

◀ Le Royal Meridien, Dubai

Set on the famous Jumeirah strip, this super luxurious beach resort and spa (starwoodhotels.com/lemeridien) has landscaped gardens and overlooks a golden beach. As well as offering a dramatic location for your ceremony, the two enormous swimming pools and the couples' treatments at the state-of-the-art spa will help ease you into your honeymoon, and there are 12 restaurants and bars to choose from, serving everything from a sandwich by the beach to Indonesian dishes in splendid surroundings.

Room for romance: Check in to the opulent Royal Suite (left), a rich haven of cream and gold, which comes with butler service, a dramatic four-poster bed and marble furniture. Honeymoon treats include a fruit basket, plush sofas and every hi-tech gizmo you could want, from a plasma TV to a DVD player.

The price of love: Royal Suite from £238 per night. Return flights from London to Dubai, from £235pp, netflights.com.



Discovery, St Lucia ▶

Discovery at Marigot Bay (discoverystlucia.com) is an idyllic choice for a Caribbean wedding, with its contemporary interiors, Lapli Spa and chic, open-sided Hurricane Hole Bar, with panoramic views. You're spoilt for choice when it comes to wedding locations, such as overlooking the beautiful turquoise bay with bobbing yachts or on the golden beach. The rooms are made for romance and the suites have their own kitchens so you don't have to leave your love nest at all!

Room for romance: The dreamy top-floor suites have wooden furniture and slate-tiled bathrooms; luxurious four-poster king-size beds are wrapped in sumptuous Egyptian bed linen. Bliss.

Price of love: Sovereign (sovereign.com) offers seven nights, including flights, transfers and accommodation, from £1299 pp.



Suite talk

For your first night abroad, don't just get a room, says Amanda Statham... book a fab suite and hang Do Not Disturb on the door

HOTELS WITH WEDDING CHAPELS



- Have your big day at the **Anassa resort** (anassa.com.cy) in Cyprus, which has a sun-kissed white-washed chapel overlooking the Mediterranean.
- If you want to go über long-haul, have your ceremony at **Hilton Guam Resort & Spa** in Micronesia in the South Pacific (hiltonworldwideresorts.com), which has two chapels to choose from.
- If it's glitz and glamour you're after, say I do at the impressive five-star **Mandalay Bay Resort's** wedding chapel (mandalaybay.com) which lies on the famous strip in Vegas.



◀ Capri Palace Hotel & Spa, Italy

The Capri Palace (capripalace.com), overlooking the sparkling Mediterranean, is so A-list that even the interior is geared towards Hollywood, with film lights in the bar and bedrooms named after stars of the silver screen. The roof garden is deeply romantic, perfect for a wedding, and celeb dos include Arista Records boss Antonio Reid's nuptials with Mariah Carey on his guest list. The hotel is close to Capri's designer boutiques and restaurants, plus Gwyneth Paltrow checked into the spa before the premiere of her comeback film *Iron Man*.

Room for romance: The Audrey Hepburn junior suite is simply divine, dahling. With prints of Hepburn on the walls, a vast canopy bed and balcony, it's ideal for sundowners and the most gorgeous place to wake up with your man, so worth splashing the cash, if only for one night.

The price of love: Classic doubles, from £290 per night. Return flights from London to Naples from £50pp, with easyjet.com.