

Places in the Sun

Inspired by Channel 4 property gurus Amanda Lamb, Jasmine Harman and Jonnie Irwin, here's our pick of the best new builds to buy this summer

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THE NEW KID Lustica Bay, Montenegro

Don't let its diminutive size mislead you - big things are planned for Montenegro, Investment in tourism is growing and property developments, such as Lustica Bay, are ensuring it won't play second fiddle to its better-known neighbours. When complete, the Bay's spacious 690 hectares are set to offer townhouses, villas and apartments set around a marina, with golf courses and water sports in easy reach. Prices start from £133,000 for a luxuriously-fitted studio apartment with, most importantly, a balcony from which to enjoy the fabulous coastline.

lusticabay.com

THE SAFE BET Sun Gardens, Croatia

Despite its tourism boom over the past decade, Croatia still retains a virgin property market. Tucked just north of Dubrovnik, Sun Gardens (above) is built around an existing five-star hotel, meaning that all manner of mod cons and facilities - from spas to sports - are ready and waiting. Prices start from £177,000 for a one-bed apartment with freehold, and each property comes fully furnished with Adriatic views. To help cover costs when you're out of town, Sun Gardens also has a great track record for generating rental income and can help buyers with mortgages.

dubravniksungardens.com

THE GLAMOUR PUSS Los Flamingos, Spain

The stars of The Only Way is Essex and Premiership footballers aren't the only ones who holiday in Marbella. The destination of choice for many Brits, the town has understandable appeal gorgeous beaches, a rambling old town and plenty of slick bars and restaurants. This development spans nine different sites across a valley, ranging from penthouse suites to city-style apartments a one-bed starts from £182,000, complete with a garage and lake views. Lottery winner? It's also possible to buy a villa plot and custom-design your dream home.

lasflamingos.co.uk

THE SPORTY ONE Amendoeira Golf Resort, Portugal

The Algarve has long been an ideal spot to buy, meaning that the range is plentiful – even if prices are higher than elsewhere. For golf lovers, the Amendoeira has two courses (one designed by legendary pro Nick Faldo), and two-bed apartments in the new Moorish-style development on Monte Medina and Miradouro start at £326,000. For non-golfers, there's still the resort's mix of private pools and a sports club.

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