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SWIMMING POOLS



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Playa Vik José Ignacio

(MALDONADO DEPARTMENT, URUGUAY)

The ultra-modern Playa Vik is part of the Vik Retreats collection and is located on the most coveted stretch of the Uruguayan coastline in the fishing village of José Ignacio. The hotel showcases a range of leading contemporary artists and designers including James Turrell and Zaha Hadid, and its two- to three-bedroom casas encircle a dramatic central Sculpture Building. But it's the cantilevered swimming pool that commands the most attention, jutting out towards the Atlantic and perfectly positioned to watch the spectacular sunsets over the water. A sister property, Estancia Vik, is nearby, for guests who want to try horse-riding.

From about £455 a room a night (www.playavik.com).

