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Kylie: Between the Sheets at Buddha-Bar Prague

The first time I heard about the **Buddha-Bar Hotel** Prague was earlier this year when I was looking for some special hotels to feature in my "Celebrity Romance" blog. This little boutique retreat was certainly causing a stir with A-listers, actors, athletes and Aphrodite herself, otherwise known as Kylie Minogue, having all been rumoured to have recently visited. So I grabbed my sweetheart, some slinky silk lingerie and prepared to channel my inner Showgirl at this favourite sexy celebrity stopover.



Kylie with Spanish Squeeze, Andres Velencoso

Star Destination

Prague's high-culture history is most evident in its beautiful filo-like architecture as layer after layer of Baroque, Gothic and Belle Epoch buildings blend and merge to create a quite magical cityscape. But this historical hotspot is far from being stuck in the past. Although **Prague** has been pulling in the celebrities since musical maestros Mozart, Beethoven and Chopin were composing romantic symphonies for Russian Tsars and European Royalty, nowadays the beautiful and beguiling Prague is a dynamic global city attracting stars of a different type, with everyone from the Clintons to Kylie swinging by to make sweet music.

Star Sanctuary

The hip hotel won't give out guest details but Kylie Minogue, and latin lover Andres

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I am a travel writer and regular blogger. I am also a loving wife, adoring auntie and devoted daughter - a footballer's daughter actually. Nowadays, being a soccer star's offspring brings a certain amount of kudos but unfortunately my father played in the days before a footballer's salary was the equivalent of the GDP of a developing country. I did however benefit from Dad's globetrotting adventures and celebrity status and was introduced to the finer things in life from a very early age. After spells in Scotland, South Africa and Texas, my parents settled in fabulous Hong Kong where, over the twelve years we that lived there, they hung out with sporting superstars like Muhammad Ali, Bobby Moore and George Best, partied with comedians Dave Allen and Billy Connelly, drank champagne with Lee Majors and Sammy Davis Junior and even appeared on the 80s most-loved maritime romcom, the Love Boat! These early experiences, of course, left me with an insatiable appetite for all things glamorous! And I've spent most of my adult life jet-setting around the world, ever hopeful of a glimpse of the glitterati. It is therefore my mission, with the help of my HELLO! blog to let you in on the secret locations where the stars love to stay, the glitzy hotels that they bed-down in and how you can follow in their alluring footsteps.

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Velencoso, have allegedly stayed at the **Buddha-Bar Hotel** in the past and are thought to have checked-in for a second time, a few weeks ago, during the pop princess' Aphrodite tour. Just like Kylie, the bijoux boutique is small but fashionable and elegant. Located just a few footsteps away from Prague's Old Town, the discreet retreat's entrance is hidden behind a humble historical facade making it ideal for A-list guests to slip in and out of, and giving it an instantly illicit feel.



Inside, the lobby conveys the glamour that lies ahead. The dark wood and red leather check-in area is overlooked by a large lemon-lit Buddha, the sweet scent of incense floats in the air while the famous Buddha-Bar soundtrack plays peacefully in the background. Guests are welcomed with mouth-watering cocktails from the kitsch but cool **Siddarta Cafe**, before being whisked upstairs in a space age elevator to one of the hotel's deliciously decadent rooms. Shadowy and chic, cosmopolitan and quirky the Buddha-Bar concept rocks a seriously mischievous vibe and with an A-list celebrity fans that includes **Cameron Diaz**, Matt Damon and Kanye West, I couldn't help but feel special.

The Siddarta Cafe

Star Treatment

The Buddha-Bar Hotel was clearly designed as a place for some A-list lovin' so the Star Treatment here is all about indulging in one of the fabulous flirtatious rooms. After walking down a corridor so dark you would probably walk past your own mother, never mind a celebrity co-guest, we entered our gorgeous room. It didn't disappoint! Inside lay a red-hot haven of oriental opulence, sumptuously styled with lashings of red and black lacquer, sensual scarlet drapes, a huge heavenly bed and mood-inducing lighting. Also included was an extensive bar with a drawer full of **champagne** for those romantic moments when nothing but bubbles will do.



Suite at the Buddha-Bar Hotel, Prague

A very sexy bathing experience was also on hand as the blissful bathroom was kitted out with plenty of lush **L'Occitane** amenities, black bathrobes, raunchy rain showers and a bathtub big enough for two (or more, if that's your thing!) We loved the way that music was pumped throughout the room and my hubby especially impressed by the fact that he could watch a concealed Bang and Olufsen television in the bath. The top suites also have jacuzzi baths and outdoor terrace space.

After sampling the in-room opulence, guests can sip cocktails, eat fusion-cuisine and hide in dark corners downstairs in the sleek, celebrity-frequented Buddha-Bar and Restaurant.

Star Style

When the rooms as seductive as these, it's best make sure that you have some suitably sexy attire.

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