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With Southeast Asia's urban property markets hot to the point where governments have to impose restrictive measures to cool down frenzied investment; resort properties have become a popular alternative for buyers looking to maximise capital.

“We've seen a defined evolution of hotel managed residences and they are now moving up the development cycle into a more mature market,” says Bill Barnett, founder and managing director of Asia-based hospitality and property consulting firm C9 Hotelworks. “For management companies the interest is not so much in the license fees, but the broader connection to property developers who aside from residential, want to diversity risk into recurring hotel operating properties.”

In popular beachside locations across the region, a choice of property types can now be purchased either freehold, leasehold or with specified usage and rental pool schemes to generate yields when owners are not staying in their property. The buyers of resort residences also enjoy a full range of hospitality services, as well as additional privileges such as discounts on F&B, recreation and transport. This makes for a two-fold investment that combines financial opportunities with lifestyle returns.

For this issue, the editorial team at *Property Report* selected 15 properties that we feel represent the Best Resort Residences 2013, based on factors such as location, design, investment potential, onsite facilities and services for residents.





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## Samujana, Koh Samui, Thailand

**Location:** On a west coast hillside near Choeng Mon with private beach access  
**Residences:** Three- to seven-bedroom private seaview and oceanfront villas.  
**Facilities:** Private swimming pools, floodlit tennis court, basketball court, championship boxing ring and commercial grade gymnasium. Phase 2 villas feature private cinemas. Thai and international chefs are available as private chefs to cook in the villa.  
**Price:** From US\$1,350,000