

JUNGLE BOOKINGS

Mowgli's on the mind with the release of Disney's blockbuster remake of *The Jungle Book*. If you're looking for a wild adventure of your own, here are four luxe jungle lodges to inspire your wanderlust.

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Wildest Dreams
A bungalow at Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge in the upper reaches of the Brazilian Amazon.

1 / Tanzania GREYSTOKE MAHALE

For an African safari in the style of Jane Goodall, this ultra-remote lodge—accessible only via private plane—offers a chance to live in the habitat of one of the world's largest populations of wild chimpanzees. Days of trekking and boating through the Mahale Mountains are matched with nights spent in six plush *bandas* on the shores of Lake Tanganyika. It's a serene setting, save for when the chimps come hooting and hollering through camp. nomad-tanzania.com; doubles from US\$655

2 / India BANJAAR TOLA TENTED CAMP

Rudyard Kipling supposedly based *The Jungle Book's* setting on the wilds of Madhya Pradesh, even though he never visited the central Indian state himself. Had Banjar Tola been around in his day, perhaps he would have made the trek. Run by Taj Safaris, the luxe riverside camp of tented suites is located in Kanha National Park, where the wildlife includes 80 Bengal tigers as well as leopards, jackals, and striped hyenas. tajsafaris.com; from US\$492 per person, all-inclusive

3 / Brazil ANAVILHANAS JUNGLE LODGE

Overlooking the black waters of the Rio Negro in the heart of the Brazilian Amazon, Anavilhanas has creature comforts aplenty: cozy thatched-roof bungalows, a bar stocked with fine South American wines, and a riverside swimming pool. There's also a 13-meter-high observation tower, but better sights come with the wealth of enticing excursions: fishing for piranhas, feeding pink river dolphins, and trekking out at night to see sloths and alligators. anavilhanaslodge.com; doubles from US\$640 for minimum two-night stay

4 / Australia SILKY OAKS LODGE

North Queensland is home to the world's oldest rain forest, Daintree National Park, and this glorious eco-lodge sits right on its edge. Tree houses and suites have marble bathrooms and polished wood floors, alongside tennis courts, a spa, and an open-air restaurant above the Mossman River. Numerous hiking trails show off the park's diverse flora and fauna, though for a change of scenery, daytrips to the Great Barrier Reef are easily arranged. silkyoakslodge.com.au; doubles from US\$305