

Region: Sanur Ketewel **Bedrooms:** 3 **Sleeps:** 6 **Bathrooms:** 3

The three-bedroom Villa Raj, situated just 40 metres from a glistening black-sand beach near Ketewel on Bali's south-east coast, presents indoor and outdoor living, a swimming pool in a private walled garden, and a 13-metre private beachfront deck offering glorious views. The contemporary architecture incorporates local materials and many elements of Balinese-Hindu philosophy, while a mix of modern and antique furnishings means comfort is assured. Guests staying at Villa Raj can look forward to five-star service within the calm tranquility that is the true essence of Bali.

Majapahit Beach Villas are down a small track a kilometre or so off the main Denpasar - Klungkung bypass. They face out over the Badung Strait with Nusa Penida in the distance. This stretch of black sand beach with its excellent reef break is good for experienced surfers, but strong currents and a swirling high tide that covers the beach all the way up to the villas' sea wall mean that this is not really the spot for swimming. Nearby is little other than a few sleepy local houses and a tiny temple spotted amongst the rice terraces; grazing cows; fields of tapioca and chillies and pockets of coconut palms. The village of Ketewel is only a few minutes' away, while Sukawati, famous for its cheap local market, is a couple of kilometres inland en route to the cultural and artistic heart of Bali, Ubud.

Features and amenities

Location

Ketewel, Gianyar, south-east Bali, Indonesia.

Neighbourhood

Saba Bay Riding Stables (3km); Bali Bird Park/Safari & Marine park (7km); Surfing at Cucukan (7km); Sanur (13km); Ubud (17km).

Capacity

6 adults (3 king-size beds) 2 extra beds.

Living areas

Living/dining room with table for 6-8; balinese relaxation pavilion; 13-metre area of beachfront deck with seating, shared with guests in Villa



Nataraja.

Pool

13 x 4 x 1.8m pool; two adjoining 1.5 x 1.5m jacuzzis.

Staff

(For the whole complex) villa manager; assistant manager; 6 butlers; chef; 4 kitchen staff; 6 housekeepers; 5 gardeners/ pool attendants; 5 security guards; 2 on-site masseuses; 2 maintenance; front of house receptionist; babysitter (extra/on request).

Dining

Accomplished chef, experienced in fine-dining and entertaining, with wide repertoire of international and Asian dishes from healthy to decadent.

Communication

IDD telephone; WiFi broadband internet access.

Entertainment

Flat-screen satellite channel TV and DVD player in living pavilion; satellite TV/DVD player in each bedroom.

Events

When all Majapahit villas are booked together, weddings and events for up to 80 seated guests can be accommodated.

For families

Pool toys; DVDs; shallow area in pool.

Transport

A 7-seater car and driver is available for up to 8 hours per day at a charge of US\$35++ (excludes petrol).

Additional facilities



Barbecue; safety deposit box; full back-up diesel powered generator.

Property area

820sqm.

The layout

Indoor living

- Bright living and dining area opens to the garden and makes a great social hub
- Opulent double jacuzzi extends right into the living room
- Fan-cooled space with hardwood floors, comfy chairs, satellite-channel TV, and dining for six
- Stylish interiors feature artwork, antique carvings and two ornate timber doors
- Feature staircase spirals up to the master suite

Outdoor living

- 12-metre swimming pool
- Large comfortably furnished bale hung with billowing white drapes
- Private walled garden with lush lawn, shaded sun loungers and bursting with tropical foliage
- Massage pavilion at the far end of the pool Beachside deck with thatched bale shared with Villa Raj

The rooms

Master bedroom

- Opulent, air-conditioned room regally decked out in dark woods and rich fabrics
- King-size bed
- Artwork includes framed photos from Bali's golden age
- Sliding doors onto wide, shaded balcony overlooking the pool
- Sumptuous, two-part ensuite bathroom with bath, shower and twin basins
- Sleep to the sound of the surf



Guest rooms

- Two mirror-image, air-conditioned, ground floor rooms with king-size beds
- Featuring magnificent carved doors and soaring wood-and-bamboo-lined ceilings
- Accessible from both garden and living area
- Semi-open-air bathrooms in black polished concrete and with pergola roofs
- Seductive hidden lighting, sunken tubs, rain shower and tropical plants in both bathrooms

Location

Majapahit Beach Villas are located at Pabean Beach down a narrow lane off the Klungkung Bypass, which runs along the east coast and is also known as the Sunrise Road. Bounded by the River Wos, rice fields, tobacco plantations, papaya, banana and coconut groves, the area is blessed with spectacular views extending across the ocean towards the beaches of Sanur and Nusa Dua, the islands of Lembongan, Ceningan and Penida, and the mountains of East Bali.

Pabean was once a small port through which oriental traders brought their products; at low tide you can still see the structure of the old harbour. This glistening black sand stretch of coastline is popular with surfers and beachcombers but swirling currents and a lack of lifeguards make it unsuitable for swimming for all but the most confident of swimmers.

The nearby village of Ketewel is the origin of the celebrated Legong Bededari Dance, and the neighbouring village of Saba produced the finest Legong dancers on the island. There are no Western-style restaurants in this area, but there are plenty of local warungs (eateries), while international restaurants, shops galore can be found just 13km away in Sanur. Also the location is in between Seminyak and the cultural capital of Bali, Ubud and just 5 -10 minutes from all the famous traditional villages of Mas, Sukawati, Batubulan and Batuan for all handicraft shopping.

Places of interest

- Saba Bay Stables 3.00 km
- Celuk 5.00 km
- Batubulan 7.00 km
- Sukawati 7.00 km
- Bali Safari and Marine Park 7.00 km

- Bali Bird Park 7.00 km
- Surfing (Cucukan)7.00 km
- Sanur 13.00 km
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- Ubud 17.00 km
- Seminyak 24.00 km
- Denpasar Airport 27.00 km
- Padang Bai Harbour 30.00 km
- Candidasa 38.00 km