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Aerial view of the famous windmills above Mykonos town, Cyclades, Greece GETTY

The 10 Best Hotels In Mykonos

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f the dozens of Greek islands to discover, there's a reason why Mykonos remains at the top of traveler's lists. While it's true the island is compared to Spain's **Ibiza** for its party-till-dawn scene and thumping beach clubs, it's also known for its Cycladic architecture (minimalist whitewashed buildings clustered together with vibrantly painted doors and windows), charming streets, sandy beaches, and luxury accommodations. Not just that, but it's easy to get to thanks to its international airport (something not all Greek islands can boast).

The island is also incredibly diverse, and travelers of all kinds, like families seeking family-friendly hotels or honeymooners looking for the ultimate quiet escape, can find something to suit them. As one of the world's most ancient countries, Greece is also home to enchanting history, ancient sites, beautiful chapels that dot the hillsides, and centuries-old, family-run tavernas—all of which Mykonos can offer to a curious traveler. Below, we've selected the best hotels in Mykonos for a sophisticated and fun stay in 2023.

Best Luxury Hotel In Mykonos: Kalesma Hotel



Apollon Villa at Kalesma Hotel. COURTESY OF KALESMA HOTEL.

Kalesma Hotel

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Who Will Love It: Discreet A-listers; honeymooners; luxury seekers; design lovers

All-Star Amenities: Three restaurants and the Kalesma Spa featuring Dr. Barbara Sturm products

What Not to Miss: A chef-led cooking class where you'll learn to make traditional Greek dishes and learn about local flavors

Location: Aleomandra

The beauty of Kalesma lies in the simple moments, like enjoying a glass of *assyrτικο* (a Greek white wine) at sunset with a gentle breeze. With authentic Greek hospitality and a distinct sense of Cycladic design and flair, Kalesma is the chosen hotel for those who want to skip the Mykonos party scene in favor of languid sunny days. It will be hard to leave this estate-like hillside hotel, which has a total of 27 accommodations—including the spectacular seven-bedroom Leto Villa, which wouldn't look out of place in a design magazine.

There are three dining outposts: the all-day restaurant Pere Ubu, the Pere Ubu pool bar, and the Aloni Sunset Lounge. Pere Ubu specializes in fresh Greek cuisine, particularly mezzes, and there's a phenomenal Greek wine list for those who want a local taste. The newest addition to the young hotel is the Kalesma Spa, which has two rooms for face and body treatments using celebrity cult-favorite skincare line Dr. Barbara Sturm, a cryotherapy area, and a hammam.