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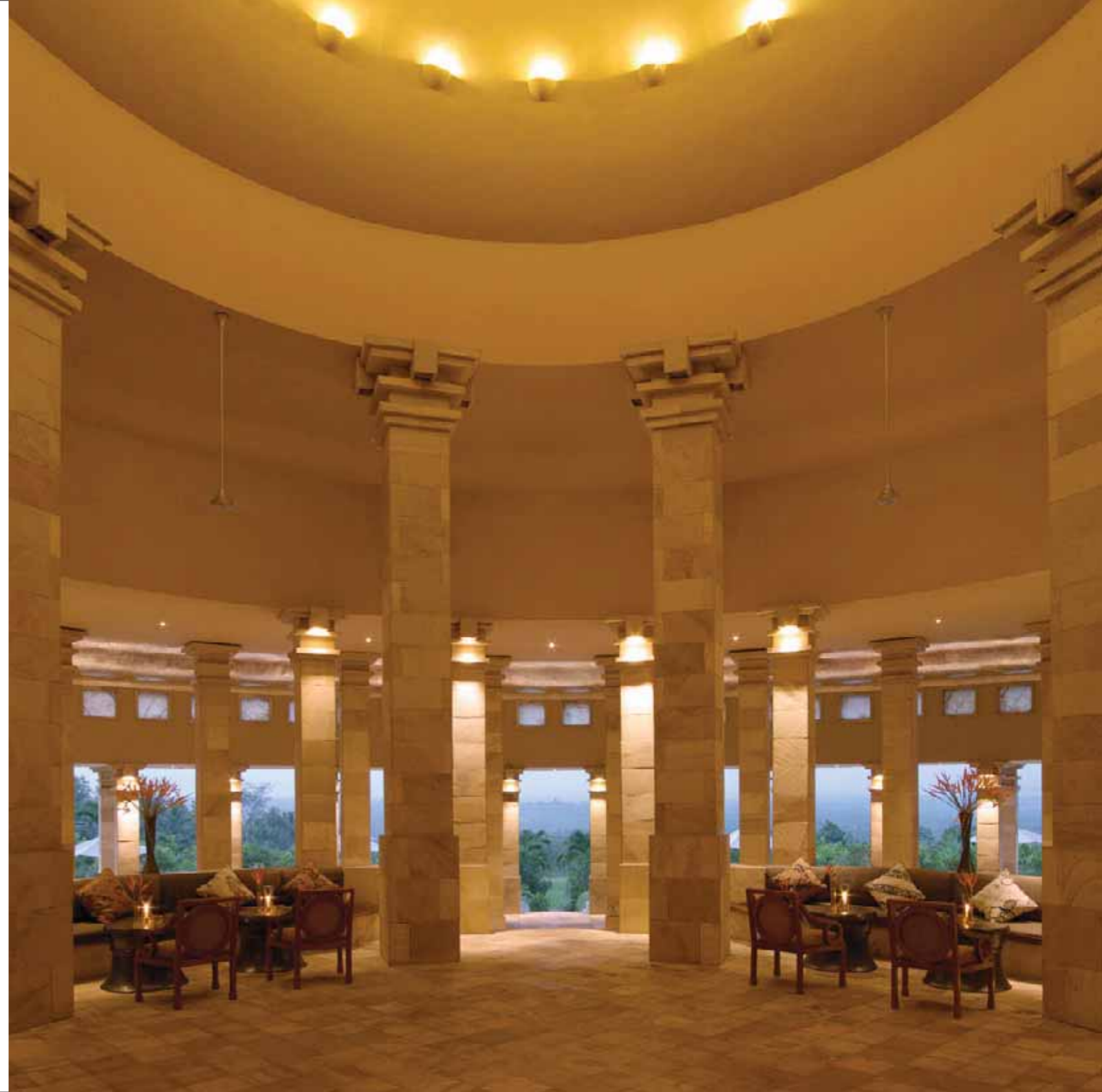




Amanjiwo (peaceful soul) rests in the countryside of Central Java, with the Menoreh Hills rising gently behind. The resort faces the Kedu Plain, and offers clear views to Borobudur, the largest Buddhist sanctuary in the world. Guests catch their first glimpse of the ancient monument, dramatically framed by the resort's regal entrance, on arrival at the resort.



Amanjiwo's main structure is a circular limestone monolith centred by a soaring bell-shaped rotunda. The airy entranceway leads to the lofty-ceilinged Bar from which one can again see Borobudur in the distance.





Marble steps lead down from The Bar to The Restaurant with its silver-leaf ceiling, drop fans, teak wood floors and gold-painted murals recreating scenes from the Hindu *Mahabharata* epic.



Both Indonesian and Western cuisines are served in Amanjiwo's dining venues. The speciality of the house is *Makan Malam*, a series of classic Javanese dishes presented in traditional brass bowls.





The 40-metre pool, lined with Yogya limestone, affords open views of the surrounding rice fields and the twin volcanic peaks of Merapi and Merbabu. Drinks, snacks and light lunches are served at the Pool Club.





Amanjiwo offers guests a large, light-filled Library, a Boutique and an Art Gallery which hosts regular exhibitions. Javanese and traditional beauty treatments are available in the specially-designed Spa Suite. A tennis court is tucked into the hills behind the resort.





Amanjiwo's main building is framed by 36 suites set in two graceful crescents. Limestone walls give shape to stone walkways that link the suites to the main building, the swimming pool (*top left*) and the Dalem Jiwo Suite (*top right*).



Amanjiwo's suites (*right*) feature domed roofs and sliding glass doors that open onto garden terraces. All suites include a thatched-roof *bale* with a daybed for outdoor lounging and dining, and 15 suites enjoy private pools. Views from the suites are of picturesque terraced farmland and the Menoreh Hills, or of Borobudur and the surrounding valley.

The Dalem Jiwo Suite (*top left*) is a discrete compound, complete with two free-standing bedroom pavilions, a central rotunda for dining or relaxing and a 15-metre, Javanese-stone swimming pool.





Each of Amanjiwo's suites features a four-pillar bed on a terrazzo platform, *sungkai* wood screens, coconut wood and rattan furniture, rawhide lamp shades, Javanese textiles and antique glass paintings.



The seven Garden Pool Suites and seven Borobudur Pool Suites each overlook their own private pool.

Bathrooms run the length of all suites and include twin terrazzo-finished vanities and outdoor sunken tubs set in walled gardens.





Amanjiwo provides an ideal base for discovery in Central Java – allowing guests to explore the region’s unique culture, centuries-old temples, vibrant markets, natural beauty and colourful festivals. Personalised excursions can be arranged by car or by bicycle, atop an elephant, on horseback or in an *andong*, the horse carts used daily by local villagers.



Among the best-preserved ancient monuments in the world, Borobudur is a short distance from Amanjiwo. The 9th-century Buddhist sanctuary features 1,460 stone relief panels and 504 life-size Buddha statues, each sculpted from a single stone. From the top gallery, one can enjoy panoramic views of Central Java, particularly beautiful at sunrise and sunset.





Surrounded by ancient monuments and volcanic mountains, royal capitals and rural markets, Amanjiwo lies in the uncommonly beautiful countryside of Central Java – Indonesia’s cultural heart.

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