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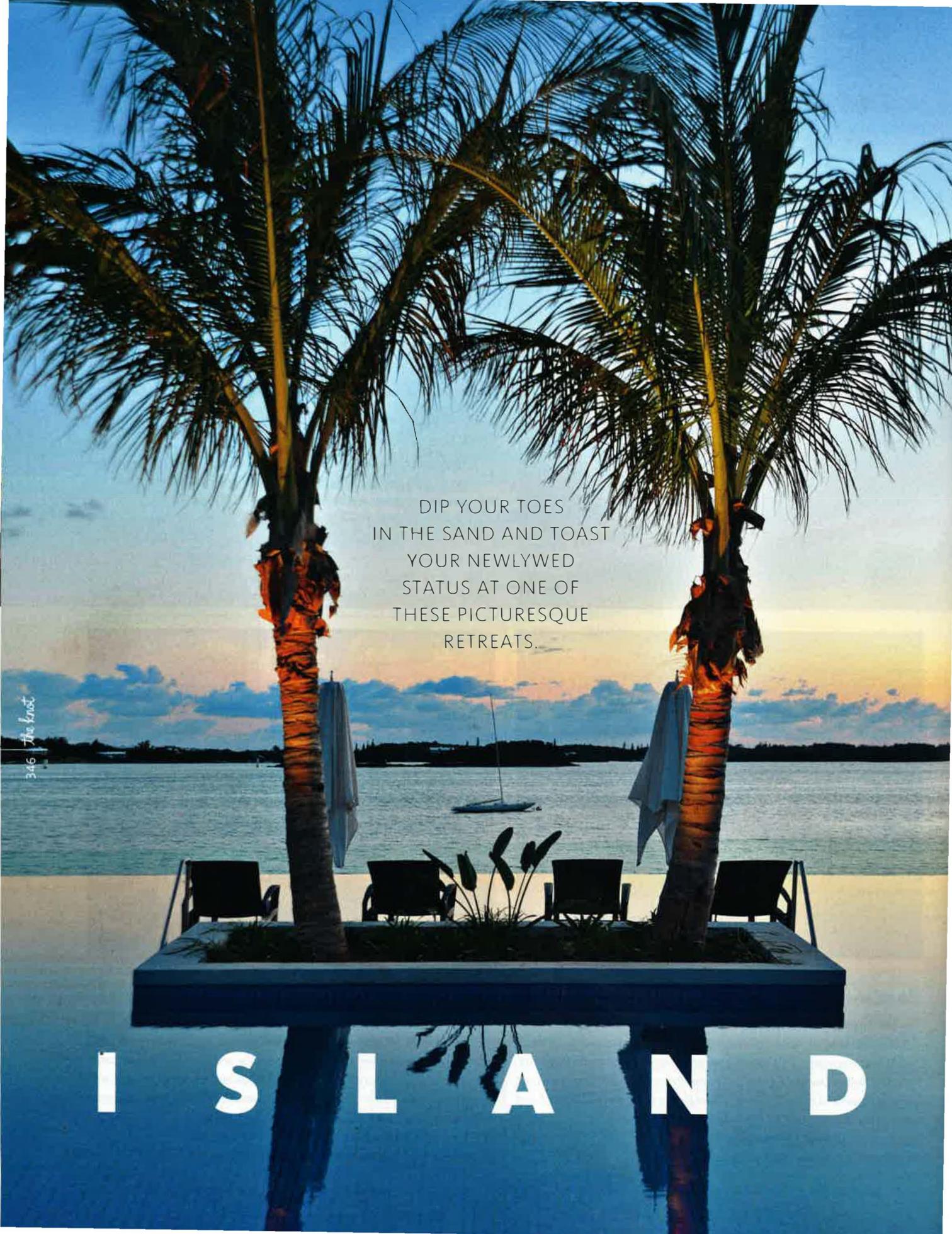
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## bermuda

ABOUT 650 MILES  
SOUTHEAST OF CAPE  
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This pink-sand paradise is less than a three-hour flight from most East Coast cities. Fresh off hosting the 2017 America's Cup for sailing, the island has been reinvigorated with new restaurants, hotels and marinas.

**WHEN TO GO** Bermuda is in the Atlantic, not the Caribbean, so even the summer nights can get cool. September and October are free of humidity, but the water still remains warm enough to swim.

**WHERE TO STAY** A massive renovation of the Hamilton Princess has reimagined the legendary hotel, known as the Pink Palace, for modern times. The new look includes a chic beach club, an Exhale spa, a restaurant from chef Marcus Samuelsson and artwork from the likes of Banksy and Andy Warhol. (From \$399; [TheHamiltonPrincess.com](http://TheHamiltonPrincess.com))

**WHAT TO DO** Explore the island by scooter (visitors can't rent cars). Get a glimpse of Bermuda's British past in the town of St. George, climb 185 steps to the top of Gibbs Hill Lighthouse, then head to Horseshoe Bay to unwind and catch the sunset.

**DON'T MISS** Bermuda's ocean floor is the resting place for more than 300 shipwrecks. Dive Bermuda can accommodate both beginners and certified divers on underwater adventures. ([BermudaScuba.com](http://BermudaScuba.com)) >>



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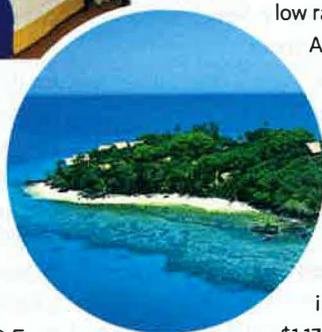
**santa cruz, the galápagos islands, ecuador**

📍 IN THE CENTER OF THE ARCHIPELAGO

The Galápagos is a bucket list destination for a reason. Where else can you follow in the footsteps of Darwin and view blue-footed boobies?



WATCH THE SUN SET OVER TURQUOISE WATERS FROM YOUR PRIVATE THATCHED-ROOF VILLA IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC.



**royal davui island, fiji**

📍 IN THE CENTER OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC, 1,300 MILES NORTHEAST OF NEW ZEALAND

The South Pacific archipelago of Fiji has beaches that are better than private. Lovers looking for a romantic tryst have countless deserted islands they can head to for a day of canoeing under palm trees and skinny dipping in the turquoise seas.

**WHEN TO GO** Shoulder season, May to October, has low rainfall, low humidity and lower prices.

Avoid wet season: November to April.

**WHERE TO STAY** Royal Davui Island Resort floats amid the crystalline waters (and diving wonderland) of the Beqa Lagoon. The adults-only property has just 16 thatched-roof villas, each with its own private plunge pool and sun deck for some intimate one-on-one time. (From \$1,170, all-inclusive; RoyalDavuiFiji.com)

**WHAT TO DO** You'll spend most of your days in the water, on the beach or island-hopping to local villages and secret surf spots.

**DON'T MISS** Get dropped off by boat on your own tidal islet with champagne and a picnic.

**WHEN TO GO** December to June brings tropical temperatures that can exceed 100 degrees. July to November offers cooler temps. You'll need a wet suit, but this is the best time to snorkel with penguins and see the tortoise migration.

**WHERE TO STAY** Centrally located on Santa Cruz island, eco-conscious Pikaia Lodge is perched atop extinct volcanic craters, with ocean views from its floor-to-ceiling windows. Take the lodge's yacht out (with a captain) and explore other islands. (From \$8,750 for a three-night stay, including meals and guided excursions; PikaiaLodge.com)

**WHAT TO DO** Have the lodge pack a picnic lunch and go bike the untouched shoreline of Garrapatero Beach.

**DON'T MISS** Visit the resort's tortoise reserve. Grab a bottle of wine at sunset and watch the gentle giants.