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MAGNIFICENT MIDDLE EAST Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Antara is the First Luxury Pool Villa Resort in Southern Oman.

Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara opens its doors in the Sultanate of Oman bringing the luxury hospitality brand Anantara Hotels, Resorts & Spas to the coastal location of Salalah in the southern province of Dhofar on the Arabian Sea. Situated between a long, scenic beach and a freshwater lagoon, bordering the historic Al Baleed UNESCO archaeological site, the resort allows guests to discover the unique charms of southern Oman.

Conveniently located just 15 km from Salalah International Airport, Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara sits within easy reach of an abundance of cultural treasures and thrilling escapades. Famed for the riches of its wadis dotted with frankincense, coconut-fringed beaches, a wealth of archaeological sites and a profusion of tropical greenery during the summer monsoon season, Salalah offers travellers a unique destination of natural beauty. Guarded by the Dhofar mountains and edged by the shimmering blue waters of the Arabian Sea, the resort has been designed with the simple grandeur of the region's iconic coastal fortresses in mind. Striking and authentic architecture is surrounded by lush tropical gardens, with walkways framed by 750 coconut palms and eyecatching water features to create an air of tranquillity and serenity.

The resort comprises 136 guest rooms and villas offering views of the ocean, lagoon or gardens. The 40 premier and deluxe rooms offer handcrafted furnishings and rich textures, whilst the eight one-bedroom villas and 88 one- and two-bedroom pool villas entice with personalised villa host services and separate living areas.

During their stay, guests can enjoy an array of authentic experiences, from hiking up rocky cliffs to catching fish for dinner, saluting the sunset during a yoga session or simply slipping out of





their beachfront villa into the ocean. Situated in the heart of the 6,000 yearold frankincense trail, there is plenty for those with a passion for culture and history to discover such as visiting ancient ruins and heritage sites or sauntering around a *souk*.