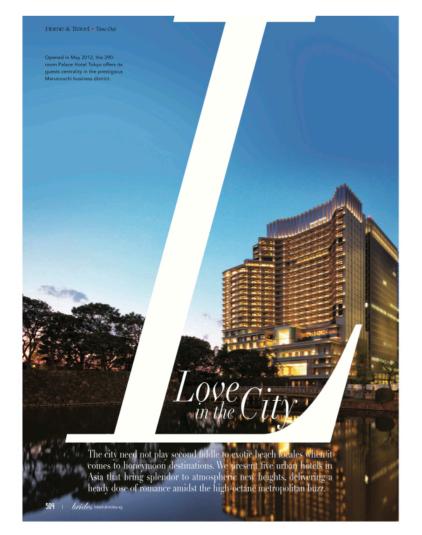
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any honeymoons involve powder-white sand, palm trees, turquoise seas and a majestic sunset. Yet, those of us less keen to get a tan are no less spoilt for choice – these city escapes fit the bill for some equally indulgent luxury (minus the sunburn), all the while keeping you entertained with a cornucopia of wining, dining and shopping experiences.



(Clockwise from left) The leafy carpet motifs and earthy colour palettes of Palace Hotel Tokyo invokes Tokyo's much-loved natural splendour; more than half of the hotel's rooms feature open terraces and balconies – a true rarity in Tokyo; the private dining room of the hotel's Palace Suite.

Palace Hotel Tokyo (Tokyo, Japan)

Ever dreamed of living in your very own castle, complete with a most and drawbridge?

While the Palace Hotel Tokyo is not exactly like the medieval castles of old, a charming moat surrounding the luxurious locale gives you enough reason to schedule in some romantic downtime to watch the world go by a you lie side-by-side with the love of your life.

Since its debut in 2012, and a luxurious \$1.2 billion revamp later, there's nary a major awards list that hasn't paid high homage to this leading hotel in Tokyo. Its design is achingly cool (think Zer) and boasts peerless amenities, such as an Evian spa – the first of its kind in Japan. Moreover, Michelins starred chefs are there to whip up sumptuous cuisine ranging from Japanese and Chinese to French, all in the interest of tantalising your tastebuds.

Beyond the posh rooms and the balconies, the glories of modern Japan are also within a stone's throw – from the Marunouchi Naka Dori, one of the city's premier shopping thoroughfares, to the beautiful 3.5 square kilometer Imperial Palace Gardens.