR Mascara (2) can handle a little perspiration. For postcycling soreness, pack Ole Henriksen's minty Muscle Comfort Lotion (3).



HIGH WATER
Victoria Falls, one of the seven natural wonders of the world. Right: A romantic meal on Siankaba.

③ LUXURY AFRICAN SAFARI

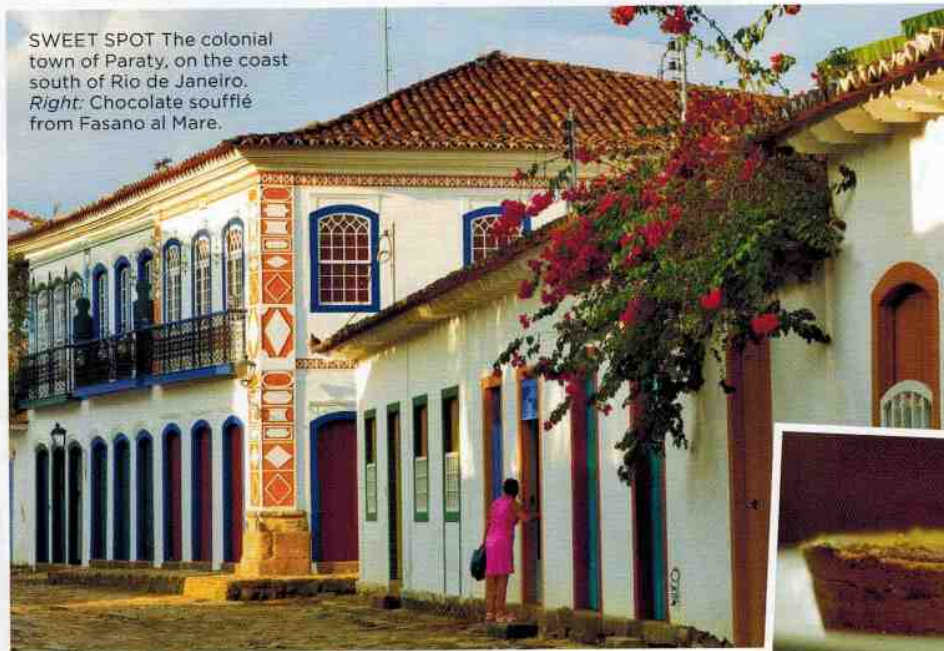
LENGTH: 14 days
PRICED FROM: \$33,000 per couple
BOOK THROUGH: Luxury safari planner Extraordinary Journeys. ejafrica.com



In **CAPE TOWN**, start by touring Table Mountain via cable car and shopping for South African art at Streetwires before turning in at the secluded Kensington Place. • The next day, drive to the **CAPE WINELANDS** for a late lunch and wine tastings, followed by dinner nearby at the legendary Bosman's Restaurant at the Grande Roche, where you'll also be staying. • Don't miss the hotel's champagne and oyster breakfast buffet before you fly off for a safari adventure, which starts at the Londolozi Tree Camp, in South Africa's **SABI SAND GAME RESERVE**. There are lions, elephants, buffalo, and rhinos—and keep an eye out for one of the area's famously elusive leopards. • Afterward you'll move on to Singita Lebombo Lodge in **KRUGER NATIONAL PARK**, renowned for

the variety of species that come through (more than 500 types of birds) and its spotlight nighttime safaris. • Once you've gotten your fill of animals, fly to Zambia for two days in the islands of **SIANKABA**, where you can take in the breathtaking grandeur of Victoria Falls with a helicopter ride, and

enjoy guided bird walks, fishing, a sunset river cruise, and a canoe trip through the islands. • The trip's last stop is **BENGUERRA ISLAND**, off Mozambique, where you'll stay at the Azura resort and fill your final days with snorkeling, spa treatments, and one last romantic dinner on a deserted island.



SWEET SPOT The colonial town of Paraty, on the coast south of Rio de Janeiro. Right: Chocolate soufflé from Fasano al Mare.

4 GOURMET BRAZIL

LENGTH: 10 days
PRICED FROM: \$81,000 per couple
BOOK THROUGH: Nota Bene, a members-only travel service with annual fees starting at \$25,000. notabenetravel.com

Upon arrival at **RIO**'s Fasano hotel, take a dip in the rooftop pool before dining alfresco at the on-site Fasano Al Mare restaurant. • The next day you'll visit Corcovado Mountain and the famous Christ the Redeemer statue, and the charming neighborhood of Santa Teresa, where you'll break for lunch at the traditionally Brazilian *Aprazível* (try the fish cooked in a banana leaf) and take in the incredible views. After lunch, tour the stupendous Botanical Gardens and Lage Park, which used to be a private manor. You'll dine at the buzzy Japanese restaurant *Sushi Leblon*, then end (or begin) the night with live samba in Lapa, the center of Rio's nightlife scene. • Day three is spent in

ANGRA DOS REIS, where you'll cruise around the 365 islands, stopping at deserted beaches for swimming, trekking, and a light lunch. Before returning, spend an hour in the colonial town of Paraty, where



PERFECT PAIRING Go Smile's On the Go Whitening Pen (1) and Madame Paulette's Professional Stain Removal Kit (2) will keep you looking gorgeous, even after a minor mishap. Keep Guerlain's Noir G Mascara (3) in your purse—the case doubles as a mirror.



STAY COOL Keep skin hydrated with Dior's new L'Or de Vie La Crème (1) and ward off mosquitoes with Cold Spring Apothecary's All Natural Bug Spray (2). For island nights, spritz on Santal Massoia, a new irresistible sandalwood scent from Hermès (3).

no cars are allowed in the historic center. At night, dine at *Olympe*, where chef Claude Troisgros puts a Brazilian spin on French cuisine. • Head to the markets the next day with a private chef who will explain various cuisines and cook a meal for you at his house. That night you'll have dinner at *Satyricon*, one of the most famous fish restaurants in Rio. • Enjoy a caipirinha before hopping on a private jet to **SAO PAULO**, where you'll stay at a suite in the posh Hotel Emiliano on Rua Oscar Freire, in the hub of the city. Have dinner at the nearby Italian restaurant *Gero*, followed by a nightcap at *Baretto*. • In São Paulo you'll visit *Casa da Fazenda*, a restored 19th-century mansion; *Paraisópolis*, where the house of Estevão (known as the local Gaudí) is located; and the state art museum on *Praça de Luz*. Dine on Argentine steaks at *Figueira Rubaiyat* for lunch, and at night rub shoulders with a fashionable crowd over sushi at *Kino-shita*. • Other points of interest include **IBIRAPUERA PARK**, which houses the Afro Brazilian Museum and the Museum of Modern Art; the affluent old neighborhood of *Higienópolis*; and designer label emporium *Daslu*. For your last meal, try *D.O.M.*, a fusion of Brazilian, French, and Italian cuisine, which critics have called one of the best restaurants in the world.