

9 of Australia's most incredible luxury hotels to stay at once in your life

Domestic travel doesn't have to be drab. Here are a few of our favourite spots to get away in style.

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Longitude 131 in the Northern Territory. Picture: Supplied

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Whether you leave it to a professional or indulge in the process, there's nothing better than arriving at the perfect [hotel](#) after a long flight. And while unpacking and watching the sun rise over

the [Amalfi Coast](#) would be nice right now, it isn't a 2020 reality. Enter, Australia's best local luxury hotels.

As a country of unbounded beauty and some of the world's most exquisite interior designers, it's no secret we have a whole cache of untapped luxury hotels to rival Europe and Asia — and the jet lag isn't included. From city digs that prove a pretty base for exploring, to resorts and retreats which will relax even the most stressed out of workers, we have it all. Below, we've rounded up our favourites.

[Saffire Freycinet, TAS](#)

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Off the beaten track and immersed in nature, a trip to the stunning Coles Bay isn't complete without a stay at Saffire. With 20 luxury suites, the hotel is known for its picturesque outlook and seamless service, both requirements of a relaxing holiday. Romantic and untouched, book into Saffire for a taste of Tasmania's best.



The view off Lizard Island. Picture: Supplied

[Lizard Island Resort, QLD](#)

As the only hotel on one of Australia's most beautiful islands, a trip to Lizard Island is unforgettable. Located on the northernmost tip of the Great Barrier Reef, a stay on Lizard Island is a gateway to the stunning World Heritage area. And while diving and snorkelling are key activities, sunning on a private deck and indulging in the on-site restaurant are among the alternative ways to pass time. Not exactly hard, you'll soon find. Note, Lizard Island is reopening in December 2020 following the coronavirus.



Bullo River pool in Western Australia. Picture: Bullo River

[Bullo River Station, WA](#)

A working cattle station turned luxury hotel, Bullo River Station in the Kimberly in Western Australia is an experience in itself. Proving rugged cattle life can also be luxurious, Bullo River manages to blur the lines between Australian-esque safari and relaxation. From drinking Australian wines by the pool to exploring the Kimberly via 4WD, there's something for everyone.



The view from Jackalope in Victoria. Picture: Supplied

[Jackalope, VIC](#)

Set upon a breathtaking winery and winner of too many design awards to count, Jackalope is the Mornington Peninsula's chicest getaway. Whether you're coming from Melbourne or flying from

interstate, Jackalope's cool design is one to look forward to — and the in-house restaurant, Doot Doot Doot and resident spa will have you unwinding within the hour. Add in a glass of wine overlooking that magnificent view and you're set.

[Qualia, QLD](#)

For fans of white beaches and turquoise water, Qualia's inclusion on this list probably won't come as a surprise. But for those who haven't already visited, there's no better time than while international tourists are paused. Boasting sweeping views out over the Whitsundays, Qualia's laid back design and breathtaking natural beauty are a winning combination, and one worth experiencing at least once.



Emirates One & Only Wolgan Valley. Picture: Supplied

[Emirates One & Only Wolgan Valley, NSW](#)

Despite being just two hours from Sydney, Emirates One & Only Wolgan Valley at the base of the Blue Mountains delivers remote luxury in spades. A serious bucket list stay, indulge in your own private plunge pool and wake up with kangaroos outside your bedroom, followed by pilates by Fluidform on the balcony. Breathtaking views, understated luxury and total privacy: what more could one want?

[Sal Salis, WA](#)

Probably as remote as you'll get without sacrificing on comfort, Sal Salis on Western Australia's Ningaloo Reef is one for the adventurous. Completely eco friendly with a minimal environmental footprint, Sal Salis is made up from a collection of luxe tents right on the reef. The days can either be filled with activities (like swimming with the nearby whale sharks) or spent unwinding on the stunning coastline. You choose.

[Longitude 131°, NT](#)

One of Australia's most incredible hotel experiences, Longitude 131° is located right at the base of Uluru in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. An eco lodge with a focus on the local indigenous

community, guests sleep in tentlike cabins and experience a taste of Aboriginal culture as part of their stay. And of course, the best view in the area is right at the doorstep.



Pretty Beach House on the central coast. Picture: Supplied

[Pretty Beach House, NSW](#)

Intimate and exclusive, Pretty Beach House combines the best of its beachside location with all the serenity of living atop the trees. Located in a charming and quiet spot above, you guessed it, Pretty Beach, this all-inclusive stay features a personal chef and tailored activities. And with the location being just outside the Sydney city limits, it won't take long to feel completely relaxed.