



# THE WORLD'S BEST MEMBERS' CLUBS

*Thinking of joining a private members' club? Don't sign up for a thing until you've read our guide*

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There are few things in life more comforting than arriving at your private members' club, knowing you'll meet some interesting people, drink some fabulous cocktails, eat world-class food and, crucially, always get a seat. And a comfortable one at that. Little wonder that some of the very best clubs have been running for over a century, a testament to the fact that if you get everything right, then the vagaries of fashion and trends will never diminish your popularity. Read on to discover some of the Tempus team's favourite spots, cherry-picked from our global travels since we launched our magazine back in 2012.

# LONDON

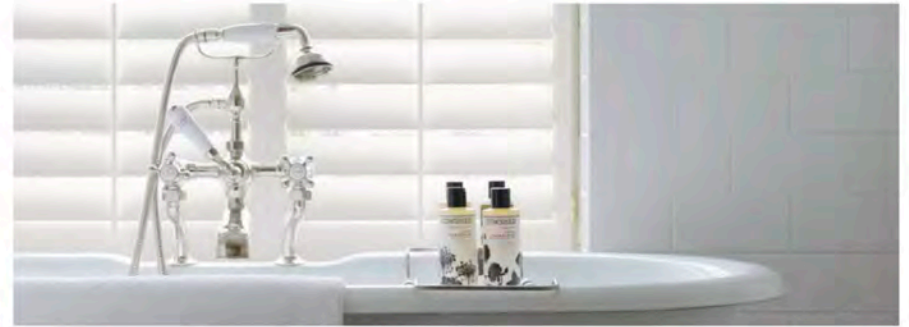


## Disrepute

Opened late last year, this has already become a firm favourite with the Soho set, offering the sort of late night clandestine experience that's all too lacking in what was once one of central London's edgiest areas. It has an unexpectedly opulent feel, combined with a speakeasy vibe – thanks in part to its basement location. A great late night addition to the capital's bar scene.

[disrepute.co.uk](http://disrepute.co.uk)

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## Soho House

The original London members' club and arguably one of the best, the Soho House empire has now spread globally (Berlin is one of our favourites) but its new incarnation at Dean Street has become a firm favourite with those looking for fun and games in a stylish setting. The service is always second to none, too. Tip: head to the very top floor if you're struggling to find a seat – there's usually a few up here. It's also where everyone graduates at the end of the end of the night as the DJ plays on up here until close.

[sohohouse.com](http://sohohouse.com)

# TOKYO



## Roppongi Hills Club

Potential members can only be proposed by current members at either of these impressive East Asian clubs. The upper echelons of society meet here to talk business and do deals and, with an incredible seven restaurants, two bars and some of the best views in the city, it's easy to see why members stick around and play once their work is done.

[roppongihillsclub.com](http://roppongihillsclub.com)

# DUBAI

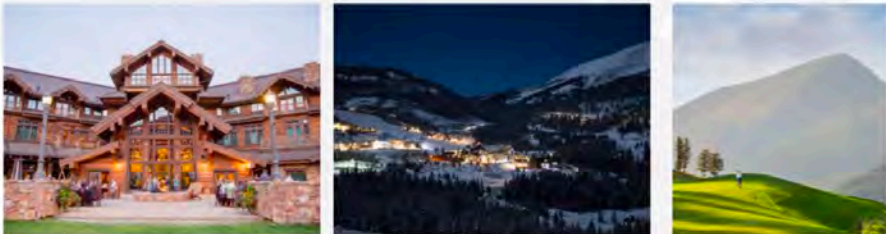


## The Capital Club

Located in Dubai's financial district, this exclusive invite-only business club doesn't disclose its fees. Most of the club's members are CEOs, directors or founders of their organisations and the club has played host to numerous global business deals. You can also gain access to sister clubs in Africa and China but, for sheer jaw-dropping views, it's hard to beat the sight of the Burj Khalifa from the terrace bar of this fabulous place.

[capitalclubdubai.com](http://capitalclubdubai.com)

# MONTANA, USA



## The Yellowstone Club

This is about as exclusive as it gets, with a joining fee of £228,000 and access to the an annual membership of £27,000. That grants you to the 13,600 acre private community set in the wilds of Montana, compete with massive lodge house, private ski mountain, golf course and a number of incredible restaurants. They can also arrange access worldwide to hot ticket events and places such as St Andrews golf course. Bill Gates and Ben Affleck are members, among many notable others.

[yellowstoneclub.com](http://yellowstoneclub.com)

# BUENOS AIRES



## The Clubhouse

Housed in a converted four-story residence in Buenos Aires chic Palermo Soho neighborhood, The Clubhouse is an urban Members' Club offering a lounge, terrace, two bars, pool and garden and four Guest Rooms. It hosts a calendar of events including private dinners with international chefs, film screenings, rotating art exhibitions and pool parties. Better still, it's part of a reciprocal clubs network which means members can also gain access to clubs such as London's Hospital Club or Budapest's Brody House.

[clubhouseba.com](http://clubhouseba.com)

# MADRID



## Club Matador

Sited in a historic apartment in the fashionable Salamanca neighborhood, this members-only club is the perfect spot for the city's uber-hip locals. Started by the creative team behind the Matador magazine, it hosts cultural events, live music and art exhibitions among its well curated cultural program that includes lectures and workshops. The restaurant menu focuses on traditional Spanish cuisine while the bar has an ambitious craft cocktail program, bringing in mixologists and guest bartenders from all over Europe. We love this place.

[clubmatador.com](http://clubmatador.com)

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# MONACO



## Yacht Club de Monaco

Are you well-connected, affluent and know at least two members of this place who will sponsor you? Oh, and do also speak fluent French. If so, there's a chance – just a chance, mind – that you might be able to gain access to this ultra-exclusive club. Founded in 1953 by Prince Rainier, it's the last word in old school nautically-themed luxury. Note there is a strict dress code enforced, so do check should you be extended a visiting opportunity.

[yacht-club-monaco.mc](http://yacht-club-monaco.mc)