



• Jessica Kirkpatrick is both the soul of discretion and the name behind the uber up-market **Luxe Houses**, the holiday rental company for the seriously well-to-do. Her clients require attention to detail, paparazzi proof locations and want the best views in the world.

"They don't want to run into anyone in a lift, or cross a crowded lobby," said Jessica, who rents the superb, three-bedroom La Corniche property for \$40,000 a week in the peak season.

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# ESCAPE TO LUXURY PADS

HOLIDAY rentals – it sounds caravan by the beach doesn't it? And yet for many it couldn't be further from the truth.

BIS Shrapnel have put the staggering figure of \$31 billion on the national economic activity generated by the growing holiday rental market.

The top end of this market is where the very well-off holiday – tired or even fearful of crowded lifts and unscreened room service

attendants they hide away in other people's mansions, where they can let their guard down, and take their make-up off.

It seems there's no shortage of prestige home owners happy to put the dog in a kennel and move into the Hilton for a few weeks. With \$10,000-plus a week rental income they will walk away with change.

Prue Miller



## ROOM FOR ALL THE CREW AT PALM BEACH

• Elevated views to Palm Beach and beyond give the lucky holiday makers at Villa Du Cap the sensation of flying high. With sandstone features, including a large fireplace and Australian hardwood floors, it is a richly textured property. Four bedrooms might help spread the cost, but those seeking a family getaway will find there's enough room to fit everyone in at this very special retreat.

**LJ Hooker Palm Beach, \$7000 – \$15,000 a week**

## BYRON BECKONS

• An out-of-city experience adds to the chill-out vibe, but that doesn't mean you can get it for a song. Byron Bay, and in particular the more boutique Wategos Beach, offers up this very private, tropical-themed stunner. The Watermark Residence is across the road from the shore, has Bose sound and a fireplace so is perhaps even more romantic in winter. You'd have to be good all year to receive these keys in your Christmas stocking.

**Byron Bay Luxury Homes, \$7000 – \$14,000 per week**



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