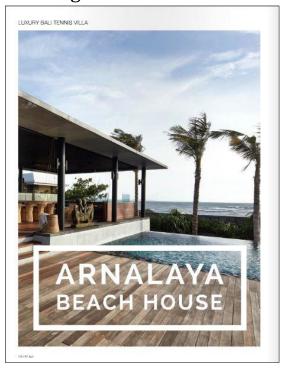
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With scores of cafes, restaurants, gelato shops, boutique shops, day spas and yoga retreats Canggu is so the place to be right now for anyone worth their expat or holiday-taking salt. It also has some of the best looking beaches in south Bali, so Arnalaya Beach House's eye-popping, bedside views of the ocean waves most definitely make it the king of the castle of the beachside villa realm.

Meaning 'Rhythm of the Waves' in Sanskrit, the constant lapping of the waves against the sand that lull you to sleep at night couldn't make the name more apt. Sitting at the end of a quiet street at Nyalan Beach, this six-bedroom, designer-built villa offers outstanding ocean views and state-of-the-art facilities including swimming pool, tennis court, spa and gym, loads of lounge space, mature gardens and a full complement of professional staff including butlers and a private chef – this has lifestyles of the rich and famous written all over it.

Designed by the highly-acclaimed Singaporean company Chan Sau Yan Associates, with interiors by Studio Daminato, the glamorous Arnalaya consists of a series of triple-, double- and single-storey buildings set well back from the beach and housing the bedrooms and formal living spaces.

The two master suites are positioned on the top floor of the main house, the living and dining rooms on the middle level, and the professional kitchen on the ground floor. Timber decks wrap around the upper floors and the main building faces the garden and ocean with huge picture windows. Each room has floor-to-ceiling glasss on two sides and let in tonnes of natural light, and in doing so creates a sensation of having no walls at all. The living room and the dining room are separate air-conditioned rooms on the middle floor with floor-to-ceiling glass sliding doors on both sides that can be opened to embrace the sea breezes, the rhythm of the waves and the sea views. The living room showcases natural materials and is furnished with sofas and funky bamboo armchairs, while the dining room is a mirror version of living room, furnished with a teakwood table for 14, lit by large hanging lanterns and completed with teak and rattan chairs. Window blinds in all rooms can be dropped for privacy.

The two-storey building has two guest rooms, which are situated on the upper floor, while the lower floor is home to another guest room, and a games room furnished with a large sofa facing the 60-inch TV, and featuring picture windows to the tennis court and courtyard. Here, two tables for four are provided for casual dining or drinking while watching the tennis. Each bedroom is furnished with a queen bed, some of which can be configured as twins, and equipped with a 40-inch TV, DVD player and iPod connection to Bose speakers, and each bathroom is fitted with a shower and bathtub.

The single-storey building at the back of the villa is home to a spa room fitted with two massage beds, and a gym equipped with a cross trainer and adjoined by an en-suite bathroom. The gym can be converted to an extra bedroom with twin beds, and the tennis court is of an international tournament standard.

Up at the front of the property is a huge open-sided living & dining pavilion and bar with a BBQ grill, dining tables and built-in banquettes making it ultimately the villa's daytime social hub. Lying right next to the 20m infinity pool with its sun deck and lounges, there is simply no reason to want to move very far at all.

The villa is ideal for families, groups of friends and avid tennis players, with weddings and special events a specialty. It's a truly beautiful place and one that is destined to become a Bali classic. [FRV]

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