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Join the Club

Private residence clubs, including the new Palazzo Ricci in Italy, offer perks without homeowner headaches



Membership, as we all know, has its privileges. Over the past couple of years, travelers have been clamoring to join private residence clubs, which combine ownership interest in a vacation property with five-star resort amenities and plenty of perks. Four Seasons has a bevy of them (Punta Mita, Jackson Hole), as does Ritz-Carlton (Vail, St. Thomas). Now, more intimate options are popping up as well.

Have you always dreamed of owning an Italian palazzo but never wanted to deal with the stress and complications of, well, ownership? Next year, **Palazzo Ricci**, an elegantly restored 220-year-old palace in Casoli, Abruzzo, will open, offering 14 individual residences (ranging from one to three bedrooms), along with an owners' lounge, Roman bath, fitness center, outdoor pool, and

garden. Membership starts at \$100,000 and guarantees five and a half weeks of living *la dolce vita* each year, as well as a partnership with the Elite Alliance Exchange Group, which grants exchange privileges at 135 other properties (the Island Sky Residence Club in St. John, perhaps?). Since you won't have to worry about maintenance, decorating, or any other home-owner nonsense, you can while away your days exploring

Clockwise from above: views of the Apennine Mountains; the palazzo's interior; the hilltop location

the Medieval town of Casoli or popping over to the coast for a dip in the Adriatic. It's your vacation, after all.

palazzoricci.club



LISTING OF THE MONTH

A Palm Desert Escape

Desperate to escape this cold winter? Lucky for you, this light-filled, mid-century Palm Desert home is on the market, offering the perfect retreat from the cold (not to mention a great reason to throw a party). Located on an oversize corner lot, the property features a swimming pool, a sauna, an outdoor kitchen, and a huge, beautifully landscaped yard filled with cacti and palm trees—a true desert oasis. The interior is just as stunning, thanks to an extensive makeover by Pineapple Ranch Design that incorporates natural stones and wood and vintage materials. Another fun perk? The house comes with a Shelby Cobra golf cart—perfect for zipping around town. 73033 Joshua Tree St., Palm Desert, California; 3,460 square feet, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 bathrooms; \$2.995 million, compass.com



THE UPGRADE

The Citizenry Pillows

It's a fact: You can never have too many pillows. Some, however, are better than others. **The Citizenry** collaborates with artisans all around the globe—the home retailer is the first in the world to have all of its products guaranteed by the World Fair Trade Organization—and each of the resulting handmade pillows feels like a gorgeous souvenir from a far-flung journey. Take this Las Artes pillow (pictured), which is handwoven from sheep's wool in Lima, Peru, and will add a warm splash of color to any room. \$150, the-citizenry.com

