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These international residences exemplify modern sophistication.

The medieval town of **Begur**, in the Costa Brava region of Spain, is home to a contemporary mountaintop villa, one of five newly constructed estates just a short drive from Barcelona. Calming views of the Mediterranean Sea complement clean design by Philippe Stark and Italian designers Paolo Nava and Fabio Casiraghi. Listed for 2,600,000 euros, the 5,057-square-foot residence boasts an iroko wood staircase and an elevator serving all floors.

All the delights of the City of Lights await the future owner of this elegant apartment in the center of **Paris** with 1,200 square feet of living space, an elevator and extra storage. A price point of \$1.5 million

buys endless strolling along the Seine, people-watching from quaint sidewalk cafés and proximity to all of the city's enticing attractions.

Bordered by streams and a coffee plantation in a hill-top location just 15 minutes from **San José**, Costa Rica, Equis 1 enjoys panoramic views of the city and the six volcanoes surrounding it. Supreme privacy on 1.73 secure, secluded acres combines with the convenience of poolside WiFi in this modern villa constructed with local materials. The \$2.95 million price includes the villa's luxury furnishings and 1,000-bottle wine cellar.

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