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*Robb Report Malaysia brings you urban
hotel rooms that offer a view and more.*

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This and facing pages: the 100 rooms and suites at Fullerton Bay Hotel offer guests stunning vistas of Singapore's cosmopolitan skyline.

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The Robinson Suite at The Fullerton Bay Hotel, Singapore

Commanding a 270-degree panorama of Marina Bay, this suite is named in honour of Sir William Robinson, a governor of the Straits Settlement from 1877 to 1879. The hotel, which is built over the water, is infused with the aesthetic genius of Andre Fu who was tasked to weave a design tapestry of Singapore's East-meets-West heritage within the lobby and restaurants. That touch of modern colonialism is burnished by lush olive, burnt orange and deep aubergine, headlined by a five-metre cylindrical chandelier from high and polished by a signature



welcoming tropical floral scent of jasmine, lilies, rose and sheer musk.

Inside the 100 guestrooms and suites, this sensory narrative is elaborated by Hong Kong-based

LCL Architects via polished rosewood furniture and fabric walls to recall the Occidental belle epoque. Inside the 78sqm Robinson Suite (from S\$1,260, RM3,900), the chinoiserie chic is portrayed by silk wall panels, oriental-themed prints and ceramic urns, while refinement is also present through Egyptian cotton linen and 100-per-cent goose down pillows and duvet.

The hotel's location in Singapore's commercial, cultural and entertainment precinct provides guests with access to

a diversity of artistic, shopping and dining pursuits.
www.fullertonhotels.com

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The Grey Garden Presidential Suite at The Franklin Hotel, London



The suites in The Franklin are ideal for long, luxurious stays in the heart of the capital. Facing page: savour authentic Italian cuisine at The Franklin Restaurant.

Doing grand justice to its SW3 postcode, the jewel in the crown of The Franklin Hotel is undoubtedly The Grey Garden Presidential Suite (from £2,500, RM13,900). Envisioned and designed by one of London's most in-demand interior designers Anouska Hempel, this opulent 63sqm suite's dramatic-yet-whimsical aesthetics give it the warmth and distinctive personality of a private townhome, right in the heart of Knightsbridge.

A four-poster wrought iron king-sized bed topped with Italian Frette linens stands tall in a light-filled bedroom, amid grand oak

floors, mirrored furniture with shagreen lining, and Rubelli velvet and taffeta accents. Look through the lofty Victorian windows onto the manicured lawns and flowerbeds of Egerton Gardens.

Penhaligon's bath amenities, GHD hair straighteners, Jensen telephones, and a pillow menu are some of the luxury comforts in the Presidential Suite. You won't have to venture far if you're in search of more extravagant amusements. The Franklin Hotel's marble-lined, crystal-doored hammam is dedicated to blissful relaxation sessions. www.thefranklinlondon.com

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Silver Suite at The Peninsula Beverly Hills

Last year, The Peninsula Beverly Hills celebrated its 25th anniversary with a new addition to its range of speciality suites – each of which is themed to a particular style and colour palette. As you breeze through the personable welcome at reception and stride out of its golden-hued elevators, you arrive at the 139sqm Silver Suite. This room, created in honour of its namesake anniversary, is a lavish rendition of mirrored walls reflecting the crisp white furnishing, rounded off with rich grey hues and silver

highlights. Guests will enjoy the custom touch of monogrammed pillows, an embroidered tea cosy and even a favourite selection of in-room music, streamed from radio stations around the world.

At The Peninsula, everything is taken to the next level with impeccable service from the doormen greeting you by name and the exceptional attention to details such as the Lissi Kaplan-designed fine European china tea set at The Living Room. Those checking into Silver Suite may opt for a special package – starting at





US\$10,000 (RM44,280) – which includes the keys to the new Rolls-Royce Dawn (naturally in silver). This latest model from The Peninsula’s long-standing automotive partner is yours for the duration of your stay, and is presented with bespoke driving itineraries crafted around routes such as Hollywood Boulevard and the Pacific Coast Highway.

This suite experience evokes Hollywood’s glamour, with the

Californian sun on terraces of lush foliage.

Guests wishing to escape the attention of the paparazzi may request for access via private entrances.

To dine, one may then head towards the recently remodelled Belvedere Terrace for all manner of gastronomic indulgences, where a laid-back chic belies the million-dollar artworks adorning its walls.

www.peninsula.com



The signature Belvedere restaurant serves Mediterranean-inspired dishes. Facing page: Silver Suite boasts an elegant combination of rich grey hues and subtle silver accents.

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Presidential Suite at The St Regis Macao, Cotai Central

Amid the kinetic buzz of Macau's Cotai Strip, a haven of immense luxury opens up the moment you step into the 477sqm Presidential Suite of The St Regis Macao (from HK\$28,488, RM16,250). Lounge on Asian-inspired furniture while soaking in the view of the Strip's manmade wonders. Three bedrooms, four bathrooms, a private entertainment and dining areas offer plenty of



roaming, while the Technogym-outfitted private exercise room offers fitness buffs relative privacy. A private massage room draws upon the expertise of therapists from the hotel's famed Iridium spa – known for its unique gemstone-inspired massages and treatments.

The perks of the property's impeccable butlers means that one need not go far or wait long for service. It took all of seven

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minutes for a pot of hot chocolate to materialise at 2.30am on a Friday morning, with pressing done in near record time – ideal for those transiting from the day’s activities to dinner reservations at Michelin-starred restaurants. Down at The Manor restaurant, one may ostensibly tuck into a delicious Hamachi tartare, with an overlay of mustard sorbet providing a pleasurable zest. A slow-cooked

The Verandah presents guests with the freshest bounty from the sea in a casual bistro-style. Facing page: the resplendent Presidential Suite is the epitome of ornamental opulence.

Wagyu beef rib undergoes a six-hour sous vide before it is finished in an oven for smoky aromas and a light crust. Other delicious options on its expansive menu include the Culatello di Zibello (Italian cured ham), Australian lobster sashimi, succulent Iberico lamb with a side of quinoa and the gigantic Hokkaido sea scallops, glazed with smoked chilli butter for an oriental twist. www.stregismacao.com