

BETTER IN THE DARK

The best night-time experiences across hotels in India and beyond. By **Arundhati Ail**

GREAT PLAINS CONSERVATION Get cosy under a duvet in a star bed at Great Plains Conservation's ol Donyo Lodge. Out in the African savannah, allow the beauty of the night to take over. Free of pollution or city lights, the clear night sky with stars glittering like diamonds is a sight to behold. greatplainsconservation.com

W MALDIVES Go snorkelling or diving at night with a special black-light torch to see biofluorescent marine life. Spend the day enjoying the pretty shores at the island property, and once night sets in, set out on

the dive. The pitch darkness comes alive with the luminous creatures, and is sure to leave you spellbound. marriott.com

RAMBAGH PALACE, JAIPUR Immerse yourself in the glory of Rajputana at the majestic Rambagh Palace. Embrace the romance of the night with the Hawa Mahal experience. Dinner begins with a shower of rose petals from traditionally dressed hostesses as you enter your private dining area. Your personal butler will bring you sparkling wine, followed by a curated meal from the royal kitchen. tajhotels.com

CONRAD BENGALURU After a long day in the city, unwind at Tiamo, the hotel's al fresco restaurant. Grab a cabana by the pool to enjoy Bengaluru's cool night air with Mediterranean food and shimmering views of Ulsoor Lake. hilton.com

GRAND HYATT GOA Elevate your dinner with Grand Hyatt Goa's special FlyDining experience. Dine in the sky with panoramic views of the resort's sprawling lawns and the moonlit sea beyond. There's also live music to give your adventurous meal a background score. hyatt.com →

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