

ĀMAN
SVETI STEFAN





In a country famed for its beauty, the most iconic images associated with Montenegro are of the tiny islet named Sveti Stefan. Attached to the coast by a narrow isthmus (*above*), the island lies across the bay from Villa Miločer (*left*), and together these two historic sites comprise Aman Sveti Stefan.



Once a fortified village dating back to the 15th century, the island of Sveti Stefan is a uniquely atmospheric setting of cobbled lanes, quaint courtyards and remarkable sea views. The open-air square at its centre – the Piazza (*left*) – is the heart and soul of the village and features a number of dining venues including an enoteca, taverna and antipasti bar.



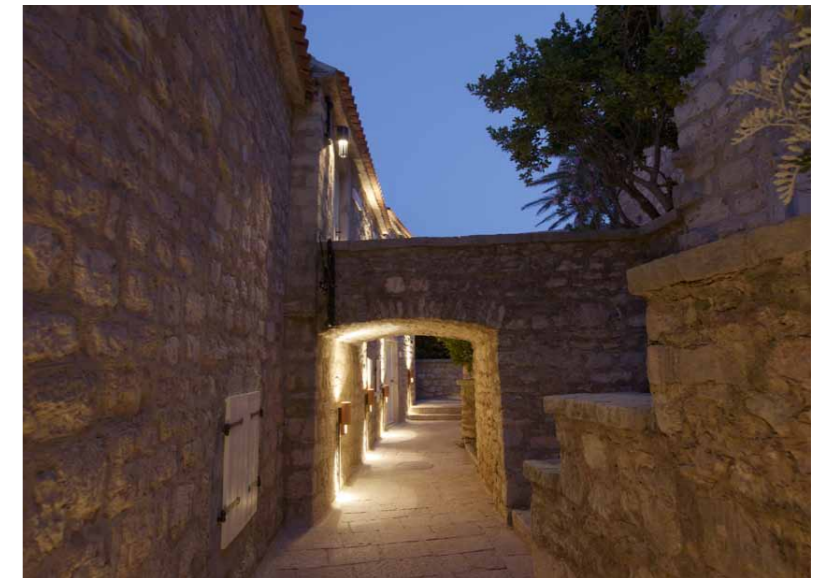


Set on a cliff overlooking the Adriatic Sea, the pool is surrounded by a wooden deck which features sun loungers and tables and chairs for casual dining. Light meals can be enjoyed throughout the day.





Housed in sturdy stone structures, Aman Sveti Stefan offers 50 rooms, cottages and suites on the island, all accessed via individually-named stone footpaths and staircases which follow the organic contours of the village.





Accommodation on the island is divided into Village Rooms, Cottages, Deluxe Cottages (*pictured*), Seaview Terrace Cottages, Grand Suites, the Adriatic Suite and the Sveti Stefan Suite. Every room, cottage and suite on the island is completely unique, just as one would expect from a place which evolved from a 15th-century fortress.



Priority in designing the interiors was given to preserving the original walls to remind one of the village's origins. Furniture was designed especially for the island and much of the detailing, from the latches to the doors and windows, is based on what would have been on the island originally.





Rooms, cottages and suites are decorated in a subtly elegant fashion, providing every modern comfort whilst retaining the historic air and ambience of the island. Cottages (*pictured*) offer a spacious bedroom with king-size bed, an adjacent living room with writing desk and a generously-proportioned bathroom with twin vanities.





The Sveti Stefan Suite (*pictured*) has its own private swimming pool and exceptional sea views. The private sitting room (*centre right*) features a fireplace, ideal for the cooler months of the year.





Guests can enjoy a range of massage and body treatments in one of the six spa cottages scattered over the island. There is also a fully-equipped gym.





Leaving the island and returning to the mainland, one finds a number of different dining options – all part of Aman Sveti Stefan.

OLIVE TREE: Invoking the ambience of a beachside *churrasqueria*, Olive Tree is open for lunch and dinner, and specialises in regional and local Montenegrin cuisine. The restaurant offers a bar and two signature charcoal-fired grills, as well as views of Sveti Stefan Island and its beaches.





BEACH CAFÉ: The Beach Café is located in a secluded spot and provides informal dining throughout the day. Shaded by cypress and olive trees, the al fresco setting is ideal for a selection of light snacks and a simple café menu.





VILLA MILOČER - LOGGIA: Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Loggia (*left and above right*) features a wisteria-covered colonnade which provides a shady retreat and views of the bay.



VILLA MILOČER - DINING ROOM: Serving a variety of classic and contemporary dishes from the Adriatic region for breakfast, lunch and dinner, the Dining Room (*below left*) is an elegant and intimate dining space.





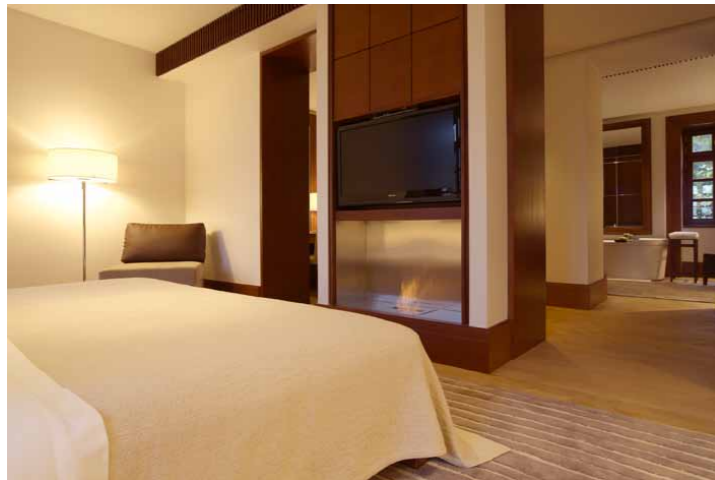
Once the summer residence of Queen Marija Karađorđević, Villa Miločer is an integral part of Aman Sveti Stefan and houses a number of elegant suites. Overlooking Miločer Beach, this storied stone manse is surrounded by more than 800 olive trees and embraced on three sides by ancient cedar and pine forests.



Villa Miločer offers a total of eight suites. The six spacious Suites (*pictured*) feature parquet floors warmed by woollen rugs and a fireplace. Each of the suites has a Juliet-style balcony with views either over the sea towards the island of Sveti Stefan or of the gardens.



The two Queen Marija Suites (*pictured*) are housed in a separate structure – one on the ground floor with a small terrace, the other upstairs with ocean views. Each includes four separate rooms: a bedroom, bathroom, living room and dining room. A fireplace is located in both the living room and bedroom of each suite.



Other facilities in Villa Miločer (from left to right) include the comfortable Living Room with its large picture windows, a fully-equipped meeting room and a spacious library with a wide selection of books in several languages.



Villa Miločer provides easy access to Queen's Beach (below), situated in the next cove from Miločer Beach. An Aman Spa set back from the beach and tucked behind the pine trees is planned for 2013.





QUEEN'S CHAIR: Perched atop a rocky precipice, Queen's Chair offers breathtaking views of the Bay of Budva. Open from 6pm, the restaurant specialises in Pan-Adriatic fare with a distinctive Italian feel. Local cheeses, garden-fresh salads and homemade pastas are served on the expansive terrace along with hand-selected local wines.

Aman Sveti Stefan's distinctive cuisine can also be enjoyed on sunset cruises (*below*) as well as on picnics and other excursions.





Ostrog Monastery

Montenegro is one of the Mediterranean's hidden gems. It is a land of rugged snow-capped mountains, ancient forests and pristine lakes, where ancient monasteries cling to rocky cliffs and imposing stone churches speak of centuries past. Its capital and largest city is Podgorica, while Cetinje is designated as the old royal capital and the former seat of the throne.



Budva Kosmac Fort



Boka Bay



Kotor Old Town



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Skadar Lake

Aman Sveti Stefan offers personalised guided excursions to scenic and cultural attractions along the Montenegrin coast and into the spectacular interior of the country. These include boating on the Adriatic, visiting the old towns of Budva and Cetinje and the beautifully-preserved baroque city of Perast, discovering peaceful Skadar Lake and exploring the Bay of Kotor, a World Heritage Site. Cycling, bird watching and wine tasting can also be arranged.





For more than 600 years the island of Sveti Stefan has been home to a cluster of stone cottages and churches with cheerful red-tiled roofs tucked amongst hardy evergreen trees. Today the village has been reborn as Aman Sveti Stefan.

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