

Classy Castaways

Sugar-white sands, sea breeze-tousled palms and maybe even a private submarine—these are the kinds of islands on which we'd like to be marooned. *By Diana Hubbell*

TAHITI

The Brando

The Godfather himself bought this piece of paradise while scouting locations for *Mutiny on the Bounty*. For more than 50 years, Tetiaroa island was the star's place to get away from it all, and now you too can escape to the 35-villa resort, opening this month. thebrando.com; villas from €1,800 per night, all-inclusive.

MALDIVES

Velaa Private Island

Take a break from a hard day at the champagne lounge or golf academy to cruise the Indian Ocean in either a traditional Maldivian *batheli* boat or the resort's two-bedroom yacht. Then explore the underwater world on a private submarine tour of Noonu Atoll. velaa.privateisland.com; villas from US\$1,500.

BURMA

Myanmar Andaman Resort

Through perhaps more rustic than luxe, the first PADI-certified resort in Burma offers superb diving in the pristine waters of the Andaman and trekking through the jungles of Macleod Island. myanmarandamanresort.com; three-night packages from US\$1,068 (US\$356 per night).

SEYCHELLES

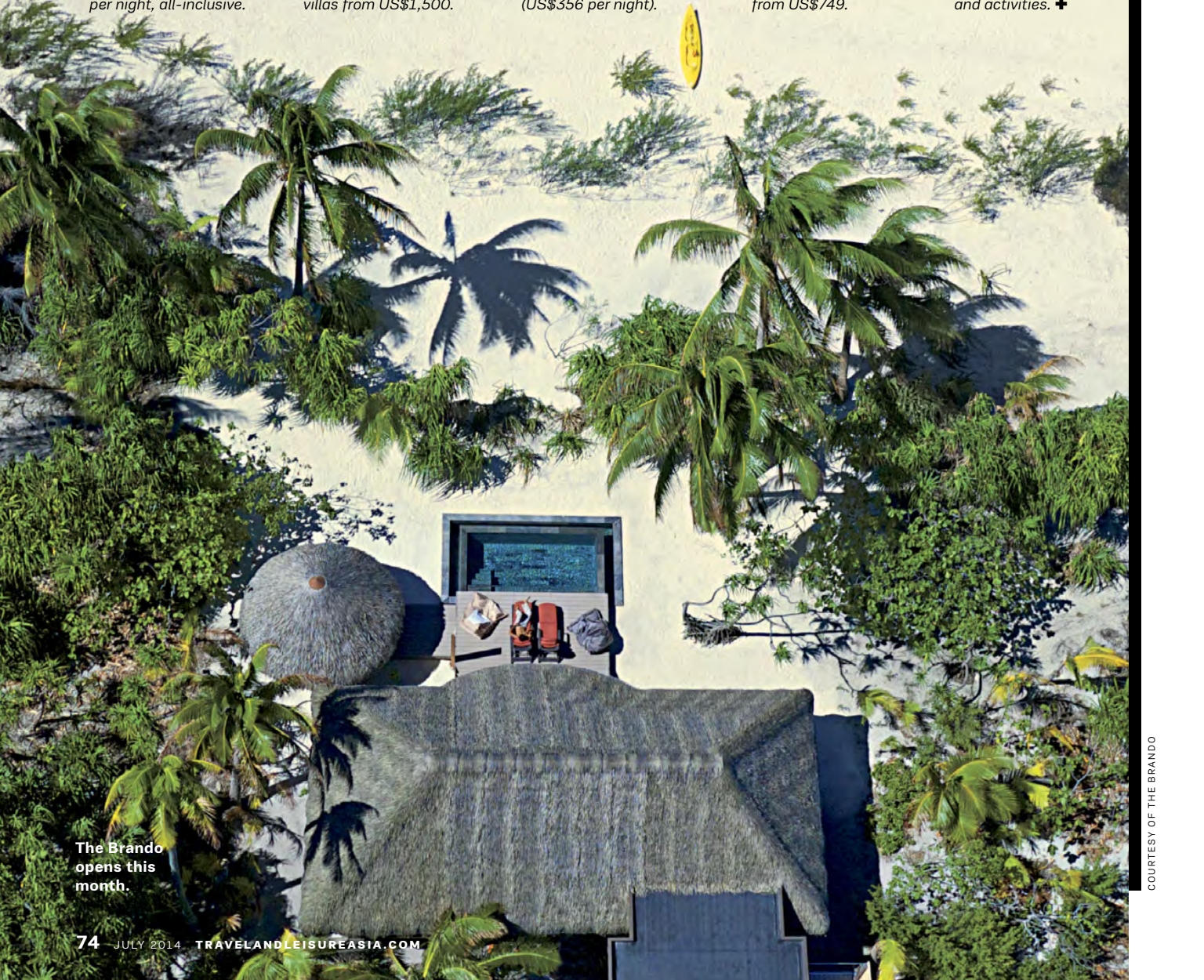
Enchanted Island Resort

A mere 10 villas, each with its own infinity pool, adorn this 2-hectare speck of sand in Sainte Anne Marine Park. Not a single tree was chopped in construction—yet another thing to feel good about as you sip cocktails at the Castaway Bar. jaresortshotels.com; villas from US\$749.

MALAYSIA

Gem Island Resort & Spa

This eco-oasis in the heart of a marine conservation park is just the spot to kick back after a day of kayaking, diving or checking out the turtle sanctuary. gemisland.com.my; two-night packages from RM1,700 (RM850 per night), double, inclusive of some meals and activities. +



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