

# TATTLER



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## PRIVATE ESCAPES

Wouldn't it be completely awesome if somebody just whipped together a list of the prettiest, loveliest, smartest, coolest houses to rent, all over the world? From the ones you need at your fingertips right now (the British weekender cottages and the villas in the Med) to the ones you don't even know you want yet, but you will (a little Goan colonial number or a Canadian heli-skiing whopper). So here it is. Ta-dah! The most unbelievably helpful feature you will read this month – in fact, probably this year. These are the crash pads that will actually make your holiday feel like a holiday. Please cut it out and keep it, every page. Pin it to the fridge. Staple it to your son's forehead. Tattoo it up your arm. Hiring a house can be a gamble, so we've taken away the risk and tried the very best, you lucky, lucky people...

SULUWILO HOUSE, VAMIZI, MOZAMBIQUE





## SAN LORENZO MOUNTAIN LODGE

DOLOMITES, ITALY

The Dolomites are where the smart people go to ski, to spa and to feast on the blissfully bilingual grub (the German influence brings sticky strudels). Lovingly spruced up by Giorgia and Stefano Barbini, this former

hunting lodge, perched at 1,200 metres in the Val Pusteria, sleeps six big bears in Alpine-chic bedrooms and four little ones in a Goldilocks bunkroom. The Barbinis enlivened the worn timber, stone and slate interiors, pairing them with locally sourced wooden furniture and awesome materials – woollen cushions, rabbit and cashmere throws, blankets handmade from wolf and coyote skin. It's cutesy and rustic but underfloor heating, finger-clicking-fast wi-fi and shiny, slick bathrooms bring it bang up to speed.

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