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## **LIVING THE BOND LIFE** For those who take their travel shaken, not stirred

They're three little words that have become synonymous with effortless style, exotic travel, fitted tuxedos and impeccably tailored machismo:

Bond, James Bond.

We've all fantasised about it. The car, the clothes, the gadgets, the lifestyle. Who wouldn't want a day in the life of Her Majesty's greatest secret agent, the character that has endured reinvention for over half a century? And for many that's where the journey ends, at fantasy. But what if there was a way to immerse yourself in the life of a legend, to not only visit the glamorous locations, but to learn the skills of a #00 agent, everything from espionage and close-quarter combat to the recipe for the perfect vodka martini?

For die-hard fans of the #007 franchise or for those looking to brush up on their spy skills, there really is no better way to experience the life of Bond than on a bespoke Brown + Hudson adventure. Using our global contacts, we'll curate

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exclusive experiences that money shouldn't really be able to buy, introducing you to extraordinary individuals and giving you a glimpse into the shadowy world of global espionage.

Your mission begins at a secret training facility in the British countryside with personnel from global intelligence services and various special forces units - the ones you're not meant to know about. Learn how to resist interrogation, use combat weapons and firearms (including Bond's iconic Walther PPK), evade capture in a hostile environment and even spot a poisoned cocktail. Of course, just like Bond, putting these skills to the test in the field is a different matter entirely. Veteran soldiers will teach you to stretch yourself under pressure, react to circumstance and take the initiative. Perhaps practice your covert surveillance by tailing a mark through the streets of London, or work on your evasive driving by racing supercars along the winding roads of the Italian Dolomites. Imagine boarding a yacht in the dead of night, surrounded by members of the military's elite, to diffuse a purpose-built hostage situation. It may seem far fetched, but these skills are as useful in the boardroom as on the battlefield.







Learn from expert interrogators the best way to read someone, to analyse their strengths and weaknesses, evaluate situations and exploit opportunities. Really, the Skyfall's the limit.

Naturally once you're equipped with the skills, you'll want to visit the classic global locations synonymous with #007. Why not start in Switzerland at the incredible Contra Dam, the setting for the opening scene of *Goldeneye*? A tapering concrete edifice rising above the Verzasca River below, it's one of the largest dams in the world. Follow Pierce Brosnan's lead (or at least his stunt double's lead) and bungee-jump from the lip of this enormous structure, free-falling 220m towards the valley floor. As a reward for your bravery, we'll fly you by private helicopter to *Piz Gloria*, a revolving restaurant among the snow-capped peaks of the Burmese Alps and the spectacular setting for *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*.

For those looking for a little behind-the-movie-scenes gossip, we'll fly you to Iceland for a chat in Reykjavík with the filmmakers behind *Die Another Day*. Learn the cinematic tricks of the trade on a drive out to the glacial lakes of Jökulsárlón where many of the movie's scenes were shot. We'll provide the Aston Martin V12 Vanquish, or for those looking for something a little more classic, perhaps a silver DB-5 would fit the bill. Thanks to Bond's penchant for jetsetting around the globe (a hobby we fully understand) it's easy to tailor unique experiences in almost any location. Journey over the rugged moors of Scotland on the way to the setting for Skyfall manor, or wander the abandoned streets of the island of Hashima in Japan, the eerie labyrinth of forgotten buildings that played host to Silva's lair in *Skyfall*.

A stop at Monte Carlo Casino in Monaco is almost mandatory, and not only for soaking in some Bond nostalgia and ogling the Ferraris and Jaguars in the parking lot. We'll fly in professionals from the World Poker Tour to teach you the art of Texas Hold'em, the game Bond played in Casino Royale, at an exclusive table for you and your quests. And after the game we'll team you up with a cocktail-making champion in the casino's elegant Buddha-Bar for a private master class. Learn the art of the perfect dry martini, or the subtle difference between chilled Bollinger and Dom Perignon. But before you hit the gaming floor, you need to look the part. Bond wouldn't have got far if he wasn't always dressed to kill. Create and design your own signature timepiece with watchmakers from the Omega factory in Switzerland (a #007 replica if you like, probably sans repelling cable); the perfect accessory for an impeccable tuxedo, tailored for you by masters on Savile Row.

Bond may specialise in living the high-life, but that doesn't mean his world if off limits. Not for us, at least. We'll arrange the location, the gadgets and the car. You just try to bring it back in one piece.