

# HOUSE & GARDEN®

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## Who's who in 2023

TOP 100 INTERIOR  
DESIGNERS  
AND ARCHITECTS

TOP 50 GARDEN  
DESIGNERS  
+ 25 RISING STARS



PERFECT SUMMER PICNIC RECIPES  
THE MAKING OF A CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW GARDEN  
FABRICS FROM CASTLE HOWARD'S ARCHIVE





FROM TOP The lush walled garden at the beautifully renovated Villa La Tourelle. A round tower overlooks the inviting swimming pool at Villa La Tourelle. Villa Rêve de Lumière's stylish open-plan living area



## HERE COMES THE SUN

With the promise of idyllic landscapes, sublime service and distinctive design, a stay at one of Purple Summer's Côte d'Azur villas will remind you that there is nowhere quite like St Tropez

The very name St Tropez conjures images of the glamorous 1960s jet set, soaking up the sun on gleaming yachts or strolling along sugar-soft sands. And the passing decades have done nothing to dull the timeless allure of the French Riviera. Realising this, the luxury holiday specialist Purple Summer – which has spent over 30 years facilitating amazing Alpine get-aways under the name Purple Ski – has recently used its vast experience to create bespoke escapes on the coast as well as in the mountains. Purple Summer's properties span the Spanish island of Mallorca and the French Côte d'Azur, with two villas in St Tropez now hand-picked to join its exclusive roster.

The first, Villa Rêve de Lumière, is a striking hillside retreat with stunning views of the bay. Sleeping 12 and featuring a cinema room, boules court, hammam, a palm-fringed terrace and an expansive infinity pool, it is well-equipped for a multi-generation family break. Centrally located yet in a quiet corner of St Tropez, Villa La Tourelle is a 14th-century rectory stylishly renovated by local architect François Vieillecroze. The interior has been modernised without losing any of its character and charm. Distinctive elements include a wall of water in the dining room, winding staircases and a tower above a walled garden.

From arranging scuba-diving sessions and supercar tours to providing seamless service throughout your stay, the expert staff at Purple Summer will go above and beyond to ensure your dream holiday. Both full- and flexible-board options are available, with in-villa dining courtesy of a private chef; feasts of fresh seafood and seasonal vegetables can be enjoyed on the terrace with a glass of local wine as the sun goes down. A stay in a Purple Summer villa will allow you to discover St Tropez as it is meant to be explored – in true style. [purplesummer.com](http://purplesummer.com)