

PHUM BAITANG
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Travel news

This month, we celebrate two richly historical destinations, from a romantic Italian villa to a sacred sanctuary beside the Cambodian temples of Angkor

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TRAVEL TIPS



DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT...

Church's has designed the ideal in-flight footwear, including a handy pouch that you can easily tuck into your hand luggage. These supple leather mules are comfortable enough to lounge around in, yet still maintain your style credentials – so you can keep your fluffy favourites at home and under wraps.

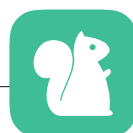
Air travel loafer pack, £125, Church's, 133 New Bond Street, W1S (020 7493 1474; church-footwear.com)

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Long Haul

Phum Baitang, Cambodia

Zannier Hotels has opened its first Asian five-star resort in Cambodia, which provides the ultimate haven for those keen to explore Southeast Asia in style. Phum Baitang is ideally positioned near to the temples of Angkor and Phnom Kulen National Park, however it is known as 'The Green Village' because its gentle ambiance suggests a location many miles from the bustling capital, Siem Reap. The private villas, nestled contentedly into the luscious surrounding foliage and lemongrass plantations, are made up of rustic materials and natural, muted tones. They are also equipped with the latest technology – however we highly recommend switching off and soaking up the spiritual entertainment that can be found in the surrounding wonders – this is simple, divine luxury.

(phumbaitang.com)



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IL SALVIATINO

Short Haul

Il Salviatino, Italy

Set spectacularly in the Fiesole hillside, Il Salviatino is a restored Renaissance villa that offers unrivalled views of nearby Florence. The heritage of this magnificent building is integral to the experience: each of the 45 suites are designed individually with a focus on the original historical features, the signature restaurant prides itself on the use of its organic produce that is grown on site, and the in-house spa uses exquisite products from the established Florentine perfume house Dr Vranjes. For a truly unforgettable romantic treat, couples can enjoy a private performance by an operatic tenor, or take a bath in Champagne in what can only be called the ultimate bubble bath. Mamma mia!

(salviatino.com)

“Without new experiences,
something inside of us sleeps. The
sleeper must awaken.”

- Frank Herbert