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THESE 19 SPECIAL HOTEL AMENITIES ARE WAITING FOR YOU AT GREEN PEARLS® PARTNERS



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In addition to the hotel facilities themselves, it is often the amenities that make a hotel special. In the international hotel industry, there is fierce competition for hotel amenities that no one else offers. Sometimes this takes on bizarre proportions... (a bath made of Orbeez, yoga with flamingos, fresh flowers IN the toilet every day...). This no longer has much to do with sustainability. Here are 18 hotel extras that are both special and sustainable.

HANDWRITTEN WELCOME



Taking the time for guests | ©Hotel Bella Vista Zermatt

In these days of push-up alerts and animated image greetings, you really have to take a second look when someone hands you a handwritten note. At the **Hotel Bella Vista Zermatt** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/hotel-bella-vista-zermatt/>), they take the trouble to write a welcome card for each guest. It comes with homemade cookies. You can't get a more personal welcome than that!

SLEEPING BEACH CHAIR



A night in a sleeping beach chair is one of the hotel specials. © Lifestylehotel SAND

At **Lifestylehotel SAND** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/sand-lifestylehotel/>), on the Baltic Sea, you'll sleep in naturally furnished hotel rooms on natural coconut mattresses. But you can also rent the SAND sleeping basket on the rooftop platform for a true outdoor experience and sleep under the stars. Another surprise: there's a late riser breakfast until 1 pm!

WELCOME KIT FOR PETS



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Your pet is welcome at the **Relais del Maro** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/relais-del-marro/>) in Liguria, Italy, without additional fees – in fact, the 4-star hotel, which is an Albergo Diffuso, will even give your pet a welcome kit. Another attention for you: fresh flowers every day. If you stay longer than four nights, you will also receive a self-written guide to the region with tips for excursions.

RESTORED FARMHOUSE CUPBOARDS



The lovingly restored farmhouse cupboards are a sustainable hotel extra. © Gut Sonnenhausen

A cupboard is one of the simplest 2-star hotel categories. But most of them are not special... That's not the case at **Gut Sonnenhausen** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/gut-sonnenhausen/>), south of Munich. Here, in the rooms of the restored farmhouse, you'll find antique farmhouse cupboards that have been restored by hand. Landlord Georg Schweisfurth is an eco-pioneer, master butcher, author, entrepreneur, hotelier, art collector and aesthete. Important here: "Nothing should be off-the-shelf, but everything should be the result of a conscious decision, coupled with the courage to skillfully break with style."

KAISERSCHMARRN FOR BREAKFAST EVERY DAY



Kaiserschmarrn with apple sauce is said to have been a favorite of Emperor Franz and his wife Sissi. IMAGE: Wikimedia Commons

The Naturresort Gerbehof (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/naturresort-gerbehof/>) is located on the German side of Lake Constance, close to Austria and Switzerland. As a result, the cuisine is closely related, and you'll get a sweet Kaiserschmarrn breakfast with homemade applesauce every morning. The difference between Kaiserschmarrn and pancakes is that Kaiserschmarrn is made with whipped egg whites.

CONTEMPORARY ART EXHIBITIONS



Contemporary Art © Paradiso Pure.Living

Paradiso Pure.Living (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/paradiso-pure-living/>), has a contemporary art gallery called **Pure.Art Circle** (<https://pureartcircle.com/en/>). The hotel on the Alpe di Siusi offers ongoing meetings with artists, art performances and even an art shop.

VEGAN PICNIC LUNCH BOX



See the flowers in the salad? © LA VIMEA

At the South Tyrolean hotel **LA VIMEA** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/la-vimea/>), the first vegan hotel in Italy, they're big on healthy eating. One of the hotel's extras is a sustainable and creative lunch box for excursions. Always with a handwritten message.

YOGA MAT IN THE ROOM



©HUBERUS Mountain Refugio Allgäu

At the **HUBERTUS Mountain Refugio Allgäu** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/hotel-hubertus/>), guests have a yoga mat in their room. A yoga room, an outdoor yoga platform, and regular yoga retreats are among the other features of this sustainable hotel. Other hotel amenities you won't find often include earplugs to block out the cowbells coming from the alpine pasture, and in-room teas that are always seasonal.

THANK-YOU-CARDS MADE FROM FLOWER SEED PAPER



Not only a farewell gift for guests, but also for the bees at home: At the SCHWARZWALD PANORAMA (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/schwarzwald-panorama/>), in Bad Herrenalb, travelers receive a thank-you card made of flower seed paper. The card can either be written during the vacation and sent to loved ones at home, or one can write one's own wishes on the card and give it to the earth. After some time and a little care, you will be able to enjoy colorful wildflowers.

SIGNATURE MESSAGES



Special signature massages that you can only get here. @Adler Lodge Ritten

Both the ADLER Lodge RITTEN (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/adler-lodge-ritten/>) in South Tyrol and the ADLER Spa Resort SICILIA (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/adler-spa-resort-sicilia/>) in Sicily have developed special massages. A Signature Treatment Massage lasts 105 minutes and stimulates all five senses. Combined with the unique scenery of each location, this promises pure relaxation.

BEER IN THE SPA



© David Johansson, Hotel Klosterbräu

“Only at **Hotel Klosterbräu**

(<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/hotel-klosterbraeu/>), in Seefeld, Tyrol, can you find the beer miracle in the wellness area’s sin cellar,” says the hotel. Klosterbräu beer is brewed in-house and bubbles from a beer fountain in the spa area. There are also “apple stations” throughout the hotel, a guglhupf awaits you upon arrival, and the elevator “hides a delicious surprise”.



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CHEFS TO ASK



Look over the chef’s shoulder in the open kitchen. © STURM

At **STURM** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/hotel-sturm/>), in Mellrichstadt in the Rhön region of Germany, the kitchen concept has been changed to an open kitchen. The chefs are trained to “configure” the food to your exact liking while cooking, and are also available to answer questions. Ingredients include fruits, herbs and vegetables from the hotel’s own garden (<https://green-travel-blog.com/plant-something-yourself/>).

LOCAL GIFTS



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At **Inkaterra Hotels** (<https://www.inkaterra.com/>), in Peru, guests receive gifts that are typical of the country. These can be cosmetics, jewelry or little “toritos”. You will find the hotel extras in your room as a surprise on your bed.

HERBAL COSMETICS



The [Summit Lodges Pfunds](https://www.greenpearls.com/vacation-rentals/summit-lodges-pfunds-en/) (<https://www.greenpearls.com/vacation-rentals/summit-lodges-pfunds-en/>), in Tyrol are two exceptional log cabin-style vacation homes. “Especially for our guests, we have created a raised bed with various herbs,” they say. Here you can help yourself. You can also purchase sustainable skin care products from the “Tiroler Kräuterhof”.

HOMEMADE LAVENDER BAGS



Lavender grows all around the vacation-apartments. © Gut Guntrams

At **Gut Guntrams** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/gut-guntrams/>) near Vienna, you'll sleep in unusual, floating accommodations above fruit trees and surrounded by lavender fields. The lavender is harvested twice a year, dried and filled into **lavender bags** (https://green-travel-blog.com/green_pearls_insighs/10-easy-ways-to-use-lavender/), for guests. You can take them home with you.

MENU ACCORDING TO YOUR MOOD



©Klosterhof – Alpine Hideaway & Spa, PHOTO: Günter Standl

Since July, the daily evening menu at **Klosterhof – Alpine Hideaway & Spa** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/klosterhof-alpine-hideaway-spa/>) has been based on the motto “Your mood defines your food”. The question is: “What kind of gourmet are you today? Extravagant, down to earth or curious?”

HONEY FROM THE MEADOWS



Bees live on the hotel grounds. © Naturresort Schindelbruch

At the **Naturresort Schindelbruch** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/naturresort-schindelbruch/>), in the southern Harz region, you can buy honey from the Kolbe migratory apiary in the hotel shop. The beehives are located in the meadows surrounding the hotel.

HOTEL AMENITIES: SURPRISES ON THE BED



At Keemala, you will find various surprises on your bed, such as a fresh fruit basket. ©Keemala

At **Keemala** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/keemala/>), on the island of Phuket in Thailand, you'll be pampered from top to bottom. For special occasions, the team will decorate your room with nicely folded towels and decorations from natural materials such as wood and flowers.

DAILY SUSTAINABLE BEVERAGE WITH FRESH INGREDIENTS AS A HOTEL AMENITY



A different apéritif before dinner every day (with or without alcohol) © DR for Das Rübezahl

At the romantic Allgäu hotel **Das Rübezahl** (<https://www.greenpearls.com/hotels/hotel-ruebezahl/>), personal service is a top priority. For example, if you want to send a special love message, the professionals will be happy to help you organize love locks, a vintage car, a carriage, a flower heart in the hotel room, or other things. In addition, you will find many homemade products, such as a daily changing aperitif with ripe fruits/seasonal ingredients.

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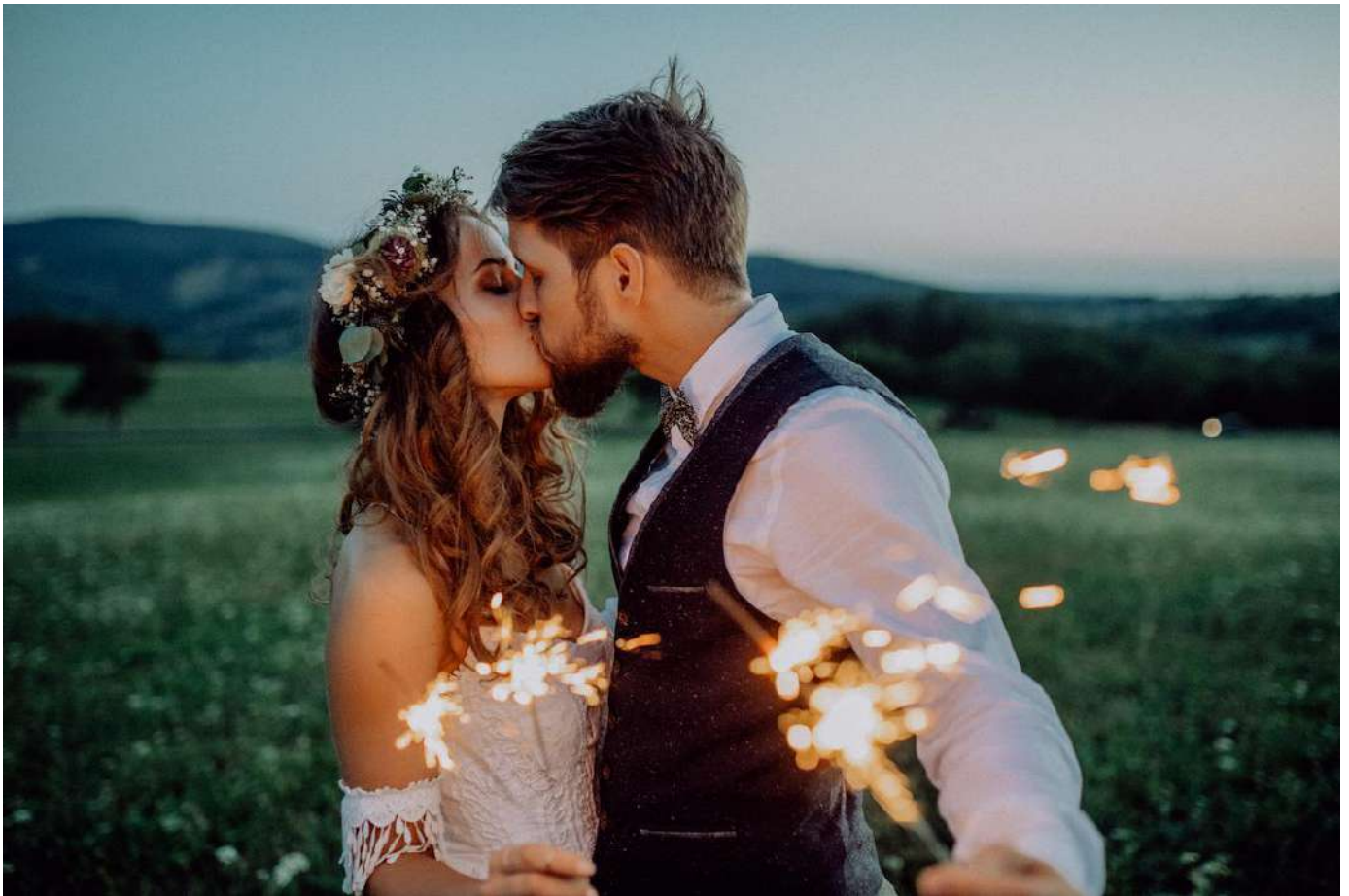
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