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BALI STYLE GUIDE

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The beautiful Natalie Hayllar from <u>Eat Read Love</u>, self-confessed foodie and interiors addict shares her memorable trip to Bali. If you're planning your trip or need inspiration on a tropical getaway destination, Natalie serves her top picks from stylish bars to luxury cafes.

I recently spent a magical two weeks in Bali . Having not been for a while, I was blown away by the recent changes and the amazing style to be found on every corner. Not the Bali I remember at all. From gorgeous cafes, boutiques and trendy bars, there is definitely a great style vibe going on in Bali right now. If you are planning a trip, here is my pick of the bunch...

1. <u>Villa Sungai</u> - for the ultimate in luxury you cannot look past Villa Sungai. Winner of the Luxury Travel Magazine Gold List 2013, with VIP Customs express, chauffeur driver, private day spa, personal chef and the most amazing secluded Villa you will not need for anything in this ultimate Bali haven. The service is without

a doubt the best I have ever had and the Villa is just divine. With luxe extras like Aqua di Parma beauty products, large white canopy beds, white washed interiors and Louis Ghost Chairs this is Bali 6 star! Kid friendly or secluded honeymoon retreat, take your pick.



Photo via Mantra

- 2. Indulge in your very own 'Eat Pray Love' moment at <u>Cafe Wayan Ubud.</u> Afterwards indulge in a chocolate and peppermint scrub and ginger tea at <u>Ubud Hanging Gardens</u> spa and walk away feeling completely invigorated (just like a giant Mint Pattie)
- 3. Antiques galore in MAS, near Ubud. We found some amazing Javanese antiques lining the main road. From old rice chests, rustic chairs and things that wont fit in your bag, this is the place to get your interiors fix.
- 4. Cafe Bali in Seminyak with Indian and Asian interior influences throughout, white washed walls lined with pink and orange marigolds, artwork and lanterns, this is a perfect little lunch pitstop on route to the shops of Seminyak. I love <u>Enfants Paradis</u> for luxe travel beauty products too.
- 5. <u>Mantra</u> in Petitenget has an entire wall lined with photo frames and just a really cute, relaxed vibe for afternoon tea. Afterwards you can taxi up to the nearby <u>W Hotel</u> and walk the garden arch en route to uber cool cocktail lounge and spa.



Photo Via Revolver Coffee

- 6. <u>Revolver Coffee</u> who says you can't get good coffee in bali! Tucked away behind a big solid timber door down a little lane, this place does amazing coffee and is a really cute little cafe to plan your daily adventures.
- 7. <u>Villa Kudus</u> in Canggu is a wonderful retreat for a family stay or larger group of friends. Only a short walk to Berara Beach, a hit with surfers and fabulous pool and antique interiors and the most divine solid timber and chandeliers in the master bedroom. The nearby Cafe Canggu is perfect coffee stop for weary travellers too.

On the wish list for next time:

- 8. Motel Mexicola- just because it looks like loads of fun!
- 9. <u>Mammasan</u> kitchen, bar and lounge, with old and new world influences where a large "gudang" or warehouse as it is known in English has been converted into a two level retro-vintage restaurant, cooking school and bar. Can't wait to try this!



10. Sunset drinks at <u>Tannah Lot</u>. Take a drive through the rice fields from Villa Sungai for an afternoon cocktail session overlooking the ocean and watch the sunset over this cliff top temple.

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Madigan and Nadean Richards will be hitting Bali in August for the very first International #eatreadlovepopup

dinner at Villa Sungai. Stay tuned to the Eat Read Love blog and Instagram @eatreadlover

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Thanks and enjoy

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