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Your favourite small and secret hotel?

On the Queen Charlotte walking track in the Marlborough Sounds, New Zealand, is The Bay of Many Coves. You can go kayaking, see dolphins and pick mussels. It's perfect to immerse yourself in nature'

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HOLISTIC-LIVING ENTREPRENEUR WHO TURNED .

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A great little find away from the crowds?

'Rineia, a tiny island off Mykonos. It's uninhabited, besides the goats, so it is a haven for flowers and plants – a botanical paradise. There are lots of coves and deserted beaches, and it's hard to believe that somewhere so quiet could exist so close to such a bustling, busy and vibrant a place as Mykonos.'

An organisation that's making the world a better place?

'The Green School in Ubud, Bali. It does amazing work in education, instructing the next generation about sustainability in ways that gives them purpose and independence. They have big goals and want to think about the world as a community where we each play a role in helping to shape the future – they're teaching children to be change-makers.'

If you could have one feast right now?

'The first warm weeks of spring in the UK herald the arrival of some of the year's best ingredients. I love all the spring greens, so it would have to be somewhere that celebrates and showcases the British larder beautifully. I've known Tom Kitchin for years, and the ethos and cooking at his Edinburgh restaurant The Kitchin reflect his passion for seasonal produce that is sourced and prepared very carefully. It's modern British food, with a hint of a French influence – and one of my favourite places to eat.'

Your favourite small and secret hotel?

'Gora Kadan, about two hours by train from Tokyo, near Hakone. It was the summer villa of the imperial family before it was transformed into an inn in 1952. The rooms are decorated in traditional style with tatami mats and several have open-air baths.'

Your loveliest travel experience?

'Making travel sustainable has got to be a key focus for the future. ladmire all that the 1Hotels group stands for – it's seeking to offer a wonderful stay without impacting the environment. Visit 1Hotel ³rooklyn Bridge for culture and a slice of fast-paced New York living, and South Beach in Miami for deep relaxation and sunshine.'



SERENA COOK

ORIGINATOR OF IBIZA FIXERS DELICIOUSLY SORTED AND ARGUABLY THE BEST-CONNECTED WOMAN ON THE ISLE

One thing you've never told anyone about your travels?

'I opened a restaurant in Bogotá, Colombia, when I was 21. It was called Odeón and served Mediterranean food in La Candelaria, the beautiful colonial quarter, which was fascinatingly bohemian. I had never interacted with so many creatives. Gloria, my chef, was also 21 and I taught her my recipes. This was in 1995, when I had my third year out from Hispanic studies at Bristol. I kept it going until 1998, at which point it got too dangerous and I sold the place. I look back on it now and think ignorance is true bliss! Also, my parents clearly didn't read the international section of the newspapers.'

The best shop?

'More than 10 years ago I was buying fabrics in Mapusa in Goa and asked the owner of the shop if he knew a tailor. This shy young man named Vitoba Satoskar appeared, who barely spoke English. I gave him a ton of clothes and mimed for him to copy them. Seven days later I had a new wardrobe, really well stitched, as corroborated by my designer friends. The last time I saw him, he said: "This woman changed my life." It took me a few seconds to realise he meant me. Now he makes clothes for many shops and international travellers, and has a workshop, Super Tailor, with a team of three.'

SIMONE GIBERTONI

THE CLINIQUE LA PRAIRIE CHIEF WANTS TO BRING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO THE FUTURE OF WELLNESS

Your evergreen staycation spot?

'My hometown, Modena. It's becoming one of the trendiest cities in Italy, thanks to Massimo Bottura and his Osteria Francescana. The New York Post called it "the unexpected Italian capital of fine food and fast cars".'

Most memorable view?

'Le Deck restaurant in Chexbres is suspended above the shores of Lake Geneva. It offers one of the most peaceful panoramas in the world. I love bringing my friends from Asia to that spot when they come here, because it's like Switzerland's dream landscape – their expectations are always exceeded!'

Your trusted suitcase brand?

'A SAC A DEPECHES FROM HERMÈS –
I'VE HAD THEM FOR 20 YEARS. THE MORE
THEY AGE, THE BETTER THEY BECOME'

A song that reminds you of holidays?

'I almost always listen to jazz. It's characterised by swing and blue notes, call-and-response vocals, poly-rhythms... It's like a good trip – full of beauty and improvisation.'

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