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# These Far-Flung Luxury Lodges Are So Worth the Trek

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While we're all about convenience in our daily routine, when it comes to vacation, we're acutely aware that sometimes the most memorable experiences take us off the beaten path. Such is the case with these far-flung luxury lodges. Located in some of the most remote places on the planet, the properties ahead aren't exactly what you'd call easily accessible, but they're definitely worth the effort. For many travelers, the journey is part of the appeal! An irresistible combination of unbridled natural beauty, **supreme privacy**, and posh comforts certainly doesn't hurt either.

The best things in life don't come easy—and these bucket list retreats prove that's true without a shadow

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### Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley | Australia

Tucked away in a 7,000-acre conservation reserve—surrounded by sandstone cliffs, verdant vales, and fragrant eucalypt forests—**Emirates One&Only Wolgan Valley** delivers a distinctive Australian bush experience. The ambience is refined yet down-to-earth. There are 40 free-standing villas, each with its own fireplace, heated pool, and spacious veranda, plus gratis binoculars and mountain bikes. Guests can

opt for a range of outdoor activities, from horseback riding and birdwatching to guided 4WD vehicle

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## Helena Bay Lodge | New Zealand

If the idea of getting away from it all intrigues you, consider [Helena Bay Lodge](#). Set on the peaceful shores of [New Zealand's North Island](#), it's reachable by high-speed helicopter (or you could drive approximately three hours from Auckland). And when we say private, we mean it. A maximum of five couples can stay

at a time. Meaning the entire 800-acre expanse is pretty much your personal playground. Forage for fresh

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### Minam River Lodge | Oregon

Forget the road less traveled, they're aren't even paved paths leading to **Minam River Lodge**. So, how do you venture to this ultra-secluded respite? Horseback, charter plane, or hike (it's a pleasant 8.5-mile trek through Oregon's gorgeous Eagle Cap Wilderness). Once there, cast your line in the trout-filled lakes and

stroll the many scenic trails. As far as accommodations, expect wall tents, **log cabins**, rustic rooms, and a

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### Amankora | Bhutan

Seeking an escape from the hustle and bustle? It doesn't get much more remote or relaxing than **Amankora**. With five Himalayan havens spread across Bhutan, it immerses guests in the untouched beauty and cultural heritage of the last surviving Buddhist Kingdom. At Paro, cozy up in front of a



*bukhari*, a wood-burning stove. Peep endangered black-neck cranes at Gangtey, set in the little-visited

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### Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti | Tanzania

**Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti** is hidden deep in the heart of the savannah, where gazelles, lions, rhinoceros, and zebras roam free. Start the morning with a cup of coffee on your balcony. You might

even spot elephants gathering at the nearby watering hole. Then it's off to the bush for an exhilarating

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