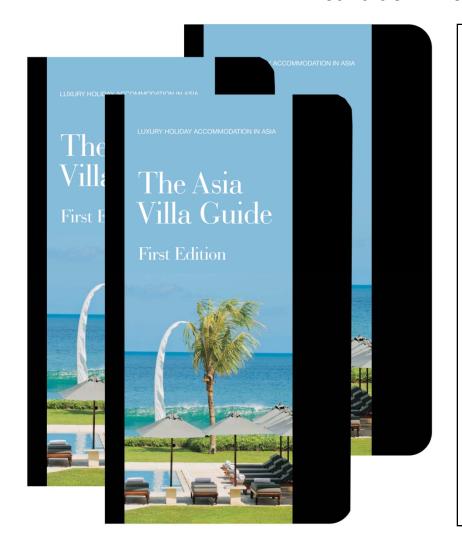
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Candidasa, Bali, Indonesia

British naturalist and explorer, Alfred Russel Wallace, must have jumped for joy when he sailed the Lombok Strait in the mid 19th century and observed the marked differences in plant and animal species on either side of this deep and narrow channel that lies to the east of Bali. The godfather of animal geography spent eight years travelling around the region collecting beetles and flying frogs, before discovering the boundary, marked by a deep oceanic trench, which was later to be named after him.

It's all too probable that while he was sweating out an attack of malaria in a mosquito-infested hut on a Lombok beach, he looked across to Candidasa (it was a clear day) and wished he had a nice comfortable air-conditioned villa to sleep in.

Villa Asada would have been perfect for Wallace. Located on Bali's less-developed east coast, this four-bedroom designer home sits amid sleek lawns upon a terraced hillside, 25 metres above Amuk Bay, with an 18-metre feature pool and a glorious panoramic vista that extends - on a clear day - all the way across that invisible Wallace Line to Lombok. Behind the villa, Bali's most sacred and mystical landmark, Gunung Agung, towers like a mountain out of a children's storybook, while the sea is a mere five-minute downhill hop, skip and dive away.

But it's not all about invisible lines, this secret getaway is a spectacular venue for a wedding or a party, with a huge upper-storey living and dining room where the floor-to-ceiling glass doors can be thrown open to the cool sea breezes. Outdoorsy types can enjoy snorkelling or diving in the clear waters of The Blue Lagoon, while those who are more at home lounging on a poolside sunbed - binoculars around neck, bestseller in one hand and banana daiquiri in the other - will be equally content.

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