



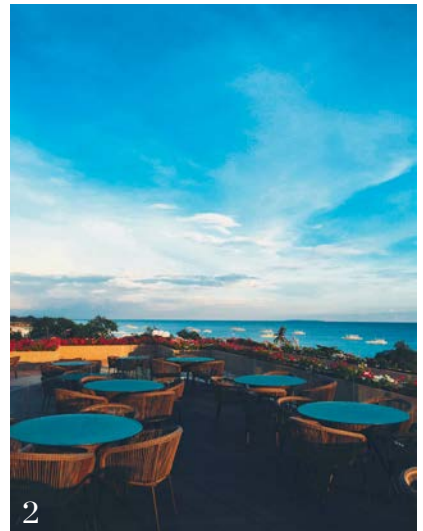


## BE GRAND RESORT BOHOL

*Panglao Island, Bohol*

It's quite a feat to put up a major luxury resort in a top tourist destination, and yet retain the intimacy and the personal touch of a boutique hotel. That is exactly the magic that Be Grand Resort manages to pull off.

One of the newest additions to the increasingly sophisticated landscape of luxury resorts on Panglao Island, Be Grand Resort offers 189 hundred rooms and 19 villas overlooking Bohol's famed blue waters. And yet, despite its size, it's the kind of place where you end up on first-name terms with the general manager (in this case, Anito Lanticse) and find a favorite hangout among the resort's many little nooks and crannies. It never feels like you're in a massive hotel property—you always feel like the space is made for you.



Now, we loved the entire resort, but we couldn't help but gravitate to some areas that quickly became personal favorites:

**1. Pods.** On the cliffs and on the beach, these fantastically designed pods were so stylish and comfortable, we were sure they were secretly equipped with some sort of space-age gravity device that makes you feel like you never want to leave.

**2. The Lune.** On the roofdeck, this lounge and bar also affords the best views of the stunning Bohol sunset and, later, of the clear night sky. Their bartender also makes a mean martini.

**3. Pool by the villas.** Among the many perks of the luxe villas is a beautifully designed swimming pool, perfect for a lazy swim.

**4. Central play area.** A sign of just how well thought-out everything is, even the central space inside the hotel proper is stylishly furnished and decorated.

**5. The Bridge.** How good is the food at Be Grand? So good we almost didn't care about fitting into our swimwear.