

romantic stays

A romantic weekend away before the big day, or an unforgettable honeymoon destination. Spend a little quality time together in one of these luxury hotels

HILTON HOTEL SOUTH WHARF, MELBOURNE

2 **WHERE:** By the Yarra River in Melbourne's newest hot spot
ROMANCE BASICS: Spend the day cruising in a Mercedes Benz convertible as part of the Dream to Drive package. Whether you're keen to stay in the city or head further afield, the Hilton concierge will consult with you to create your perfect Melbourne itinerary. Spend a romantic weekend on wheels with a package that includes a night in a glamorous king bedroom suite overlooking the city, buffet breakfast and gourmet hamper, plus early check-in and late check-out,
How much? From \$895 per night for two. hiltonmelbourne.com.au



GRAND HOTEL TREMEZZO, ITALY

1 **WHERE:** On the shore of spectacular Lake Como, a one hour drive from Milan
ROMANCE BASICS: It's the lake where George Clooney spends his down-time, a sparkling gem with colourful towns dotted along its coastline. Grand Hotel Tremezzo graces the shores of Lake Como, a majestic 1910 property that's one of the region's oldest hotels. Recently renovated, the opulent Honeymoon Suite Maria features a four-poster bed that looks over the lake, a red marble bathroom, plus a private terrace to take in the view. The honeymoon package includes one dinner, breakfast daily and a romantic boat tour of the lake.

How much? From €1,160 for a three night stay. grandhoteltremezzo.com



PATHUMWAN PRINCESS, BANGKOK

3 **WHERE:** In the centre of downtown Bangkok surrounded by Bangkok's best shopping and entertainment facilities.

ROMANCE BASICS: A stay at the luxurious Pathumwan Princess is the perfect way to break up a long journey to a European destination, or the ideal start to a honeymoon in Thailand. Each of its 455 guest rooms and suites offer all the contemporary creature comforts you would expect of a five-star hotel while still staying true to Thai tradition. Make time to visit the Tantara Health Spa for a spot of R&R. With more than 60 pampering services and spa experiences on offer, you would be forgiven for not wanting to leave the hotel. However, with the hotel conveniently connected to the MBK shopping centre, and close to the upmarket Siam Paragon, a spot of shopping is a must! **How much?** From \$150 per night for a Superior Room. pprincess.com



THE STANDARD, LOS ANGELES

4 **WHERE:** In the heart of LA's historic Downtown district
ROMANCE BASICS: With its ping-pong club, rooftop pool and 24-hour room service, The Standard is the rock star of hotels; cool, sexy and a little bit outrageous. The large contemporary rooms feature retro platform beds, a shower big enough for two and city views. An onsite barbershop, nightly DJ set and photo-booth leave little opportunity for boredom. Close to the Walt Disney Concert Hall and Museum of Contemporary Art, it's an easy walk to LA's hip arts district.
How much? From US\$245 for a medium room. standardhotels.com

