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Where the balmy evenings stretch far beyond August and a coastal breeze is in the air – these are the best seaside boltholes in Italy

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Capo d'Orso

Palau, Italy

9/10 Telegraph expert rating

Named after the giant bear-shaped rock that guards the Strait of Bonifacio on Sardinia's legendary north coast, the Capo d'Orso lies between two pretty coves where one can bask by the water or trek across the headland. Run by the Delphina group, promoters of a green ethos on the Emerald Coast, this boutique hotel features bijou 'cottages' buried in juniper woods where lie shady nooks and crannies, a seawater pool and spa, romantic bars and restaurants that float dreamily above the water.

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