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## NOT YOUR USUAL CHECK-IN



*Less rush, more wander*

Discover places that make slowing down look good.

# SECLUDED ESCAPES WORTH THE DETOUR

*Check in, switch off, and let the destination do the talking.*

*Some of the best journeys aren't the loudest ones. They don't come with packed itineraries, crowded landmarks or the rush of ticking off attractions. Instead, they lead to secluded escapes - tucked-away corners where the pace softens, the crowds thin out, and travel feels wonderfully unhurried.*

*Across India, travellers are slowly rediscovering the joy of destinations that invite you to pause rather than rush. Places where heritage streets, quiet landscapes and thoughtful hospitality come together to create experiences that feel deeply personal. These are not the kind of stays where you simply check in and check out - they're the kind that gently draw you into the character of the destination itself.*

*In Rajasthan, history adds a special charm to the experience. Think centuries-old neighbourhoods and forts where sandstone walls glow softly under the desert sun. Just a short distance from the vibrant energy of royal cities, these spaces offer an atmosphere of calm that feels worlds away from the bustle outside. Mornings begin slowly in sunlit courtyards, while evenings unfold over rooftop views as the sky turns shades of amber and rose.*

*Down by the coast, the mood shifts to something breezier and more relaxed. Charming seaside towns with their colonial-era architecture, bougainvillea-lined lanes and cafés tucked into heritage homes make for perfect slow-travel destinations. Here, days drift easily between beach walks, lazy brunches and wandering through colourful streets where every corner seems to carry a story from another era.*

*In the north, the outskirts of vibrant urban centres are quietly emerging as refreshing getaways. Just far enough from the rush of city life, these destinations offer travellers a chance to unwind without travelling too far. They're ideal for those looking to slip away for a few days - where comfort, calm surroundings and easy accessibility make the break feel effortless.*

*Further south, Kerala's lush landscapes create a completely different rhythm of escape. Palm-lined rivers, fragrant spice gardens and still backwaters set the scene for days that unfold slowly and naturally. It's the kind of setting where you trade busy schedules for quiet boat rides, lingering meals and long conversations by the water.*

*And not far from the capital, the rugged beauty of the Aravalli hills offers yet another version of retreat. Wide landscapes, timeless architecture and star-filled skies make the experience feel deeply restorative - a reminder that sometimes the most meaningful journeys are the ones where you simply step away.*

*Because in a world that rarely slows down, these secluded escapes offer something truly special - the chance to travel quietly, thoughtfully, and at your own pace.*

## NEW HOTEL OPENINGS

### Delhi House, Pondicherry

Where? Pondicherry

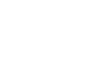


#### What is unique?

Tucked within the charming lanes of the French Quarter in Pondicherry, The Delhi House is a nine-suite boutique retreat designed for travellers who appreciate calm, character, and thoughtful hospitality. Located just steps from Sri Aurobindo Ashram, the house sits in the city's spiritual quarter, offering a rare blend of cultural immersion and quiet comfort. The property reflects understated elegance through bespoke furniture, handcrafted elements, and warm, natural textures that lend every space a sense of ease. A striking entrance mural introduces the artistic spirit of the home, while the intimate reception lounge sets a relaxed tone from the moment you arrive. Rooms are spacious and uncluttered, with soft lighting and curated details that encourage slow living. A leafy rooftop sit-out offers a tranquil pause above the town, perfect for morning coffee or sunset conversations. With just nine suites and lift access across all floors, the house maintains an atmosphere of privacy while ensuring effortless convenience.

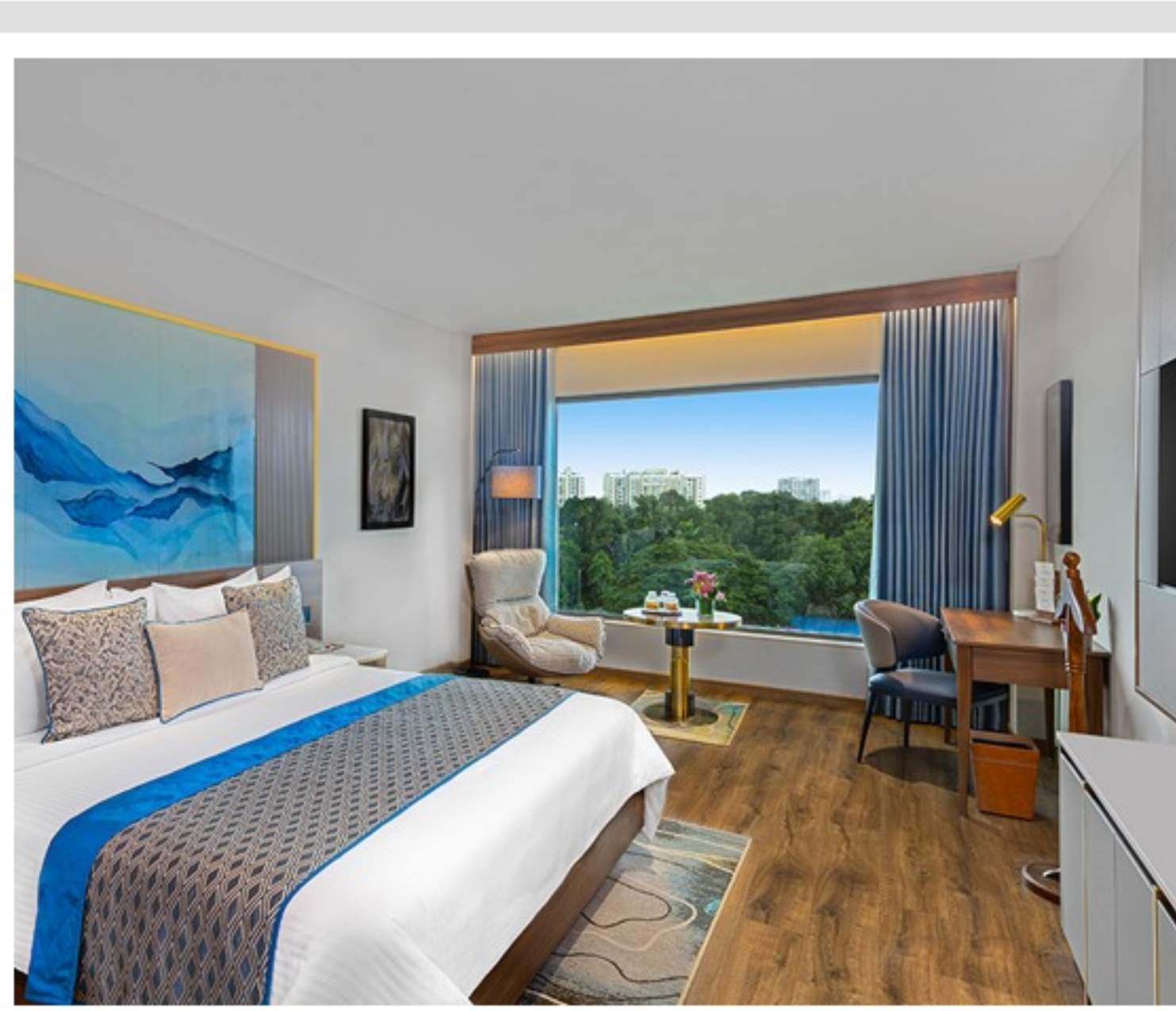
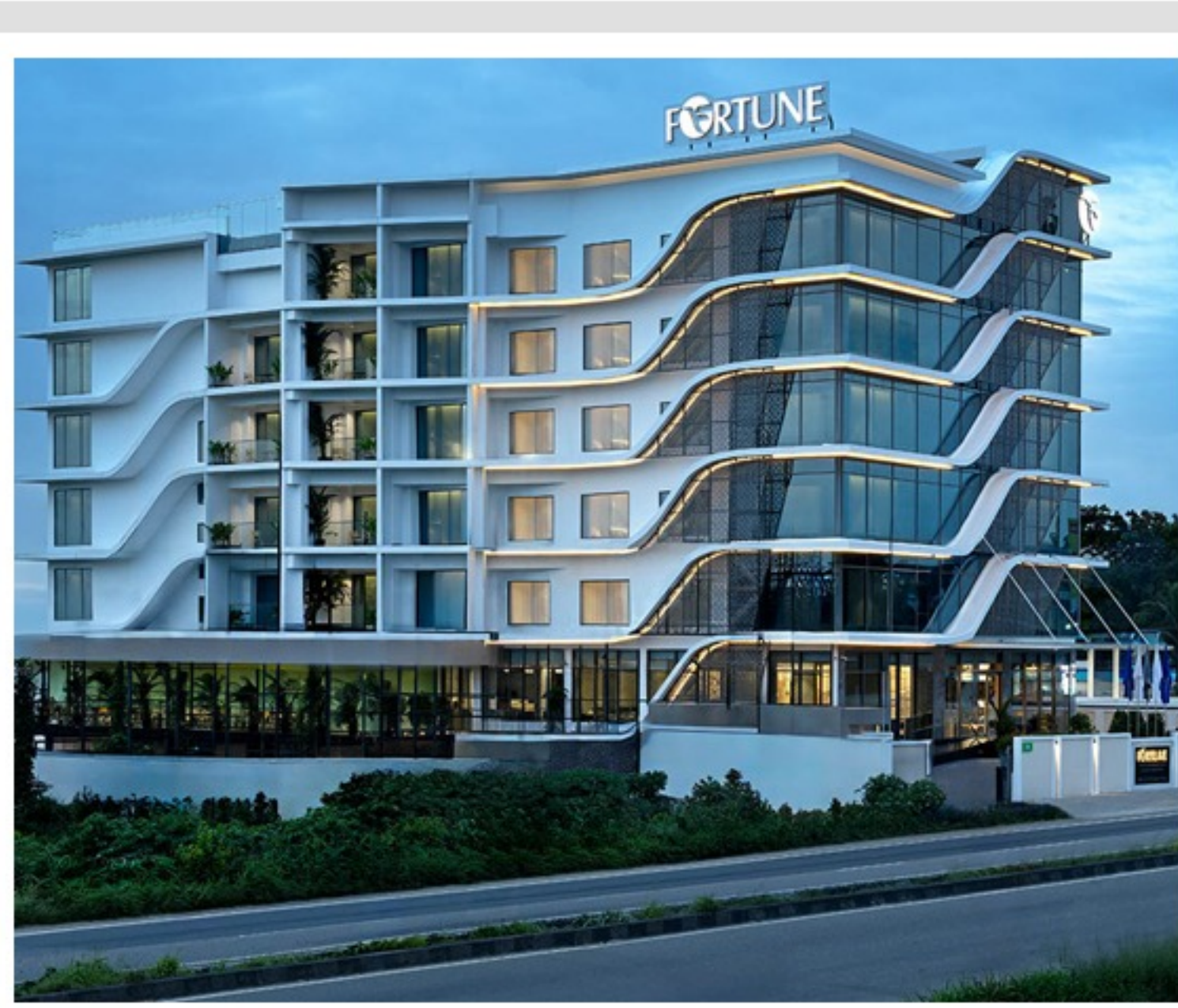
#### Why Choose Delhi House, Pondicherry ?

The Delhi House if you seek a stay that feels personal, peaceful, and deeply connected to its surroundings. The intimate scale ensures attentive hosting, with tailored suggestions for heritage walks, wellness experiences, and meaningful explorations of Pondicherry's culture. Mornings begin quietly with in-room breakfast served at your own pace, allowing the day to unfold gently. While the house maintains a private residential feel, guests are moments away from celebrated cafés such as Bread & Chocolate and Dilliwaala6. Its central location also places the promenade and heritage streets within easy walking distance, making it an ideal base for mindful travellers who prefer exploration without rush.



### Fortune Airport Road Kochi

Where? Ernakulam, Kochi, Kerala



#### What is unique?

Fortune Airport Road Kochi enjoys a strategic location just minutes from Cochin International Airport, making it an effortless choice for both transit travellers and business visitors. With easy access to key commercial hubs such as Edappally, Kalamassery, Kakkanad and Angamaly, the hotel offers excellent connectivity to Kochi's corporate districts while keeping the cultural heart of the city within reach. The property houses 72 well-appointed rooms and suites featuring contemporary interiors and expansive windows that frame calming green city views. Dining experiences are equally distinctive. Zodiac, the all-day restaurant, serves global cuisines with alfresco seating overlooking lush surroundings. Fortune Deli tempts guests with freshly baked pastries, breads and light bites, while Nakshatra, the rooftop restaurant with an interactive kitchen, presents Italian classics alongside modern Indian curries in a relaxed open-air setting.

#### Why Choose Fortune Airport Road Kochi?

The hotel offers the ideal balance of accessibility and comfort, making it particularly suitable for travellers with tight schedules or short stays. Spacious accommodation, thoughtful in-room amenities and warm hospitality create a relaxed environment after a busy day of meetings or sightseeing. For corporate guests, the property features versatile meeting spaces spanning over 200 sq. metres, along with boardrooms designed for smaller discussions. Leisure travellers can unwind with facilities such as a spa and fitness centre, while the hotel's location allows convenient access to Kochi's highlights – from the markets of Ernakulam to the historic waterfront and iconic Chinese fishing nets of Fort Kochi.



### Zero Degree Munnar

Where? Munnar, Kerala



#### What is unique?

Set within the lush expanse of Letchmi Estate, Zero Degree Jungle Resort Munnar offers an immersive plantation stay surrounded by sweeping green gardens and mist-draped hills. Unlike traditional hillside hotels, the resort sits deep within one of Munnar's most scenic estates, allowing guests to experience the rhythms of a working tea landscape while enjoying uninterrupted valley views. The stay is defined by thoughtfully spaced independent cottages that blend natural surroundings with contemporary comfort. Large windows and private sit-outs frame the rolling green slopes, making the outdoors an integral part of the living experience. A standout feature is the resort's dramatic infinity pool overlooking the estate—perfectly positioned to create the illusion of merging with the endless tea-covered hills. Select accommodations elevate the experience further with private pool villas, offering secluded spaces to unwind amid tranquil plantation scenery.

#### Why Choose Zero Degree Munnar?

The hotel delivers a seamless blend of contemporary comfort and regional character. Dining experiences highlight diverse culinary expressions—from all-day meals at WelcomCafe Sukhnaa to artisanal bakes and coffee at Dough & Co., and relaxed evening moments at Swizzle. The upcoming Kebabs & Kurries promises a celebration of Northwest Frontier and Awadhi traditions, served alongside striking rooftop views. Whether visiting for business engagements, social celebrations, or a short city escape, the property's well-appointed accommodations, versatile venues, and distinctive dining venues create a stay that feels both connected to the destination and effortlessly refined.



### Naila Fort, An Oberoi Luxury Residence, Jaipur

Where? Jaipur, Rajasthan



#### What is unique?

Set against the rugged backdrop of the Aravalli Mountain Range, Naila Fort, An Oberoi Luxury Residence offers an exceptionally private heritage retreat just beyond the cultural bustle of Jaipur. Built in 1849 by the Champawat clan, the fort has been thoughtfully restored into an exclusive four-bedroom residence, where historic character meets refined contemporary comfort. Original architectural details—arched corridors, domed turrets, carved niches and marble floors—blend with antique furnishings, curated artworks and warm Rajasthani textiles. Sunlit courtyards, manicured lawns and elegant salons create a sense of space rarely found in traditional palace stays. The residence can only be reserved in its entirety, ensuring complete privacy for guests. Personalised hospitality by The Oberoi Group further enhances the experience, allowing stays to unfold at an unhurried, deeply personal pace.

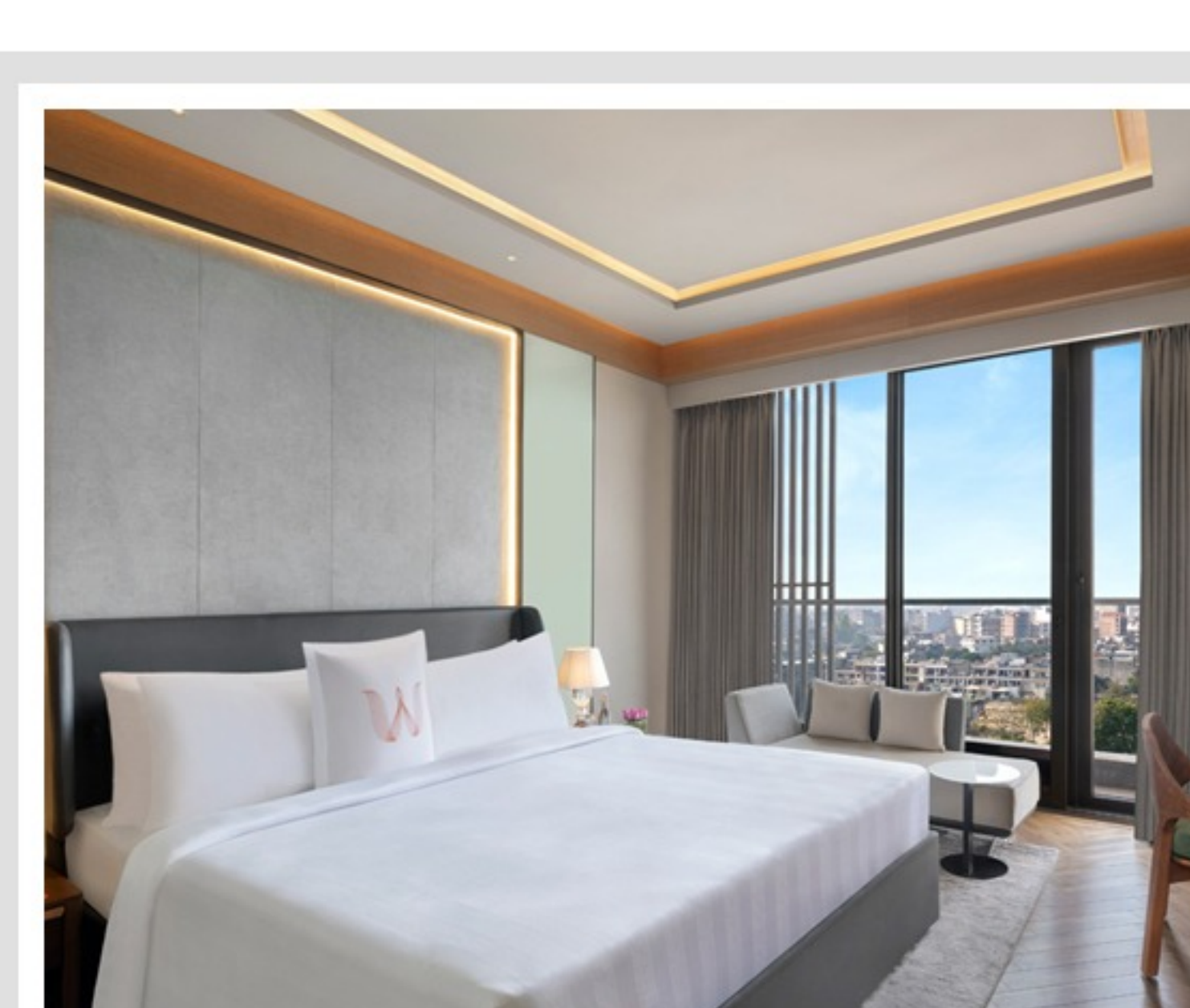
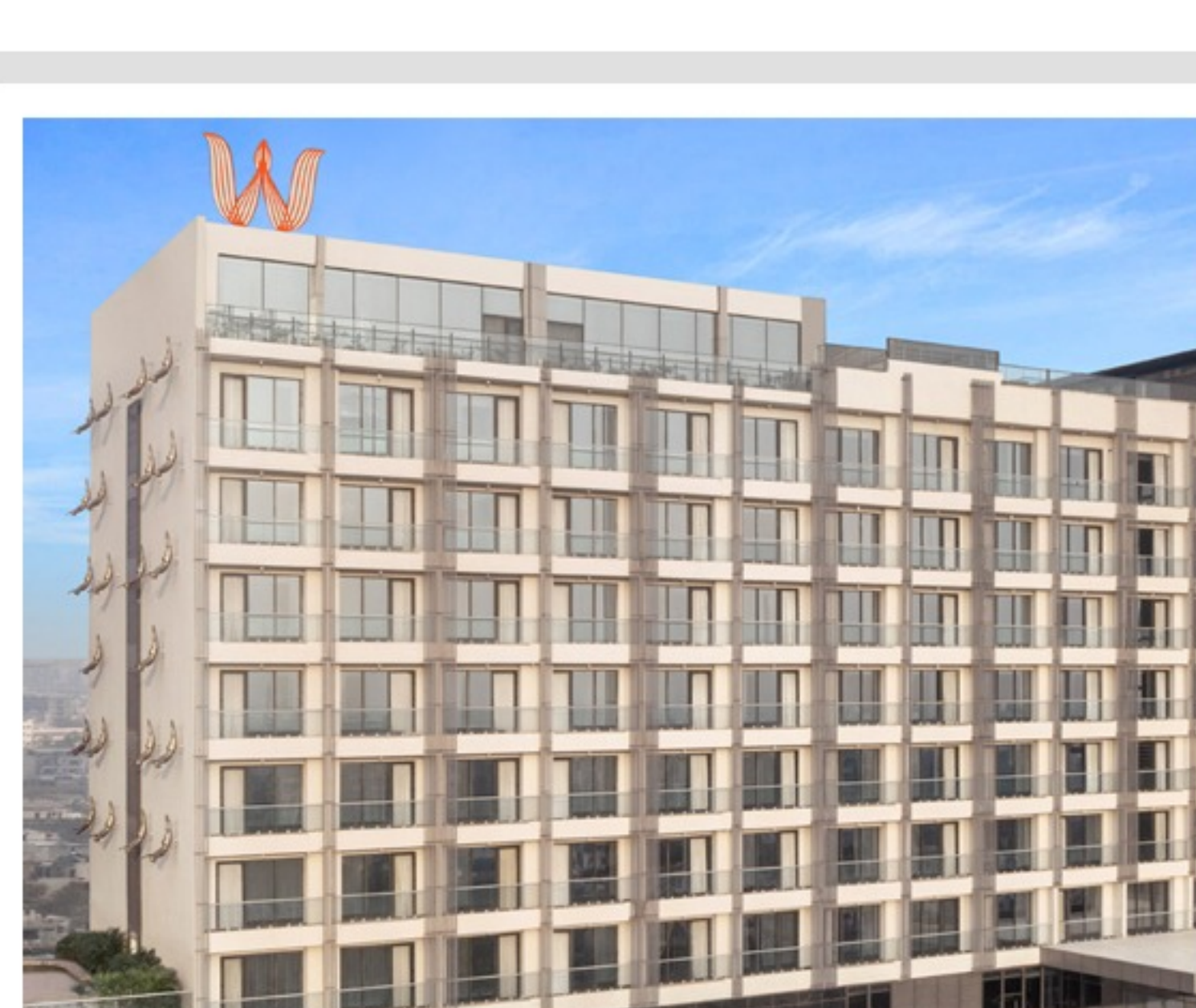
#### Why Choose Naila Fort, An Oberoi Luxury Residence, Jaipur?

Naila Fort offers a level of exclusivity that feels closer to residing in a private royal estate than checking into a hotel. With just four individually designed rooms and a dedicated team anticipating every preference, each stay is shaped entirely around its guests. Dining is a defining part of the experience. Oberoi chefs craft daily menus in consultation with guests, drawing from royal Rajasthani and Mughal traditions alongside refined international flavours. Meals unfold across atmospheric settings—an elegant gathering in Surya Mahal, a candlelit dinner beneath a richly decorated canopy. Each setting transforms a meal into a memorable occasion. Combined with tranquil gardens, sweeping countryside views and seamless access to Jaipur's palaces and bazaars, the stay reflects understated yet unmistakable luxury.



### Welcomhotel By ITC Hotels Mohali, Chandigarh

Where? Mohali, Punjab

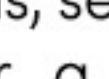


#### What is unique?

Welcomhotel By ITC Hotels Mohali, Chandigarh enjoys a strategic location at the gateway to the Tricity Chandigarh, Panchkula and Mohali—placing guests close to the region's commercial hubs and the Chandigarh International Airport. The hotel balances business efficiency with urban leisure, complemented by panoramic city vistas and proximity to CP67 Mall. Accommodation ranges from thoughtfully designed Deluxe and Superior Rooms to expansive suites. Executive Club Rooms feature a studio-style layout with a kitchenette and workspace, while the Presidential Suite elevates the stay with sweeping skyline views, formal dining, and a marble bathroom with dual vanities and a rain shower. Social and corporate gatherings are supported by adaptable event venues, while an infinity pool and rooftop settings introduce a refreshing leisure dimension to the stay.

#### Why Choose Welcomhotel By ITC Hotels Mohali, Chandigarh?

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## Amanbagh, Alwar, Rajasthan



In the quiet folds of Rajasthan's Aravalli Hills lies Amanbagh – a secluded garden retreat that feels wonderfully removed from the rush of the world. Once the staging ground for royal tiger hunts, this lush garden oasis is now all about the opposite energy – stillness, space and the simple joy of slowing down. Rose-hued domes, Mughal-style arches and leafy courtyards rise from the greenery, giving the retreat the feel of a palace that decided to take life a little less seriously and enjoy the view instead.

Life here unfolds gently. Mornings might begin with a quiet walk through the gardens or a yoga session as the desert light slowly spills across the hills. Afternoons are best spent doing very little – lounging by the long emerald pool, wandering through fruit orchards, or simply settling into a shaded corner with a book and a cup of tea. It's the sort of place where the clock quietly stops being the most important thing.

Amanbagh also opens the door to a quieter side of Rajasthan. A short drive away lies the legendary ruins of Bhangarh, a deserted 17th-century town steeped in folklore. Exploring the countryside here is refreshingly simple. Hop into a jeep, cycle through nearby villages, or ride out on a camel as the golden evening light settles over fields and grazing cattle. You might stop for chai in a village home, hike up to an old hilltop fort for sunrise views, or even head out to the nearby Sariska Tiger Reserve for a chance to spot wildlife in its natural habitat.

And when it comes to unwinding, Amanbagh leans beautifully into wellness. The spa draws on traditional Ayurvedic therapies, personalised treatments and calming rituals designed to restore balance. Think sunrise meditation at ancient forts, yoga sessions surrounded by gardens, or deeply relaxing massages that melt away any lingering city stress. It's wellness without fuss – simple, grounding and deeply restorative.

By the time evening rolls around, Amanbagh returns you to its quiet magic – perhaps with a candlelit dinner under the stars or a peaceful walk through softly lit gardens. It fits the spirit of Not Your Usual Check-In perfectly: less rush, more wander, and plenty of reasons to slow down and stay a little longer.



**Contact Your Relationship Manager For Bookings!**

# The Spirit of Romance at Evolve Back Resorts



Some escapes are designed to pause, breathe, and simply be. At Evolve Back Resorts, this is not a marketing theme—it is a carefully protected philosophy. In this candid reflection, Thomas Ramapuram, Director- Sales, Evolve Back Resorts, shares how the brand's unwavering commitment to privacy, intimacy and immersive experiences continues to shape its vision for the future.

*Thomas Ramapuram  
Director - Sales, Evolve Back Resorts*

Evolve Back was envisioned and designed by my uncle, George T. Ramapuram. As a second-generation family member, I have been given the immense privilege of taking this brand forward. My vision is to protect the sanctuary my family built, ensuring it remains a world-class resort for those seeking true romantic intimacy.

## The Luxury of Silence: A Hard Decision

One of the defining moments in our journey was a business decision that might sound unusual to many in the industry. We realized early on that you cannot serve a loud corporate group and a honeymooning couple simultaneously without compromising the experience of one. To protect the serenity of our guests, we made the difficult choice to say no to crores worth of corporate group business.

At Evolve Back, you will find no DJs, no discos, and no loud conferences. We took this stand because when a couple is enjoying a quiet, candlelit dinner, they deserve silence and privacy. By focusing exclusively on couples and families, we have preserved an atmosphere of calm that is increasingly rare in hotels today.

## Private Pool Villas at Evolve Back Resorts

Whether it is the Lily Pool Villas in Coorg or the Pool Huts in Kabini—we have always prioritized the needs of couples. My uncle pioneered the private pool concept. These villas are designed as private sanctuaries allowing couples to focus entirely on each other.

## Romance for two: Intimate Dining Beyond the Restaurant

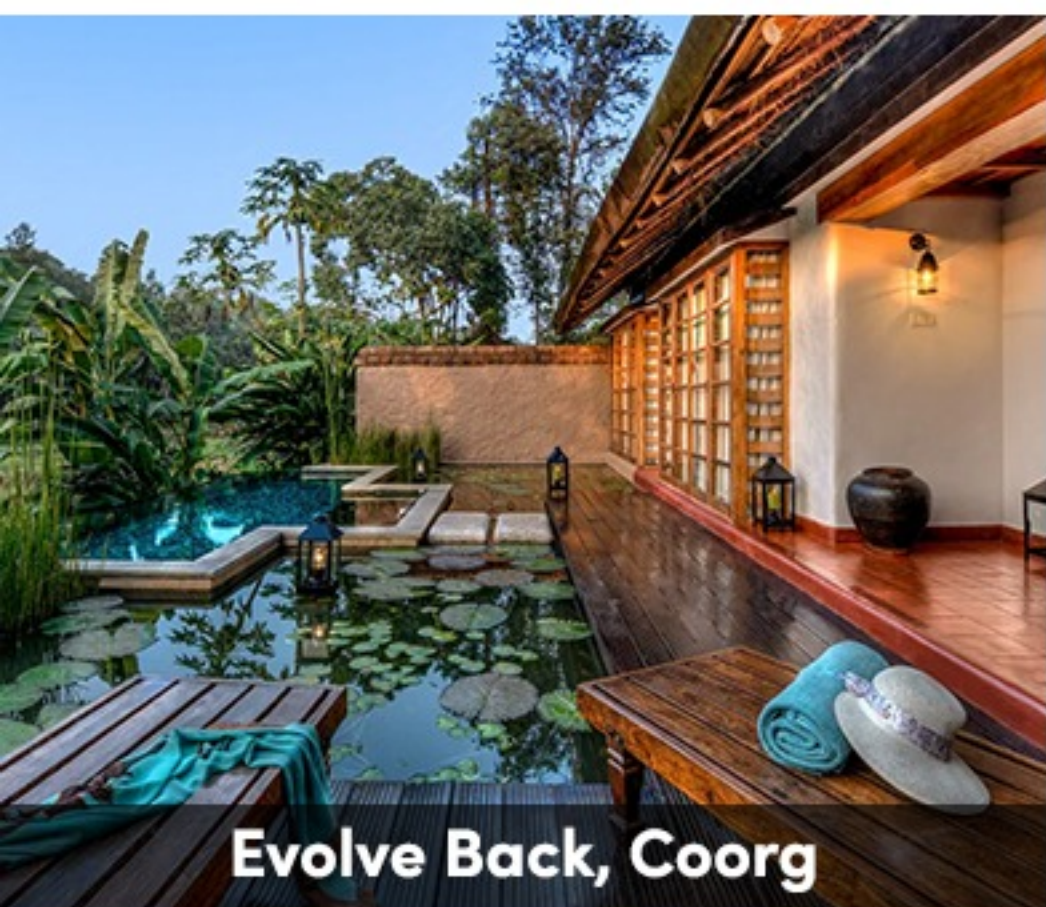
Our 'Romance for Two' private dining experiences takes guests to the most exotic corners of our resorts, away from the traditional restaurants. Whether it is an elevated treetop in Coorg, a country boat floating on the River Kabini, or a royal setting amidst the boulders of Hampi - Each experience features a personal chef, candle lights and five-course menus with live cooking.

## The Spirit of the Land: Private and Immersive Experiences

For those who have visited us, you know that our "Spirit of the Land" philosophy lies at the heart of our operations. Whether it is the Elk Hill mountain top experience at Coorg, private guided visits to the historic monuments of Hampi, or the "Spirit of Kabini" visit to the local Hadi (tribal village), our focus is on private tours. We ensure that families and couples spend quiet, quality time with each other while learning about the tribal lifestyle of the Kadu Kuruba or the royal history of Hampi.

## The Vision Ahead

As I look to the future, I would like to continue the exceptional work started by the generation before me. While we constantly innovate to ensure our guests receive nothing but the best, we will stick to our core values of honesty, integrity, and a priority to God. With our upcoming projects in Mandu, the Maldives, and beyond, I hope to make Evolve Back a global benchmark for luxury.



Evolve Back, Coorg



Evolve Back, Hampi



Evolve Back, Kabini