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## **Top 10 celebrity stays: Take a holiday at hotels owned by the stars**

- **From Hollywood royalty to stars of sport and music, it seems owning a hotel is a part of any self-respecting celeb's portfolio these days**

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Wedding venue: Andy Murray's Cromlix Hotel

Andy Murray, who is to wed at his own Cromlix House hotel this weekend, isn't the only famous face dabbling in the hospitality industry.

Check out these celebrity-owned hotels with real star quality

1. [ANDY MURRAY, PERTSHIRE - From £100pp per night](#)  
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B&B Murray's beautiful Perthshire mansion Cromlix House was the natural choice for his wedding to Kim Sears. The Scots tennis ace has transformed the Victorian pile into a luxury five-star hotel reminiscent of the era of grand country house living. Just three miles from his hometown of Dunblane, it's close to his roots. There are 15 elegant bedrooms plus the luxury Gate Lodge, as well as Chez Roux restaurant where seasonal, locally sourced food is on the menu. It's set within 34 acres of secluded gardens and woodland, tastefully decorated with Scottish antiques, and guests can taste the life of a Laird, or even better, a Wimbledon champion.

THE DEAL: Doubles from £200 B&B. From April to May, stay in a large double room or in the one-bedroom Gate Lodge for £375 per night including a three-course dinner and full Scottish breakfast.

2. ROBERT REDFORD, UTAH - From £68pp per night, room only

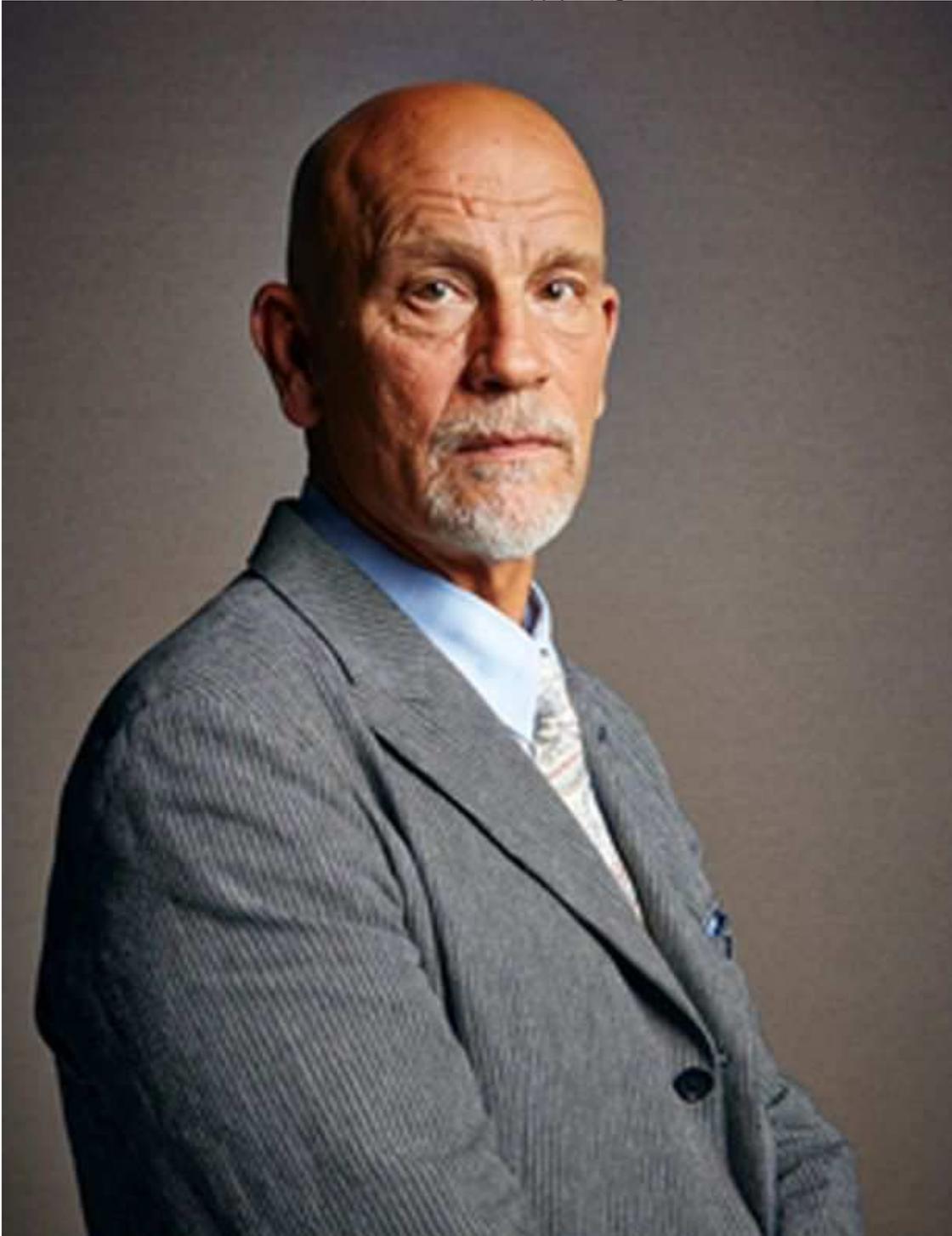


Robert Redford: Sundance Mountain Resort, Utah

Redford named the Sundance Mountain Resort after the role he played in Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. Since buying the land in 1968, he's transformed it into an A-list ski destination. Each of its cottages and cabins is discreetly tucked into the mountains above Sundance Village. Every year the movie world descends on the small town for a film festival which celebrates independent filmmaking.

THE DEAL: Doubles from £135 room only.

3. JOHN MALKOVICH, CARDIFF - From £19.50 pp per night B&B



Big Sleep: John Malkovich

Being John Malkovich must be exhausting. Besides starring in more than 70 movies, the American actor lists being a hotelier, fashion designer and restaurateur among his other occupations. The Big Sleep, which he co-owns, bills itself as a design hotel at Travelodge prices. Its central location makes it the perfect place to crash after taking in the sights of Wales' first city. THE DEAL: Doubles from £39 B&B.

4. GLORIA ESTEFAN, MIAMI - From £70pp per night room only



Gloria Estefan: Cardozo Hotel, Miami

The undisputed queen of Latin music Gloria Estefan owns this elegant, chic, and sophisticated hotel in Miami with her husband Emilio. Described as an art deco jewel, the Cardozo Hotel is perfectly located over the road from the sands of South Beach and within easy walking distance of Miami's best restaurants and nightclubs.

THE DEAL: Doubles from £140 room only.

5. RICHARD GERE, NY STATE - From £142pp per night, room only



Richard Gere: Bedford Post Inn

In 2007, movie star Richard Gere joined forces with other locals of the town of Bedford to rescue and restore The Bedford Post Inn. This historic property, dating back to the 1860s, is the perfect location to tag on to a few days in New York City, an hour's drive away. It's home to eight luxury rooms, most with open log fires, a yoga studio and two restaurants.

THE DEAL: Doubles start at £285 room only but for the month of April get 20 per cent off a stay or two or more nights using a code posted on the hotel's social media accounts.

6. BONO, DUBLIN - From £46pp per night room only



U2: The Clarence Hotel, Dublin

The Clarence was in dire need of a rock 'n' roll makeover when Bono and The Edge bought it in 1992. The U2 stars transformed it from a tired and shabby but much-loved city landmark into a sleek boutique hotel. On the River Liffey, The Clarence is at the heart of Dublin's lively nightlife.

THE DEAL: Doubles from £92 room only.

7. BENNY ANDERSSON, STOCKHOLM - From £82pp per night, room only



Benny Andersson: The Rival Hotel Stockholm

Take a chance on the Hotel Rival and you won't be disappointed. Abba star Benny Andersson opened the dazzling 99-room hotel in 2003 in the trendy Sodermalm area of Stockholm. The movie Mamma Mia! had its Swedish premiere at the hotel's cinema. With a bistro, cocktail bar in art deco style, café and lounge with seating for 700, it's the perfect place to discover your inner Dancing Queen.

THE DEAL: Doubles start at £164 room only, but there's a free weekend breakfast buffet and discounts for long weekends.

8. LORETTA LYNN, TENNESSEE - From £14 per tent per night



Ranch life: Loretta Lynn

Country music stars don't get much bigger than Loretta Lynn and the singer's ranch in Tennessee is a one-stop shop for fans of the Coal Miner's Daughter. The vast ranch features a full-service RV park with basic camping pitches or cabins for hire. There's a pool, canoeing, paddle boats and fishing and you can tour Loretta's Plantation Home.

THE DEAL: Pitch a tent for £14 a night or hire a cabin from £68 a night.

9. JIM KERR, SICILY - From £47pp per night, B&B



Jim Kerr: Villa Angela Hotel in Taormina, Sicily

Simple Minds frontman Jim Kerr's boutique villa hotel is set in the Sicilian countryside, with views from Mount Etna to the Ionian Sea. The intimate Villa Angela has 27 rooms, a pool and roomy terraces and the picturesque town of Taormina is nearby. Kerr first set eyes on the villa in 1982 and has been inspired by Sicily ever since.

THE DEAL: Doubles start at £94 B&B. Like Villa Angela's Facebook page to receive 10 per cent off until May 9.

10. KATE PIERSON, CATSKILL MOUNTAINS - £68pp per night, self-catering



Kate Pierson's Lazy Meadow Motel in in New York state's Catskill Mountains