



A SPECTACULAR EXPERIENCE AT MEXICO'S CASA MALCA

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The Mayans believed that Tulum was the center of the universe. Located in the middle of the ecological reserve of the Riviera Maya sits a property like no other. [Casa Malca](#) overlooks Quintana Roo's state's idyllic beaches in the Yucatan, a few kilometers from the Sian Ka'an Biosphere Reserve. Pablo Escobar, formerly known for the series "Narcos," was the original owner. It was one of the many mansions of the notorious Colombian drug trafficker, and today, it is considered one of the most exclusive hotels in Tulum. After ten years, the property was purchased by [art collector Lio Malca](#), one of the most influential gallery owners in New York.



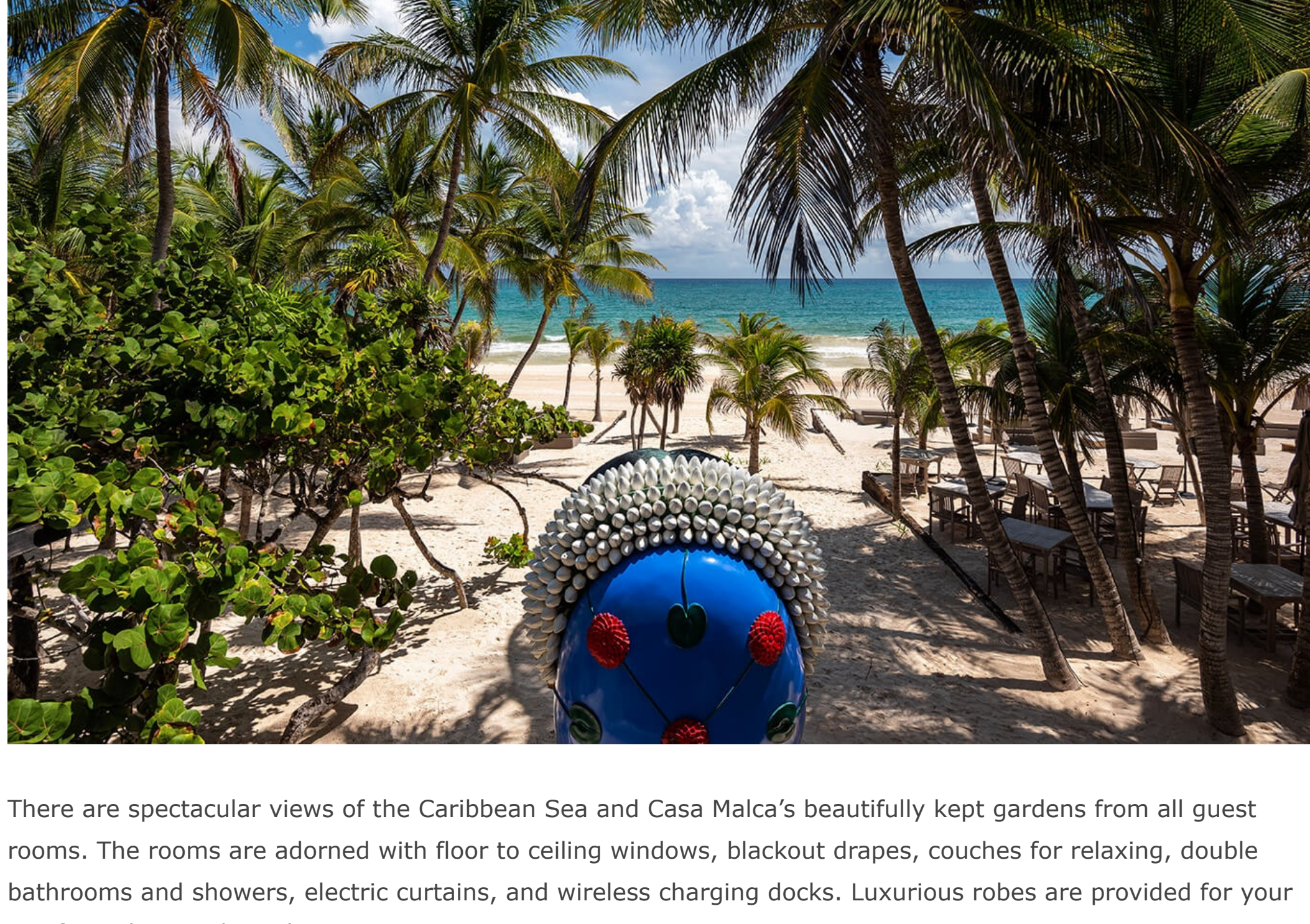
The property has expanded and offers 71 suites and a panoramic terrace to observe the jungle and ocean. The main house and guest rooms were built by local craftsmen and artisans using locally sourced materials. Upon entering the great wooden walls that enclose Casa Malca, you are instantly transported to a magical wonderland with a picture-perfect view of the ocean.



Dramatic white lace curtains made of vintage Mexican wedding dresses showcase the entrance. The decor has an eclectic mix of industrial pieces, Persian rugs, and rustic and contemporary furniture that create a bohemian charm.



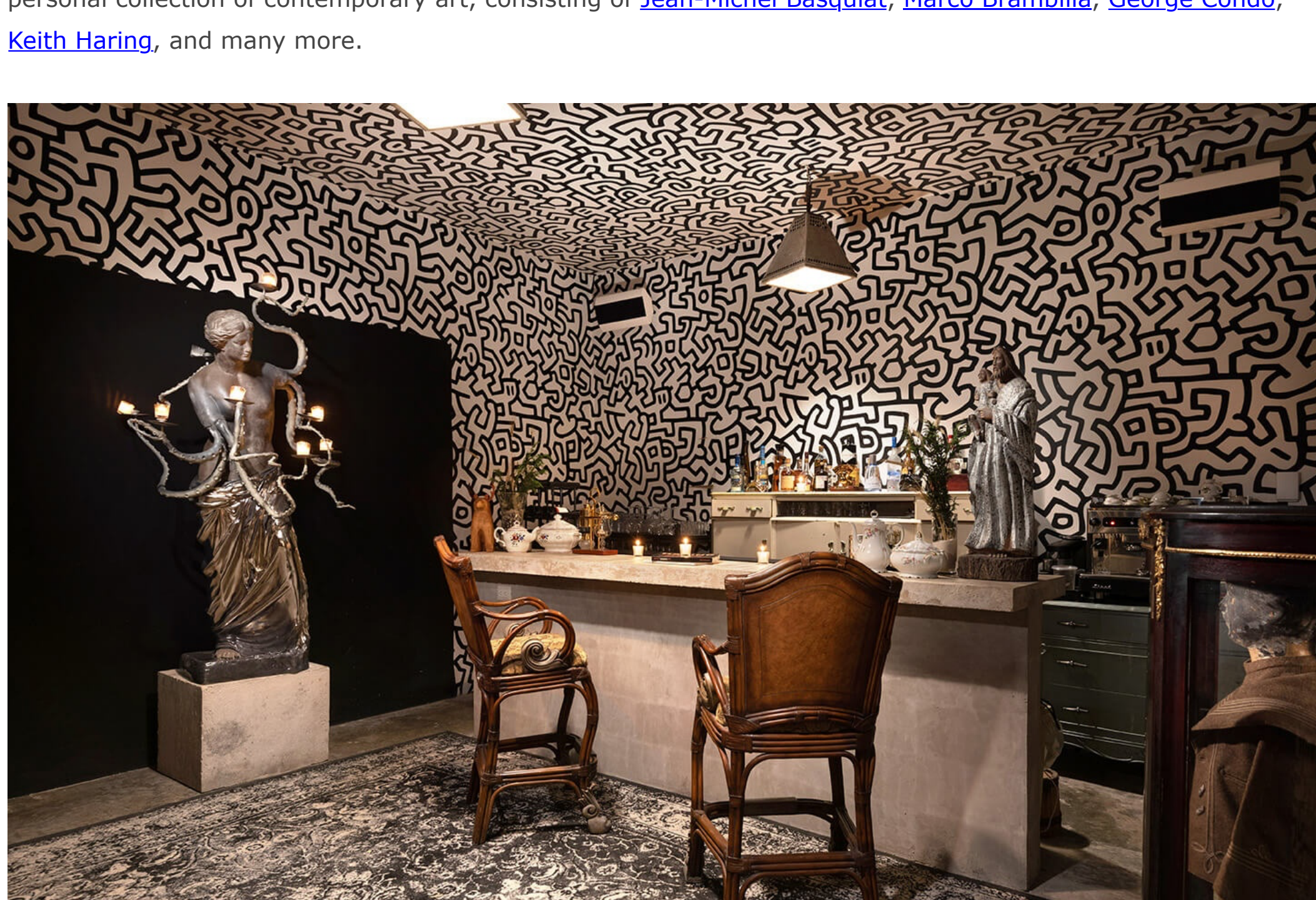
Casa Malca is popular with the Instagram crowd, and bloggers come from all over to post pictures of the many fascinating locations on the property. The grounds are filled with a luscious, dense rainforest jungle with meandering paths to the rooms and common areas connecting the guests with the pool, beach, bars, and restaurants. Everywhere you turn, a feast for the eyes. A choice of beach beds, hammocks, swinging couches, and extravagant chairs make it challenging to decide where to relax.



There are spectacular views of the Caribbean Sea and Casa Malca's beautifully kept gardens from all guest rooms. The rooms are adorned with floor to ceiling windows, blackout drapes, couches for relaxing, double bathrooms and showers, electric curtains, and wireless charging docks. Luxurious robes are provided for your comfort, along with opulent amenities.



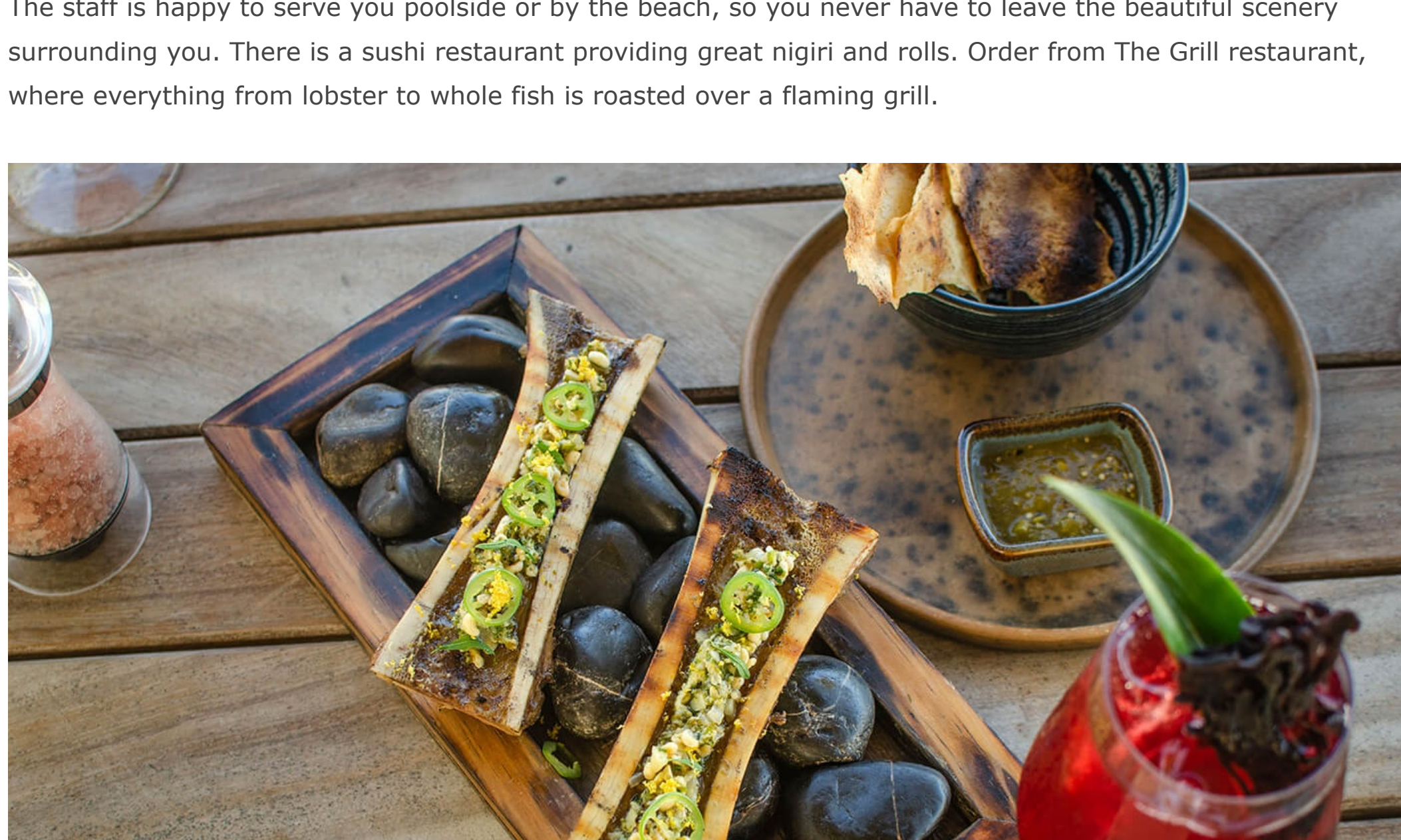
The key to your room has a secret kaleidoscope, providing another, askew glimpse of the property. Proprietor Lio Malca has created an environment in the jungle that delights all of your senses. Don't miss his vast personal collection of contemporary art, consisting of [Jean-Michel Basquiat](#), [Marco Brambilla](#), [George Condo](#), [Keith Haring](#), and many more.



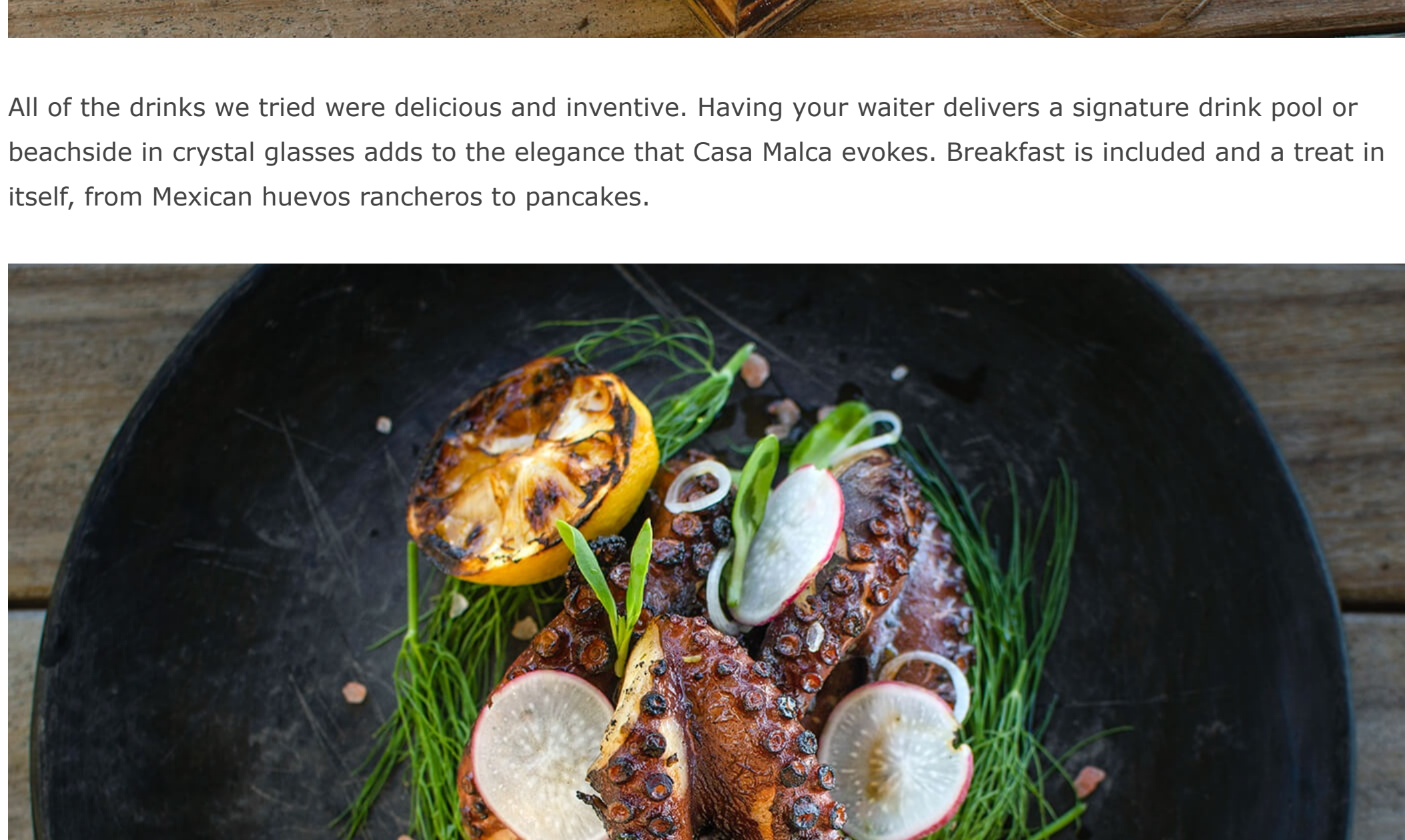
You can view the art in the luxurious rooms as well as throughout the hotel. Highly attentive staff pamper your every whim. There are three restaurants, providing delicious options for everyone.



The staff is happy to serve you poolside or by the beach, so you never have to leave the grill scenery surrounding you. There is a sushi restaurant providing great nigiri and rolls. Order from The Grill restaurant, where everything from lobster to whole fish is roasted over a flaming grill.



All of the drinks we tried were delicious and inventive. Having your waiter delivers a signature drink pool or beachside in crystal glasses adds to the elegance that Casa Malca evokes. Breakfast is included and a treat in itself, from Mexican huevos rancheros to pancakes.



You can sit in the eclectic restaurant or on the patio overlooking the ocean. The coffee was unforgettable. Another worthy mention is the ribeye burger from Philosophy. The pool area is one of the many spots for memorable photos, and the underground pool is a secret to be discovered. Shhhh. If you are looking for a luxury property that delights your senses in the heart of Tulum, Casa Malca is the place to be.

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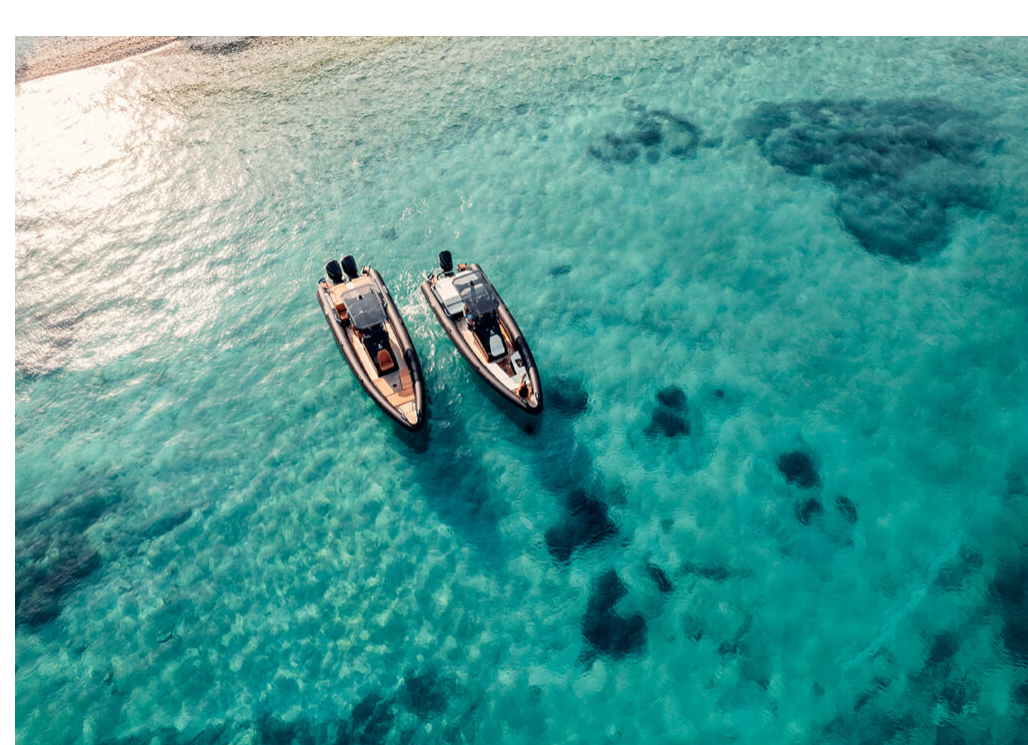
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