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NIHI SUMBA *Indonesia*

There's nowhere on Earth quite like Sumba, a breathtakingly beautiful island in Indonesia where the traditional culture based on horses and the sea permeates everyday life. Its sole luxury resort, Nihi Sumba, has embraced this legacy, operating in harmony with the Sumbanese horsemen and their colourful lifestyle. Hotel guests can not only enjoy the spectacle of the resort's stable of horses wandering free along the pristine beach, but they also have the privilege of swimming with the handsome animals in the Indian Ocean. A team of equine experts, led by a resident horse whisperer, accompany guests on beach and village rides; experienced riders can also try their hand at the local sport, *posola*, a high-adrenaline custom of throwing spears from the back of the agile Sumbanese ponies. nihi.com

ESTANCIA LOS POTREROS *Argentina*

This family-owned working cattle station and horse stud in the moody hills of Cordoba gives an insight into the gracious lifestyle of a traditional Argentine *estancia*, catering for experienced, adventure-loving riders. Days spent here include treks into the hillside on working criollo or homebred Peruvian pasos, as well as fun and informal polo lessons, *gaucho* games or watching the *gauchos* at work. Accommodation in the century-old homestead is comfortable and tasteful, while mealtimes are a joy as bottles of free-flowing malbec accompany hearty, home-cooked meals over a communal table. estancialospotrerros.com

