



**OCEAN VISTAS**  
Every villa at Samujana offers uninterrupted sea views

SLEEK RETREAT

# Koh Samui

## Rest Your Head

### SAMUJANA

With his love of hospitality and passion for creating memorable experiences, South African Kurt Berman is a perfect fit as general manager of Samujana luxury villas and residences. Offering guests seclusion, space and a stylish escape in Chong Mon, Samujana has already garnered awards for best villa development in Thailand and South-East Asia. Here, Kurt introduces the project.

### HOW DID SAMUJANA COME ABOUT?

It's been an ongoing project for eight years. The owner-developer is an expat in Hong

Kong who was looking for a weekend escape and found land in Samui to build a villa. As more and more friends came, it grew organically into a development of private villas. Samujana wasn't built with a masterplan and only last year was it properly branded.

### WHAT MAKES SAMUJANA DIFFERENT?

There are very good five-star resorts and stand-alone villas in Samui but Samujana combines both. For me, Samujana is true luxury. Our guests have the choice, freedom and space to do exactly what they want; they feel like they have their own kingdom. Each villa is unique in

design, character and layout to cater for different experiences and different people.

### WHO'S YOUR TYPICAL GUEST?

Most of our guests are expats living in other major Asian cities. We also get a few long-haul guests from the UK and Australia. Samujana is very popular with families and groups of friends or couples as our villas are so spacious and affordable - though we don't allow bachelor parties! We're hosting more weddings and special events and recently opened The Big Lawn - 5 *rai* (8,000m<sup>2</sup>) of beachfront. ([samujana.com](http://samujana.com))

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## 1\_ WALKING STREET

On Friday nights, head to Fisherman's Village Walking Street. There's great food, shopping and the chance to rub elbows with a veritable who's who of island residents.

## 2\_ SET SAIL

Take a boat trip to Koh Phangan to the north of Samui or to the Five Islands. Ao Thong National Marine Park is a highlight - we're lucky to have it on our doorstep.

## 3\_ EAT & DRINK

Samui is home to everything from quirky beach joints to glamorous cocktail bars. There are more and more quality restaurants opening up.