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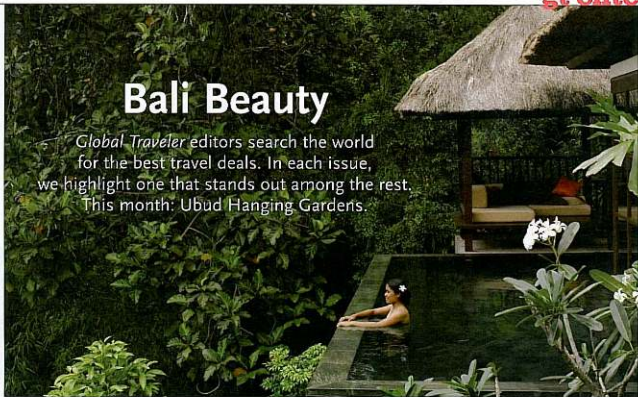
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Bali Beauty

Global Traveler editors search the world for the best travel deals. In each issue, we highlight one that stands out among the rest. This month: Ubud Hanging Gardens.



BALL THE NAME ALONE CONJURES images of serene spirituality and lush, fragrant tropical surroundings. While the other islands of Indonesia have historically attracted traders and businesspeople — whether they were pursuing exotic spices or microelectronics — Bali has always lured seekers of enlightenment and peace. And they're still coming, both with backpacks and designer luggage, to visit the splendid Hindu temples, to experience the arts of Balinese dance and painting and gamelan music, and to absorb Bali's beauty.

Ubud Hanging Gardens, an Orient-Express Resort Hotel, is located

near Bali's "art village" of Ubud, filled with museums, galleries and the studios of craftspeople and artists. The resort itself is a work of art, with 38 villas and villa suites that trail up the hillside. Each is appointed with its own infinity plunge pool, a large terrace and breathtaking views of the Ayung River valley below. There's also a bar, a restaurant and a casual café, and a spa to complete the resort's menu of sensory delights.

THE OFFER: The eight-day, seven-night Bali Experiences package immerses you in the island's natural, cultural and spiritual beauty by

blending vigorous physical activity, such as hiking and river rafting, with cultural pursuits, such as painting workshops and traditional Balinese dance classes, and soothing, centering spa treatments. The package itinerary also includes a guided tour to the mountain village of



Kintamani, an elephant ride, an art tour, a visit to a Balinese temple and lunch in the home of a Balinese family. You'll also enjoy afternoon tea and nightly dinners at the hotel and some of the area's top restaurants. Rates start at \$3,388 per person for a double-occupancy deluxe pool villa in low season (Sept. 21-Dec. 21 and Jan. 7-March 31, 2008) and \$3,836 per person in high season (Dec. 22-Jan. 6). Offer ends March 31, 2008. For more information, visit www.ubudhanginggardens.com. | ■

