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A Look at the Most Beautiful Bathtubs Across the Globe

Calm waters.

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dip, a soak—whatever you call it, bath culture is booming. And, whether you prefer salts or bubbles, just looking at these beautiful soak situations can provide a bit of grounding, even from dry land.

Springs Eternal

There are only 16 rooms at the almost always sold-out KAI Sengokuhara boutique hotel in Japan, but each one boasts both a "wow-worthy" bathroom, as well as a private outdoor onsen (aka, personal hot spring) on the terrace. The million-dollar views are not only incredible, but also interactive: Mountain springs from the nearby Mount Kintoki feed the onsens as cherry blossoms, ginkgo trees and water gardens provide unparalleled privacy. It's truly a setting of natural beauty, making for an almost completely secluded retreat. hoshinoresorts.com



Miami Nice

South Beach may not be synonymous with a long soak—or, to be more accurate, anything remotely associated with relaxing—but updated wellness touches all throughout town may sway perceived opinion. First on the list: The Standard's spacious open-air spa with dedicated real estate for signature treatments, mud therapies and unrivaled views. For guests interested in a more private outdoor dip, the hotel's large suites now have well-appointed bath terraces. **standardhotels.com**





Force of Nature

01. Panoramic desert views and an en-suite bathroom and extra-large tub await at the unexpectedly luxe two-room tents at the new Zannier Hotels Sonop in Namibia. **zannierhotels.com 02**. The color blue is the theme at the Six Senses Zil Pasyon in the Seychelles, where the stunning villa accommodations feature floor-to-ceiling windows and a bathtub that overlooks the sparkling waters of the Indian Ocean. (Bonus: There's even a hanging swing if you prefer to dry off there after a soak). **sixsenses.com 03.** Simply chic and secluded, the private outdoor tub at the Garden Spa Suite at Sonoma's iconic MacArthur Place delivers a unique and meditative take on the basic bath experience. **macarthurplace.com 04.** Natural vegetation and intricate design touches meet at the Amanyara in Turks & Caicos, where every villa has a free-standing tub, rain shower and wooden sun deck. **amanresorts.com**









Clean Lines

05. The Baron Suite at Hotel Château du Grand-Lucé in France's Loire Valley is home to an opulent bathroom that offers views inspired by the gardens at Versailles. The marble-clad room even comes complete with Versailles-patterned oak floors and gold finishes in the bath. **chateaugrandluce.com**

06. Space and seclusion take priority at the private pool villas at Bali's Four Seasons Jimbaran Bay, a special place that has oversized antique-style tubs and what the resort refers to as "romantic, spalike" bathrooms. fourseasons.com/jimbaranbay





Bath + Beyond

These must-have essentials take a standard soak and the post-bath skin-care step to the next level.

Lifetherapy Grounded Bubble Bath (\$28)

Mater Soap Sea Bar (\$14)

Sachajuan Fresh Lavender Body Wash (\$41)

Guinot Eau Mirific Body Mist (\$52)

Susanne Kaufmann Mineral Body Lotion (\$145)

