

An aerial photograph of a Balinese temple complex, likely Pura Besakih, featuring traditional thatched-roof buildings and a lush forest background. The sun is visible through the trees, creating a hazy, atmospheric effect. The word "amandari" is overlaid in white lowercase letters in the center of the image.

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Festive 2022 / 2023

Selamat datang!
Welcome to Amandari!

We are delighted to share the festive season with you on our Island of the Gods and know you will fall in love with our village, our culture and our beautiful landscapes as you make unforgettable memories with those you hold most dear.

Inspired by solar and lunar rituals – the radiance of day and night-time's gentle glow – we have curated a festive calendar that includes beloved holiday traditions from Indonesia and across the globe, all imbued with the warmth and generosity of Amandari's 'peaceful spirit'.

If you are interested in participating in any of the events across these pages, please contact our Guest Assistants who are dedicated to making every day of your stay as memorable as possible. Our team is also happy to assist with any special requests.

Wishing you a relaxed and joyful holiday season and a happy New Year!

Your Amandari Family





Gifts of Gratitude

This festive season, Amandari will donate gift boxes to children living in Kesayan I Kang Papa Orphanage who have very few material possessions and who will not receive any other gifts. Our aim is to bring joy into these children's lives, while providing a range of carefully thought-through gifts including educational, practical and fun items, as well as something to love.

If you would like to join us in brightening the smiles of these children on Christmas Day, we will have some boxes available at reception. Please feel free to place your own gifts inside. Donations towards the contents of these gift boxes or directly to the orphanage will also be much appreciated.

Please contact our Guest Assistants for more information.





A Brighter Future

Aman properties around the world are an integral part of the communities in which they are set, providing unique insight into the lives and needs of each community. At this time of year, when reflection and counting our blessings go hand in hand with reaching out to those less fortunate, we are pleased to be able to share our local initiatives.

Kesayan I Kang Papa Orphanage

In 1986, Kesayan I Kang Papa Orphanage opened with the mission of bringing hope to physically and mentally challenged children. Amandari conducted its first visit to the orphanage just after opening in 1988. Concern over the condition of the school and living areas spurred Amandari to become a sponsor. Over the years, funds raised have helped purchase bedding, furniture, educational aids, and medicine. Buildings have been maintained and fishponds built to provide a much-needed source of protein. But there is always more that can be done, and every donation contributes further to improving the lives of these special children.

Bapak Agung & Ibu Agung

Dance teacher Ibu Agung and her husband, music teacher Bapak Agung, have been part of the Amandari family for over 25 years. They come daily to the resort to teach the local children to dance and play music from 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm at the Lotus Pond Pavilion, next to the Restaurant. Each month, the children's parents are invited to attend their performances, encouraging the ongoing learning and passing down of these arts.

Guests are welcome to join in the dancing wearing traditional Balinese dress. Complimentary sarongs are provided in each suite.

Daily at Amandari

Alongside our festive schedule, Amandari is delighted to offer an array of bespoke experiences and activities inspired by the natural beauty and rich traditions of Ubud.

Nature & Adventure

Known for its forested volcanic mountains, tiered rice paddies and both black- and white-sand beaches, Bali has so much to offer in terms of natural landscapes, flora and fauna. Discover the iconic plants and wildlife that call this region home or set off on a white-water adventure down our backyard river. We offer a host of adventures and excursions taking full advantage of this natural wonderland.

Cultural Insights

Ubud is known as the cultural heart of Bali. Traditional housing complexes line the main streets and a temple, whether local or internationally recognised, is never too far away. Discover the unique lives of the Balinese people, their Hindu rituals and unique craftsmanship through tours or insightful activities.

Country Trekking

There are few more scenic ways to appreciate the beauty of Bali than with a trek through the countryside. Amandari's trained guides offer a variety of trekking experiences, ranging from one to four hours (or more). There are hills to navigate, rice terraces to scale and streams to cross. Let the guides know how much time you have and the level of exertion you want. Early morning before the sun gets too strong, and late afternoon when the shadows get longer and the light is golden, are the best times to go.

Morning Wellness Classes

8.00 am – 9.00 am in the garden

Start the day on the right foot with a complimentary group wellness class, be it yoga or meditation.

As per resort schedule

Aman Spa

A winding pathway leads through the gardens to the edge of a lotus pond, where our tranquil Spa rests in dappled light. Taking a holistic approach to wellness, therapies incorporate local healing ingredients to harmonise body and mind.

Gym

The Gym is set in a pavilion floating above a lotus pond, adjacent to the Spa.

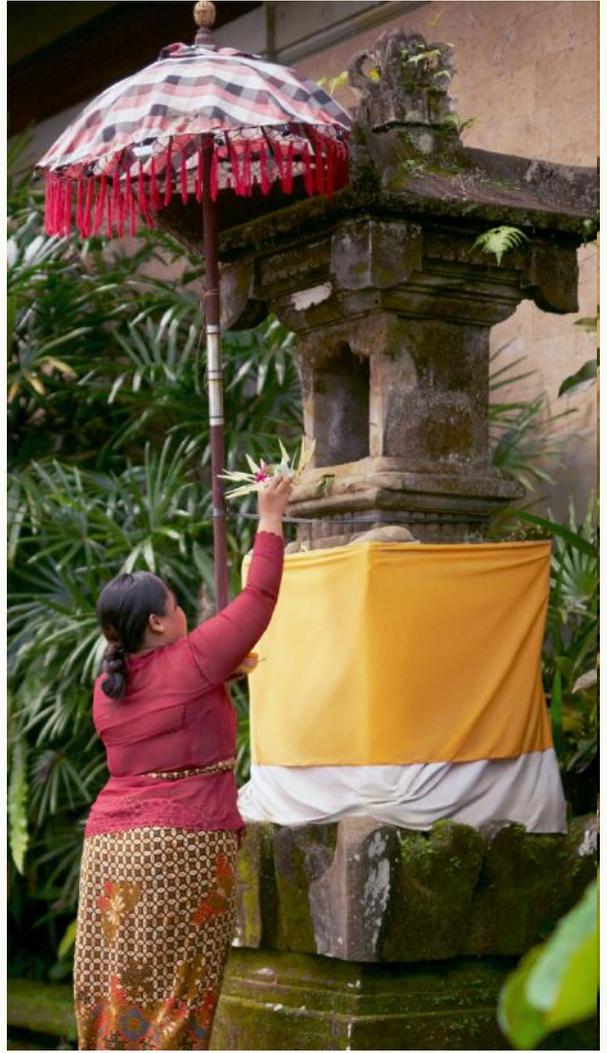
Tennis

Break a sweat at Amandari's tennis court, located next to the Spa. Our hard court is floodlit, to keep you hitting well after the sun sets. All equipment is provided and hitting partners are available if required.

Traditional Tea at the Poolside

4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Ibu Made and Ibu Wayan visit daily from our village, Kedewatan, with a selection of Balinese sweets and traditional tea and coffee for you to enjoy by the main pool. During this time, they will also share the secret to creating a simple Balinese offering made from natural ingredients.



Offering Circuit with Amandari Family
From 9.00 am at Amandari's Temple, Tiger
Statue and Padmasanas

Every morning, the women of Bali make simple offerings known as *canang sari*, which they place at stupas and spirit houses as a way of giving thanks to the Gods.

Join Ibu Lipet, our neighbour from the village, and your Amandari sisters as they set off on the daily routine, placing offerings at the various stupas around the resort.

Festive Season at Amandari

Date	Events	Curated Activities
24 Dec	Joyful Christmas Eve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooking for neighbours at Lotus Pond Pavillion • Gingerbread decorating at Upper Restaurant • Sunset cocktails and Christmas tree lighting • Dance by village children in the Lobby • Chef's Special Dinner
25 Dec	Christmas Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookie Decorating • Christmas Dinner
26 Dec	Art and Leisure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunset drinks • Art class
29 Dec	Art and Leisure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rice paddy experience • Kite making at Lotus Pond • Megibung dinner
30 Dec	Cultural Immersion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chocolate tour • Bonfire with hot chocolate/s'mores at Lotus Pond
31 Dec	New Year's Eve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canang sari workshop • Cupcake decorating • Balinese dance and gamelan performance by village children • Rindik performance • New Year's Eve Dinner • Music performance • Fire dance • Countdown to midnight and champagne toast
1 Jan	First day of the year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Year's Brunch



24 December

Cooking for Neighbours

From 11.00 am at the Lotus Pond Pavilion

An opportunity to give back, this complimentary 'cooking class' will have guests making a simple and traditional Balinese dish, such as 'Nasi goreng' or 'Nasi campur.' Once the dish is complete, we will package the food carefully and donate it to local villagers in need.

Gingerbread Decoration

From 2.00 pm at the Lotus Pond Pavilion

Invite your children to join our pastry chefs to decorate delicious gingerbread men cookies and then enjoy feasting on their creations.

Sunset Cocktails & Christmas Tree Lighting

From 5.00 pm at the Amandari Lobby & Bar

Join us for the ceremonial lighting of our Christmas Tree, accompanied by a delicious, freshly-made cocktail at sunset.

Dance Performance in the Lobby

From 6.30 pm

Enjoy a lively performance by the local village children, who will showcase their learnings and talents with a four-part show. Learning to dance is an important part of Balinese childhood and both children and their parents appreciate the children having the opportunity to perform.

Christmas Eve Dinner at the Restaurant

7.00 pm

Celebrate with a delicious set menu prepared by Amandari's Executive Chef. Dinner is accompanied by the sound of Rindik from the Golden Pavilion. Rindik is a traditional Balinese musical instrument made of bamboo.

Additional surcharge applies.

Pre-booking required.



CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER
A CHEF'S SPECIAL DINNER

ENTREE

Chicken Pesto Arancini

*Crispy Deep-fried Balls of Arborio Rice Stuffed with Chicken,
Pesto, Parmigiano-Reggiano & Mozzarella*

MAIN COURSE

Herb Roast Half Spring Chicken

Corn Purée, Grilled Baby Zucchini & Carrot, Demiglace

DESSERT

Pot De Crème

Crème Custard, Passion Fruit Coulis & Crushed Meringues

25 December

Christmas Cookie Decorating

From 2.00 pm at the Lotus Pond Pavilion

Christmas Dinner at the Restaurant

7.00 pm

Round off your Christmas Day with a delicious four-course set dinner including sesame crusted tuna and Australian prime rib eye.

Additional surcharge applies.

Pre-booking required.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

SOUP

Gazpacho

Chilled Tomato Soup, Cucumber, Croutons & Pesto

ENTREE

Sesame Crusted Tuna

Pickled Cucumber, Coriander Leaves, Pomelo & Avocado Purée

MAIN COURSE

Australian Prime Rib Eye

Potato Gratin, Asparagus, Tomato Cherry & Salsa Verde

DESSERT

Dark Chocolate Fondant

Served with Vanilla Ice Cream and Berry Compote



26 December

Cocktails from Brunch until Sunset

From 11.00 am, The Restaurant & Bar

Unlimited Bloody Mary and Mimosa cocktails will be served throughout the day, from brunch until sunset. Start with a delicious accompaniment to your brunch and enjoy a final drink at The Bar as the sun sets.

Kids Activity & Art Class

From 2.00 pm

Children will love spending a creative afternoon with a local Balinese artist, who will guide them in painting the scene of their choice.

Take residence at the Golden Pavilion, in your Suite or any other place of inspiration around the property. The canvas is yours to keep, and all paints and supplies are provided to complete your masterpiece.

AMANDARI BRUNCH

APPETISER

Dari low carb Salad

Tamarillo, avocado, poached egg, mesclun leaves

or

Gado Gado

Cabbage, long bean, egg, tofu, emping melinjo & peanut sauce

MAINS

Baked Egg

Tomato sauce, button mushrooms and choice of ham or sausage

or

Cinnamon French Toast

Berry compote & palm sugar sauce

or

Linguini Puttanesca

Handmade linguini pasta, tomato, garlic, capers, chili, parmesan & parsley

DESSERT

Exotic Fruit

Tropical fruit salad served with mango sorbet

or

Pisang Bakar

Nut crumble, coconut chip, palm sugar sauce & coconut ice cream



29 December

Rice Paddy Experience

From 10.00 am

Just before planting the rice, the paddies are flooded and ploughed. After planting – by hand and over several days – the yellow shoots of young rice begin to sprout. Two months later, the rice will have grown taller and turned green. When the stalks turn yellow again, the plants are mature and ready to harvest. At Amandari, farmers work the lands surrounding the resort. Join our village farmers to participate in the rice preparation and harvest – depending on the cycle, the jobs will differ, but each will offer you a hands-on insight into local life.

Kite Making

From 2.00 pm at the Lotus Pond Pavilion

Create a Balinese traditional kite and let it soar high above the Ayung River Gorge. This is a fun experience the whole family will enjoy!

Megibung Dinner

From 7.00 pm

Indulge in the Megibung Balinese Feast, with a menu inspired by the late King of Karangasem.

The evening starts with Balinese soup, followed by a diverse selection of traditional dishes including Babi Guling, Bebek Betutu, Nasi Sela and Sambals. The final touch is a platter of local fruit with Balinese sweets and sorbet.

MEGIBUNG DINNER, A BALINESE FEAST

APPETISER

Jukut Ares

Traditional Young Banana Stem Soup

MAINS

Salada Pusuh Biyu Batu

Tender Banana Blossoms with Savoury Turmeric Dressing

Sate Lilit

Minced Fish Fillet on Lemongrass Skewer

Udang Bakar

Grilled Freshwater River Prawn

Ayam Panggang Mebase Matah

Grilled Chicken with Shallot and Lemongrass Dressing

Babi Guling

Spit Roasted Suckling Pig

Bebek Betutu

Slow Smoked Young Balinese Duck Marinated in Local Spices

Lawar Urap

Blanched Vegetables with Grated Coconut and Spices

Nasi Payangan

Steamed Brown Rice From 'Single Origin Balinese Mansur Heritage Rice'

DESSERT

Klepon

Sticky Rice Dumplings with Palm Sugar Filling

Buah Segar

Seasonal Fresh Fruit and Mango Sorbet

Menus are subject to change based on seasonal availability of ingredients.

30 December

Chocolate Tour

From 10.00 am

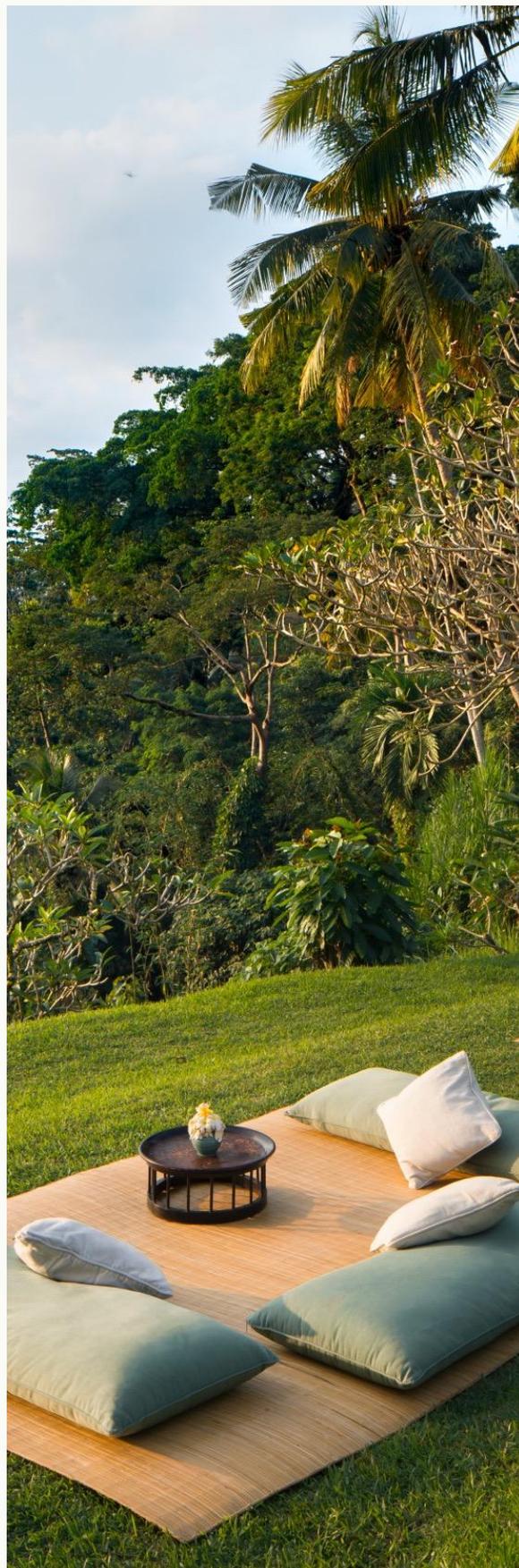
Chocolate is one of many important crops in Bali, and many cacao plantations and producers can be found on the island. Join the Chocolate Tour to gain insight into the process of getting the chocolate from plant to product, try your hand at creating your own chocolate bar and return to the resort with a sweet treat.

Transfers are included; experience lasts 2.5 hours, with 30-minute transfers each way.

Bonfire with Hot Chocolate / S'mores

From 5.30 pm

An extension of the Chocolate Tour, bring the chocolate experience full circle with the opportunity to roast your own marshmallows around a festive campfire. Enjoy a hot chocolate or make your own s'more. All ingredients will be provided, and proceeds will be donated to a local chocolate plantation, giving support to our local community and farmers.





31 December

Offering Circuit & Canang Sari Workshop

From 10.00 am at the Golden Pavilion

Join Ibu Lipet as she sets off on her daily routine, making offerings at the various stupas around the resort. After the circuit, which takes approximately 30 minutes, join Ibu Lipet at the Golden Pavilion to learn how to make your own canang sari.

Cookie Decorating for Children

From 2.00 pm at the Lotus Pond Pavilion

Dance Performance by Local Children from Kedewatan & Tatiapi Village

From 6.30 pm in the Lobby

Rindik Performance from the Golden Pavilion

7.30 pm – 9.00 pm

Our neighbour from Kedewatan village will perform on the Rindik, a traditional Balinese musical instrument made of bamboo. The intriguing melodies of this soulful instrument will be accompanied by a chorus of birdsong.

New Year's Eve Dinner at The Restaurant

From 7.30 pm

Get ready to welcome the New Year with a delicious New Year's Eve dinner prepared by our chef. While enjoying each dish, you will be indulged by the soothing sound of Rindik played by local musicians. Its melodious sound will remind you of the charms of this Island of Gods!

Live Music Performances & Fire Dance until Countdown

From 9.00 pm until midnight

Performances from local musicians will provide entertainment as anticipation builds for the countdown to 2023. As midnight nears, fire dancers will set the tone for welcoming the New Year.



NEW YEAR'S EVE SPECIAL DINNER

SALAD

Heirloom Tomato & Beet

Cherry Tomatoes, Baby Beet, Green Edible & Balsamic Reduction

ENTREE

Dari Duck Samosa

Fried Pastry Filled with Balinese Spice Roast Duck & Mint Chutney

MAIN COURSE

Barramundi

*Pan Seared Barramundi Fillet, Crispy Kale,
Baked Baby Carrot & Lemon Butter Sauce*

Grilled Crusted Rack of Lamb

*Grilled Cherry Tomatoes, Asparagus, Caramelised Shallot,
Coriander Braised Baby Potato & Demiglaze*

DESSERT

Pandan Cheesecake

Almond Crumble, Gulali, Cinnamon Tuile & Coconut Ice Cream



1 January

New Year's Brunch

From 12.00 pm

At the Restaurant, embark on a gastronomic journey overlooking the Ayung Valley Gorge on the first day of 2023. Discover an array of dishes inspired by various Southeast Asian cuisines. The gourmet spread will include delectable brunch specialties, and an assortment of pastries and sweets to round things off.

NEW YEAR'S BRUNCH

APPETISER

Breakfast Quinoa

Almond, Avocado, Honey, Soy Milk

or

Lumpia Goreng

Fried Spring Roll & Sweet Chili Dipping Sauce

MAIN COURSE

Pho Thai

Vietnamese Kway Teow Soup, Beef Bones Broth, Ginger, Onions, Coriander, Spring Onion and lots of aromatic spices

or

Baked Egg

In Tomato Sauce with Dukkah, Mushrooms, Choice of Ham, Bacon or Sausage

DESSERT

Mango Sticky Rice

Sticky Rice, Fresh Mango and Coconut Milk

or

Pisang Goreng

Fried Banana, Palm Sugar Sauce & Coconut Ice Cream



Aman Spa

Bali and Indonesia are rich with tradition, and the commitment to this tradition penetrates all areas of daily life. Caring for the body reflects caring for the soul, so it comes as no surprise that many rituals of self-care at our Aman Spa are practiced in keeping with more spiritual beliefs.

At Amandari, customary treatments are showcased so that you may not only experience the long-established practices of the Balinese, but so that you may also reap the benefits of such rituals.

Purifying Journey

180 minutes

‘Purification’ is a process that can apply to every aspect of a being, from sustenance to thought processes. This journey approaches purification on every level, from clearing the skin and detoxifying the body’s organs, to clearing negative energy and focusing the mind. This journey begins with a Body Scrub & Wrap Ritual, followed by a Massage Ritual and finishes off with a Face Ritual. Expect to feel clear-headed and at peace.

Village Spa Journey

120 minutes

This Spa Journey is an immersive experience that touches every aspect of the individual. Combining traditional treatments and products with the Balinese Melukat purification ceremony, you will be left feeling cleansed and refreshed, as well as completely rejuvenated and more connected to yourself and your environment.

Following a welcome blessing using flowers and rice as offerings, you will be treated to a full body exfoliation with black rice infused with the purifying properties of cinnamon, which boosts circulation and stimulates the lymphatic system. A body wrap of mineral-rich volcanic clay then helps draw out toxins from the body. Whilst cocooned in the warmth of the banana leaf wrap, a therapeutic head massage ensures total relaxation, leaving you with a sense of lightness and clarity.

The journey is then completed with the Melukat ritual using holy water.

Spa Rituals

Massage Ritual

90 minutes

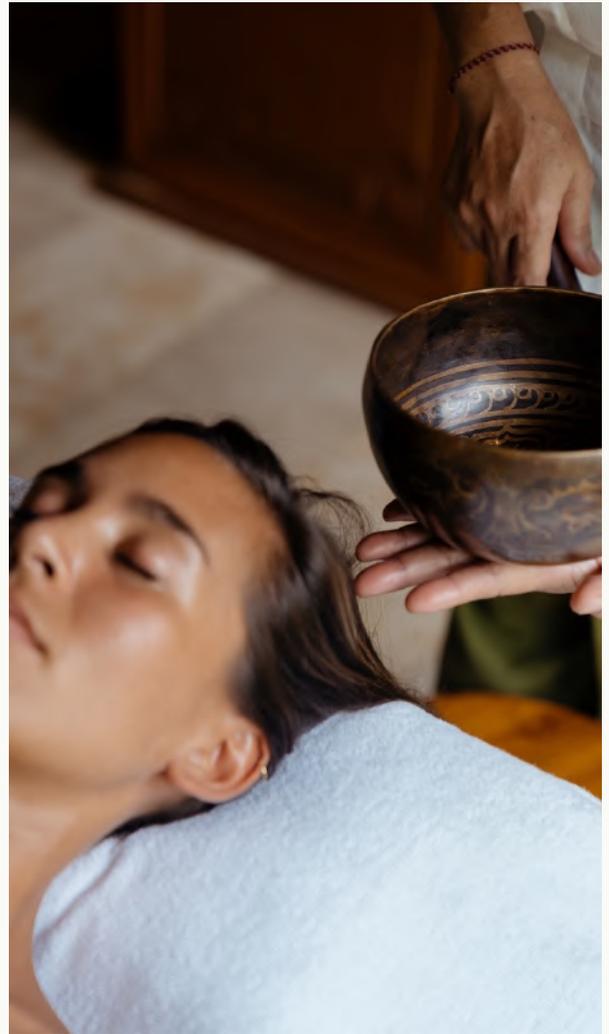
This treatment has an extraordinarily restorative effect on the sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous systems, helping to recharge and refuel the body and mind. This deeply relaxing treatment includes chakra and sound healing – said to activate and channel the Kundalini (dormant energy stored at the base of the spine). Marma point therapy balances the energy body, releasing negativity and bringing the body back to a state of awareness and balance. On a physical level, the rhythmic massage dissipates muscular tension, leaving the guest feeling completely restored.

Body Scrub & Wrap Ritual

90 minutes

For those feeling tired and depleted, this treatment encourages the body to enter a phase of deep rest in which it can be physically and emotionally nourished. Jade powder is a key ingredient in both the scrub and the wrap. It is known to nourish, hydrate, tone and rejuvenate. The Jade Mud Wrap combines the nourishing effects of Jade powder with mineral-rich Italian clay, rose hydrolat and argan oil. Hugging the body in a warm embrace, the wrap imparts the benefits of its ingredients while also calming the mind.

After a shower or bath, the treatment culminates in the full-body application of Aman's Sacred Heart Balm.



Mandi Rempah

120 minutes

Mandi Rempah is a traditional journey of cleansing and rebalancing, helping with muscle tightness and reducing tension. It begins with a 60-minute Amandari Massage using warming ginger and clove oils, followed by a black rice and cinnamon scrub to stimulate circulation. A body wrap of red clay and nutmeg, known for their nurturing and cleansing properties, is then followed by a hydrating bath with fresh coconut milk and yogurt.





Journey across the archipelago, combining stays at Aman's five Indonesian resorts.

The Indonesian islands are known as tropical idylls, but their individual landscapes and heritage reveal extraordinary diversity. An extended stay across a selection of Aman's Indonesian resorts is the ideal way to encounter the country's wide-ranging natural and cultural attractions.

As well as Aman's three Balinese properties – Amandari, Amankila and Aman Villas at Nusa Dua – discover Amanwana, a tented camp on the serene nature reserve of Moyo Island. Or combine this with a stay at Amanjiwo in Central Java's cultural heartland overlooking the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Borobudur.

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