

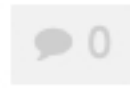
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5 Best Destinations for Winter Sun

Looking for a place in the (winter) sun? Daisy Finer's found the best spots...



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Plan now for something to look forward to, says Daisy Finer. As the winter fast approaches and the summer sun seems so far away, head to one of these five great destinations to get your fill of vitamin D. You won't regret it...

5 of the Best Destinations for Winter Sun

3. Kata Rocks, Phuket, Thailand



There can be no better place for a sundowner and a sunset view than this chic white gleaming resort, perched on the southern tip of Phuket in [Kata on the rocks](#) (the name's a bit of a giveaway). Only three years old, its sophisticated vibe – there are 34 sky lodges with one to four bedrooms, all coming with snazzy kitchens, living areas, private pools, everything controlled by iPad and your own 'rock star' (a naff name but basically a personal butler) – is most apparent come evening when a smart crowd arrives to drink lemongrass-infused cocktails by the infinity pool to a cool soundtrack before feasting on sizzling chilli tiger prawns or a killer Thai beef salad. And there's nowhere more comforting to retreat to after an afternoon's shopping in Patong (ten-minute vaginal lifts, tattoo parlours and the Tiger Night Club are non-essentials) than the award-winning spa with its sumptuous Ila product-based treatments. The Thais can't be faulted when it comes to massage – they're just naturals and with all the superb stretching, strong hands and unctuous oils – you leave smelling like an oriental herb garden and feeling at least two inches taller.

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