



Kengo Kuma unveils “blossoming” glass and timber villas for Bali

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From **Ibuku's gorgeous bamboo structures** to **D-Associates' wood and brick DRA House**, Bali's contemporary architecture strikes a delicate balance between contemporary and vernacular design. Among the most recent projects planned to be built on this Indonesian island is a cluster of six unique villas, a yoga pavilion and a greenhouse designed by **Kengo Kuma**.



The 215,000-square-foot project named Tsubomi Villas, or “flower bud” in Japanese, will include six villas enveloped in overlapping layers of **wood** that form hyperbolic paraboloid **roof canopies**. The buildings, planned to be built on a sandstone cliff on the Bukit Peninsula, the southernmost point of **Bali**, look like they emerge from the ground like flowers.



The Tsubomi Villas combine glass and **timber** to provide a feeling of openness and tranquility. The design blurs the line between interior spaces and the surrounding landscape, inviting the lush forest inside.

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