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Whether you're driven by design, strive for seclusion or simply want a psychedelic swimming pool (yes, really), **HANNAH SUMMERS** picks the hottest hotels on the planet

Best for: Your wallet

JACK SPRAT SHACK, JAMAICA

Hostels get a bad rep. Dingy rooms, bed bugs and drunken top-bunk fumbles. But that's all in the past – particularly at Jamaica's Jack Sprat hostel in Treasure Beach on Jamaica's southwest coast. The sturdy bunk beds and simple decor are ideal for people who care about aesthetics, but are travelling on a budget. If you want an upgrade, check out Jake's Hotel from the same owners, where for £60 per room, per night, you can enjoy purple walls, tropical-print bedspreads, a brilliant location right on the beach and the annual Calabash Literary Festival, if books are your thing (and your timing's right).

How: Rates start from £16 per bunk bed, jackspratshack.com; Virgin Atlantic offers return flights from £600, virgin-atlantic.com