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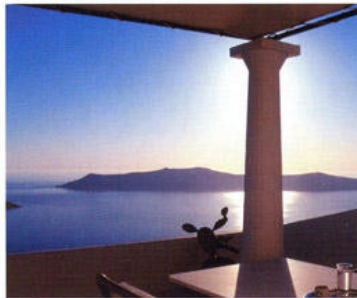
# GREECE *is the word*

Long-haul flights to exotic destinations aren't everyone's idea of a dream honeymoon, so why not jet off to white sands and blue oceans nearer to home in beautiful Greece?

**MYKONOS GRAND HOTEL & RESORT** (0030 22890 25555), Agios Ioannis, Mykonos island.  
**THE ROMANCE FACTOR:** This is a beautiful hotel, directly above the three sandy coves of Agios Ioannis, a stone's throw from the Sunset Taverna where *Shirley Valentine* met her Greek fisherman.  
**THE BED TEST:** Couples love the mini spa suite and huge window from which you can gaze at the blue Aegean and Delos island.  
**DETAILS:** One night B&B in a double room starts from £126 until July. A spa suite starts from £148. Visit [www.mykonosgrand.gr](http://www.mykonosgrand.gr)



**HOTEL DAMOUCHARI** (0030 4260 49840), Pelion, mainland Greece.  
**THE ROMANCE FACTOR:** This hideaway is a scattering of stone cottages set on a hillside beside a secluded cove. Feast on local organic delicacies in the taverna while sitting by the water's edge.  
**THE BED TEST:** The Erifilis studio has the feel of a fisherman's house and has a little kitchen (for those private suppers). Upstairs, a cosy double bedroom overlooks beautifully landscaped gardens full of quirky sculptures.  
**DETAILS:** Tapestry Holidays (020 8235 7788) offers seven nights room only from £650 per person in June including flights.



**DANAI BEACH RESORT & VILLAS** (0030 23750 22310), Sithonia, Halkidiki.  
**THE ROMANCE FACTOR:** A hideaway overlooking golden beaches. If the picnic cruise doesn't grab you, go to the helipad for a flight across Greece.  
**THE BED TEST:** With its opulent furnishings, you'll be seduced by this resort's beautiful suites.  
**DETAILS:** Mediterranean Experience (020 8445 6000) offers seven nights B&B for £880 per person including flights. A pool suite, starts from £1385 until 25 June.



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**TSITOURAS COLLECTION** (0030 22860 23747), Thira, Santorini island.  
**THE ROMANCE FACTOR:** Of Tsitouras' six suites, the House of Nureyev penthouse with its private veranda and sunset views, is the one to go for. Within walking distance of the village of Thira, it clings to a 1000ft cliff and overlooks a string of volcanic islets.  
**THE BED TEST:** Expect über-sumptuous furnishings, black bedspreads, elegant brass fittings, low lighting, and linen with gilded olive wreath monograms.  
**DETAILS:** One night B&B for two in the House of Nureyev starts from £360 and includes local airport transfers. Visit [www.tsitouras.com](http://www.tsitouras.com)



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