Wedded bliss

If there was ever a time to splurge on a vacation, it’s after a wedding — if only to recover from the stress of planning it.

From sultry island paradises with pastel skies to historical palaces where you’re doted on like royalty, these utterly fantasies — with seven suites — can be called “the best,” and that title goes to the exclusive Velaa Private Island, billed as the “resort for billionaires, by billionaires.” Fortunately, you don’t need to be quite that rich to check it out and make use of the over-the-top amenities. The tropical sanctuary boasts its own uber-luxe seaplane, private submarine, golf academy, spa with a snow room and course modern conveniences also abound, including air conditioning, a sound system and a jeweled-blue swimming pool. The villa is under the management of the five-star Grand Hotel Tremezzo and villa guests are welcome to use its nearby facilities — if they can pull themselves away, that is. Rates start at around $9,100 a night for the entire villa.

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VENICE SIMPSON-ORIENT-EXPRESS, EUROPE

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