

TRIPADVISOR REVEALS EUROPE'S SEXIEST HOTELS

Amsterdam's Black Tulip Hotel Tops List of Provocative Properties

LONDON, UK. – February 11, 2010 – TripAdvisor®, the world's largest and most popular travel community, today announced the top 10 sexiest hotels in Europe, based on TripAdvisor editors and travellers. From seductive city suites, to beach-side personal butlers, these properties offer serious va-va-voom for those seeking a sultry sanctuary à deux.

TripAdvisor site data also reveals that Paris, London and Amsterdam boast the most sizzling hotels in Europe, based on the "sexy index", calculating the number of times that travellers use the term "sexy" in their candid TripAdvisor reviews.

1. Black Tulip, Amsterdam

Centrally located in a stylish 16th century canal-side building this hotel features specially designed 'lust' rooms. All rooms boast black-out curtains and guests can take advantage of the "fun equipment" installed in certain suites. As one TripAdvisor traveller explains, "The rooms are seriously sexy, complete with all the bondage gear you could wish for."

2. Propeller Island City Lodge, Berlin

For couples looking to add some spice to their getaway the quirky art installations within this hotel will not disappoint. Each room is uniquely sexy - the 'Flying Bed' room includes a mattress as an iconic temple at the top of an inclined ramp. The 'Galerie' room features a round bed with a pedal-operated mechanism that allows it to spin on a pivot. "We stayed in the room completely lined with mirrors. It was very tiny, but that was all part of the fun," writes one TripAdvisor traveller.

3. The Witchery, Edinburgh

The hotel's magnificent Guardroom suite offers sheer aristocratic decadence. If you tire of the delights of its romantic four-poster bed, the suite has breath-taking views over Princes Street to Fife. From the brocade and velvet bedroom furnishings to the antique double bath with its enormous mirror The Witchery provides guests with sexiness from a bygone age. Even X-Factor star Danni Minogue describes the hotel as "the perfect lust-den."

4. Buddha Bar Hotel, Prague

Couples seeking treats galore should add this hotel their wanton wish list. This urban hotel offers stylish surroundings, not to mention a special couples getaway package which includes a one-hour massage each, private use of the jacuzzi, fresh flowers and a mood music CD. As one TripAdvisor traveller writes, "A chilled bottle of champagne and a bowl of strawberries waited for us along with a gift of massage oils, honey dust and feathers, setting the pace for the most romantic honeymoon anyone could have."

5. Amour, Paris

The brainchild of a graffiti artist and nightclub entrepreneur the Amour has everything you need for a sultry weekend. Bedrooms lead off black-painted corridors lit by naked bulbs and each room offers something different. Some have been decorated by named artists; others display risqué photographs. Amour is summed up by one TripAdvisor traveller as "an ideal place to drink, eat, sleep, find an intelligent conversation or be seduced."

6. The Hempel, London

Anouska Hempel's temple to minimalist Zen is hidden behind its discreet, west-London, townhouse façade, giving it an instantly illicit feel. For couples looking for something special the Lioness Den suite should be explored. The bed is suspended from the ceiling by bars resulting in a cage-like experience. As one TripAdvisor traveller writes, "The mattress, the pillows and the blankets are all extremely lovable...excellent for couples."

7. Hotel Arts Barcelona, Barcelona

With its double showers and black-out blinds Hotel Arts oozes sex appeal. The hotel's infamous art isn't the only thing that will appeal to amorous guests – even the technology adds an air of passion. As one TripAdvisor traveller explains, "We could lie in our fabulous, sumptuous bed, and using a remote control, bring down electronic shutters to all the windows, they even had their

own CD called Barcelona Nights to help get you in the mood!"

8. Adam and Eve Hotel, Turkey Antalya Coast

With its sexy minimalist decor this hotel has been created specifically with couples in mind. Not only does it provide aphrodisiac incense to spice up your stay but guests can even select a 'fantasy box' for the room. Summed up by one TripAdvisor traveller, "I recommend this hotel to all couples, but come without children - it is really is a fantasy hotel..."

9. Suite Sistina, Rome

The four suites of **this** luxury **residence** bring together antique mosaics, modern furniture and avant-garde technology to offer couples an extraordinarily discreet and unique experience. With beds embraced by soft silk, state-of-the-art stereo systems and romantic lighting your stay is sure to be a passionately memorable one. As one TripAdvisor traveller notes, "Really large round bed, twin tub in the bedroom. All electrics are centrally controlled and the mood lighting certainly added to our stay."

10. Grand-Hotel du Cap-Ferrat, Cote D-Azur

Located in the millionaire paradise on the peninsula of St. Jean Cap Ferrat, this hotel is a once-in-a-lifetime luxury escape. Exclusive suites offer everything from private swimming pools to personal butler service – the sheer scale of excess is guaranteed to get pulses racing. One TripAdvisor traveller is impressed with the hotel staff, "He arranged a very romantic table setting complete with candles and even snuck me a rose to give to my wife."

"Whether couples are looking for a traditional romantic getaway or something a little more saucy, TripAdvisor travellers recommend all sorts of hotels for a memorable and passionate retreat," said Emma O'Boyle, spokesperson for TripAdvisor.

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