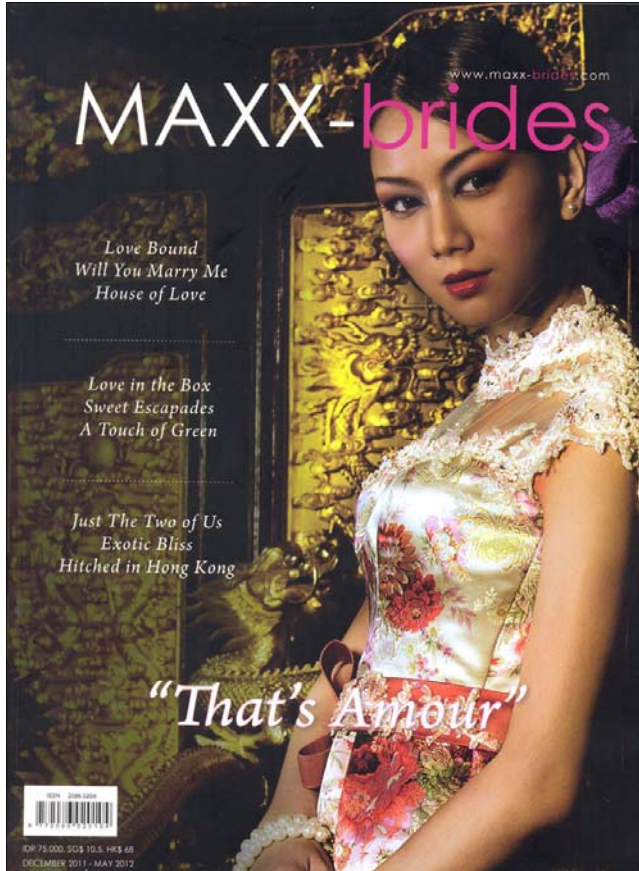


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Text by Thomas Jones

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Literally meaning "On Top of the Waves" in the Indonesian language, Atas Ombak couldn't be more aptly named. Villa Atas Ombak was built on 100 metres of beachfront in the mid-90s and is a testament to the combination of the perfect location and old-school Bali style. The cool wind blows over the sound of the waves, leaving nothing to the imagination about where in the world you are – on the beach in lovely, tropical Bali.

Villa Atas Ombak was one of the pioneers of top-end destination villas in Bali and despite the encroaching northwards sprawl, the peace and solitude of this location remains undisturbed as when the ground was first broken. Filled with frangipanis and fig trees, coconut palms and wealth and charm, this is a property with plenty of elbow room, and is indeed the biggest private villa of its kind close to Seminyak. They certainly don't build them like this anymore.

It is considered to be one of Bali's most luxurious villas, and has achieved considerable editorial coverage in fashion and lifestyle publications from around the world. From location fashion shoots in Marie Claire to articles on luxury accommodation in magazines such as Vogue, Villa Atas Ombak continues to define and represent the Bali Dream. It is one of Bali's most popular wedding venues thanks to its magnificent location and large, flat garden area, and is capable of hosting ceremonies and receptions for anywhere from 150 seated to 300 standing guests.

Apart from breathtaking sunset views, the villa has a large swimming pool, a main building with three bedrooms, a large entertainment pavilion that functions as an open-air living room and two separate ocean-view rooms. White on white décor intensifies the glorious blue of the sea and the greens of the lawns and trees, glimpsed from every room. It sleeps 10 and has massive gardens making it a stellar place for large wedding gatherings, with the added advantage of ample play areas for kids (for your friends who married before you!).

One extra advantage that Atas Ombak has is that right behind it lies Eden Villas, a complex of 164 ultra-modern apartments with a total of 55 combined luxury rooms that can house even the largest invite list for any society wedding.

[www.atasombak.com](http://www.atasombak.com)

### Pantal Lima: Five on the Beach

Blessed with the perfect beachfront location, Pantal Lima is an exclusive estate of super-luxury villas built right on the Bali beachfront at Pererenan, an unspoiled fishing community a short drive north of Seminyak, the island's centre of sophisticated shopping, restaurants and nightlife.

Pantal Lima's beauty, seclusion and secure facilities are proving a haven for people looking for total privacy for their nuptials. "For the most part, couples who choose Pantal Lima are the young people one sees in the society pages of European, American and Asian fashion magazines, as well as a growing number from the entertainment world," says Mathias Echeine, one of the owners of Pantal Lima. Echeine is of the opinion that this is due to Pantal Lima's unique ambience, which sets it apart from other venues on the island. "Where I think we do extremely well is providing an atmosphere which combines a very contemporary Western approach with the serenity and charm that epitomizes Bali," he says.

Pantal Lima comprises five luxurious beachfront villas, each completely different in design and ambience, and situated in such a way that guests will feel like they are the only ones on the property. They are all individually named by the owners: Villa Waringin, Villa Mary, Villa Melissa, Sound of the Sea and Villa Ambra, names as evocative as the location where they sit.

Each is truly spacious, beautifully appointed and completely private with gardens and pools that are satisfyingly vast. What makes Pantal Lima perfect for weddings is its size, its huge kitchen and complement of 70 staff, and the fact that virtually the whole wedding party can stay onsite. Pantal Lima offers 26 double bedrooms with several sleeping configurations, that's 52 residents in luxurious and complete comfort, more than enough to accommodate the biggest of families. The executive chef, Frenchman Sebastian Robouchon, and his team of sous chefs provide an eclectic menu, which includes classic French cooking, nouvelle cuisine, as well as Indonesian and Asian fusion food, whatever suits your mood.

The villas are more than large enough to cater for a memorable multi-course wedding banquet for 60 guests, or as many as 300 to enjoy canapés, cocktails and Champagne. More than that, Villa Mary's grounds are so spacious that as many as 250 guests can comfortably enjoy a sit-down dinner.

As a wedding venue, Pantal Lima is as romantic as the day is long. True Bali style in design, pure romance in effect. Only open for three years, Pantal Lima recently celebrated its 50th wedding. It must be doing something right.

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