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Indulge yourself all the way to the horizon at seaside resorts from the Gold Coast to the French Riviera.

## SHERATON MIRAGE RESORT & SPA

Expanses of blue water and skyscraping glass make a knockout first impression at this Gold Coast evergreen that's had a \$26m upgrade. Modern art works line the corridors and the light fittings are twisted mesh and wired jute. The resort faces the beach: a roomy Deluxe Ocean Suite road-tested had a sophisticated dove-grey and charcoal palette and lush outlook. The pool area has lots of nooks for sun beds and an all but in-pool restaurant and bar. The 295 rooms are spacious, and the 185sq m Royal Suite has inclusions from Ralph Lauren and Christopher Guy. From \$255. **71 Seaworld Drive, Main Beach, Gold Coast, Queensland. (07) 5591 1488. sheratonmiragegoldcoast.com**



## WHERE I STAY



LUCY FOLK  
MELBOURNE JEWELLERY DESIGNER

### BOWERY HOTEL, NEW YORK

"The Bowery Hotel on the Lower East Side is one of my favourites. Rooms are charming with floor-to-ceiling windows and beautiful bathrooms. The mini bar is extensive and you can even walk away with your very own teddy bear. The bar is open until the wee hours and the courtyard is always busy. It's a unique spot in the city where you can sip margaritas and meet interesting people. Locals come to the Bowery to hang out and the hotel embraces night owls and having a darn good time." From \$US445 (\$482). **335 Bowery, New York. +1 (212) 505 9100. theboweryhotel.com**