

## THE LOOK

Just what you need after a flight: a smooth check-in at a Zen-like lobby, and then out to what looks like a pretty whitewashed hamlet. Rooms are housed in cube-shaped buildings dotted along a stream that meanders down to the beach; inside, they're all seaside whites and blues.



Lindian Village's own private wedding chapel

## THE FOOD

If you're too chilled to go out (it's likely), you've got five restaurants to choose from - Thai, Greek, seafood, international buffet or light bites. ELLE loved the vegetable briam and goat's cheese rolls at rooftop Greek eatery Basil, with its candlelit tables under starry skies; and the grilled squid and sea views at Astroscopus.



HOT HOTEL

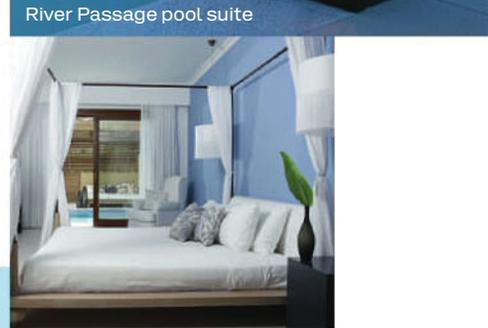
# Lindian Village

With cobbled paths, lantern-lit bridges set against a backdrop of distant mountains and low-rise buildings adding to the sense of space, it is impossible not to feel relaxed at Lindian Village. Thirty-eight of the 161 rooms have their own pools, and there are so many public places to hang out (indoor and outdoor pools, four-poster day beds on the beach, an open-air gym, village square...) it never feels crowded, even at the height of summer. Guests are a multinational mix of honeymooners, regular couples and a sprinkling of young families; but there is no kids' club, which spares it from the brunt of the summer family invasion.

# Rhodes



Kohilo restaurant



River Passage pool suite

## WELLBEING

The free al-fresco pilates and stretch classes are worth getting up for, held under a tree by the sea; or, for more hardcore fitness, there's an open-air gym, tennis courts and watersports aplenty. At the (mostly) Ayurvedic spa, you'll find a hammam and indoor pool. For a quick rejuvenator, try a honey or chocolate massage - sticky, but very effective.

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Lindian Village, Rhodes

## HANDY FOR

You'll go into Instagram overdrive in nearby Lindos, with its cobbled lanes and mini acropolis. The shopping (markets and boutiques with particularly good jewellery) and buzzy bars compensate for the peak-season people jams. The hotel is just an hour from the airport, and there are great beaches - Lardos is especially lovely - a short drive away.

**i** Easyjet ([easyjet.com](http://easyjet.com)), flies from Gatwick to Rhodes for around £200 return. Lindian Village ([lindianvillage.gr](http://lindianvillage.gr)) has doubles from £106, B&B. Hertz ([hertz.gr/en](http://hertz.gr/en)) offers car hire from £15 a day. Visit [marketinggreece.com](http://marketinggreece.com) for information.

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