

FEATURE

A SPA BY THE SEA

No need to choose between soaking in the sun or soaking in the sauna this summer – we've done the research (it was tough...) and chosen our top five beach-side retreats across Europe. Just pick the one for you!



GREECE

Eagles Palace (BEST FOR The One-Stop Luxury Escape)

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Life ain't so bad when your only decision of the day is whether to have your body scrub before a yachting trip to Ammouliani Island, or afterwards. Such are the dilemmas at Eagles Palace, a luxury beach retreat on northern Greece's Halkidiki peninsula. Though amenities here include tennis courts, water sports, three restaurants and a fresh-water pool with built-in bar, top billing goes to its 160 sq meters spa. Inside its treatment rooms, an expert team gives frangipani body wraps and hot stone rubs using techniques that combine Elemis therapies with home-grown beauty brand Apivot products. And the spa's outdoor mineral massage baths have built-in stone loungers, so you can work on your tan while soaking yourself to better health.