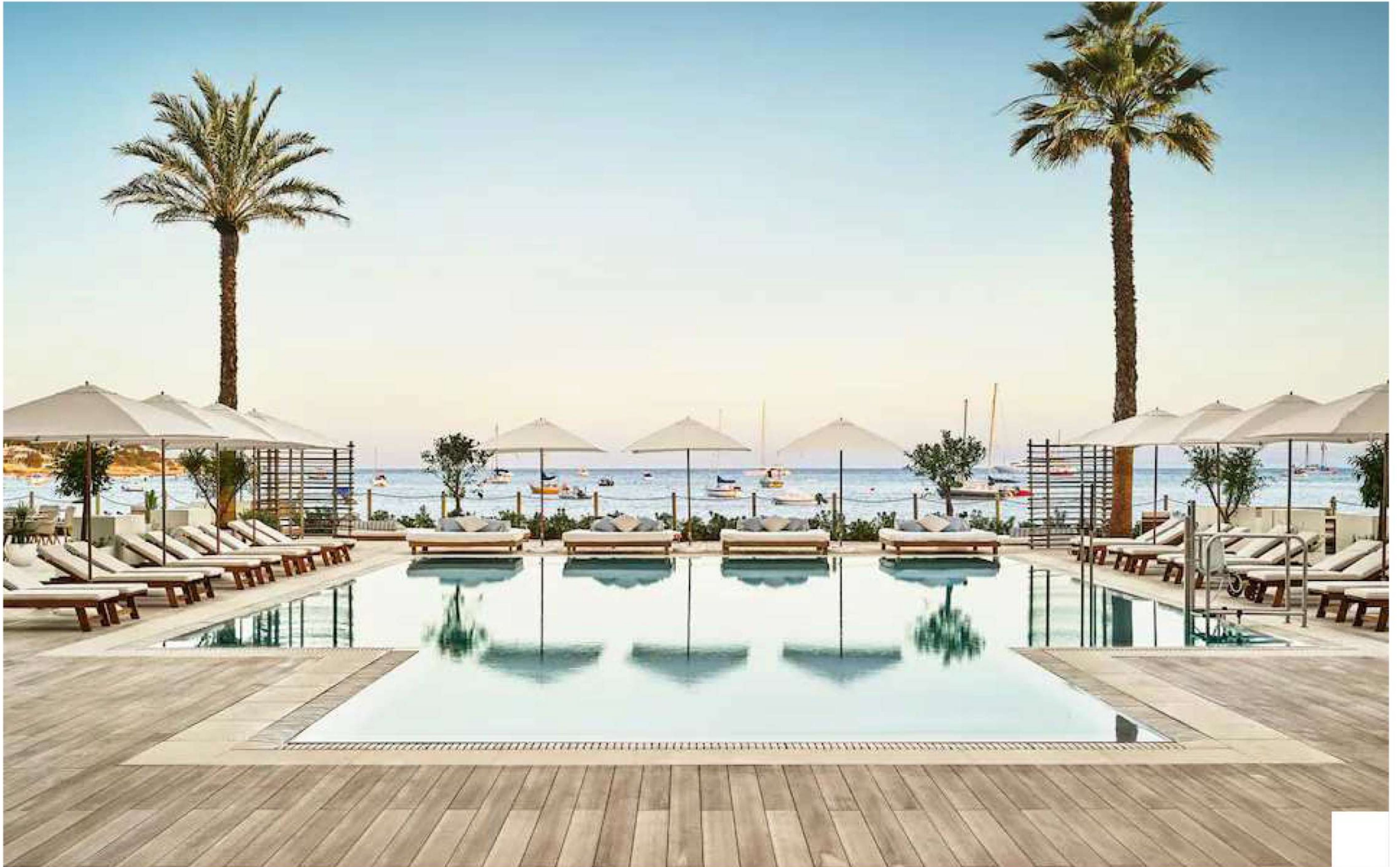


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12 fabulous hotels for a sizzling summer escape

From glam retreats in Ibiza to family-friendly resorts in St Lucia, these are some of the hottest stays right now

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Freedom! Finally we can travel abroad freely(ish) again. Here we round up 12 fabulous summer getaways, including luxe A-list-worthy seaside resorts that kids will love too, Michelin star-spangled foodie retreats, and the ultimate boot camp to shed those lockdown pounds...

Where to go for... FAMILY FUN

Park Hotel and Spa Cala di Lepre

Palau, Sardinia

Best for... entertaining the kids

Set on a hillside of scented herbs and granite rocks, the coastal vistas here over the Costa Smeralda sea are downright spectacular. There's plenty to entertain children, including Leprotoland kids' club, as well as pony trekking and horse riding lessons. The buffet dinner at L'Arcipelago restaurant evokes a Roman banquet - think platter after platter of ceviche-style fish, a rainbow of antipasti, wood-fired pizza, and every variation of vegetable imaginable. Local ingredients are used where possible. For those of an active persuasion, beach volleyball, floodlit tennis courts and archery are on offer.

Stella loves: The thalassotherapy circuit at the spa, with hot and cold seawater pools. Bliss!

Out and about: Hop over to the La Maddalena archipelago on the car ferry from Palau – its picturesque town centre is not to be missed and there are some utterly stunning Caribbean-like beaches. Crossing the road bridge from here to the neighbouring island of Caprera is also well worth the time for its untrampled slivers of sand, turquoise waters and tranquility. Excursions can also be booked through the hotel, including sea safaris, island tours and motorboat rides aboard the Delphina Express.

From £84 per person per night, half board; hotelcaladilepre.com



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