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Our best picks of the **10 hottest** city and beach resorts in Southeast Asia for your next spa-dining getaway.
Jafri M and Yanni Tan report



Sukhothai's intimate Spa Botanica remains as popular as ever, the quintessential tropical garden spa with interiors showcasing natural Thai materials and Jim Thompson silks.

Treatments include massage therapies and aromatherapy using organically produced products, oils and herbals essences. Spacious rooms offer garden views and tranquility. Signature treatments are pure indulgence like the detoxifying Five Elements Cleanse and Purifying Ritual, which combines Tibetan and traditional Chinese medicine ingredients like ginseng and lotus blossom.

The dining outlets here include the award-winning Celadon, a Thai restaurant that offers riveting wine choices to pair with your food. Even though the set dinner menu spans some 10 dishes, the proportions are perfectly designed not to overwhelm the diner. Another traveller favourite is the Colonnade, an all-day dining restaurant featuring gourmet international cuisine. WWW.SUKHOTHA.COM



sanctuary. Its restoration and healing principles are inspired by seasonal cycles and use of pure herbs. The natural herbal products detoxify and nurture for total relaxation and rejuvenation. The spa's Royal Siam signature treatment includes a top-to-toe ritual that includes pampering sessions, such as a full-body papaya and sea salt exfoliation, and a warm Frangipani and Jasmine Oriental massage.

Culinary finesse abounds at Siam Kempinski, in the form of Brasserie Europa, recognised for its fine traditional European cuisine. Equally impressive is Thai contemporary restaurant Sra Bua by Kiin Kiin, where contemporary Thai dishes are featured in a modern interior.

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The iconic hotel captivates with the charming splendour of a bygone era, boasting calm and serenity with its six acres of lush greenery and ponds right in the heart of Bangkok. Some of its 200-plus rooms offer picturesque garden and courtyard views.

Truly Thai
Sukhothai (this page) remains an icon in Bangkok's hospitality industry with its top-class service, excellent local cuisine and fabulous spa