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Travel news

Find your personal paradise on the private islands of Fiji or discover the best vintages on a tailored wine excursion to Spain

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TRAVEL TIPS

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Short haul

San Sebastián, Spain

Fine wine and cultural escapes make a heady combination for any wine connoisseur. Brown + Hudson's partnership with Mayfair's very own Hedonism Wines now offers bespoke voyages to the cultures of your favourite wines. A love for the grapes of the Rioja variety can transport you to north-eastern Spain to the Bñesi. Rioja houses where locals involve you in all the culture of Basque life: hikes across the rolling hills and the Basque tradition of El Txakri, a gastronomic bar crawl sampling delicious pinxos appears. Under the tutelage of a master sommelier guests can taste decades-old vintages and gain direct insights from the growers who have dedicated their lives to the grape. What better excuse to partake in Basque fiestas and folk dancing? (brownandhudson.com)

Long haul

Vomo Island Resort, Fiji

With crystalline blue waters and white sand beaches, Fiji's Vomo Island Resort offers a postcard-perfect picture of paradise. The resort's private villas are opening this month after extensive renovations including two additional beachfront villas with custom-made furnishings (not that you would want to be spending much time inside when there are sweeping views across the Pacific outside). Indulgence is Vomo Islands' distinguishing factor, which can be glimpsed through the newly upgraded Senikai Spa, boutique and wealth of secluded private decks; a favoured spot for sipping cocktails come sunset. (www.vomo.com)

"Travel is more than the seeing of sights; it is a change that goes on, deep and permanent, in the ideas of living" - Miriam Beard