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The backward two-dimensional stochastic Navier-Stokes equations (BSNSEs, for short) corresponding to incompressible fluid flow in a bounded domain G are studied in this paper. Suitable a priori estimates for adapted solutions of the BSNSEs are obtained which reveal a surprising pathwise $L^{\infty}(H)$ bound on the solutions. The existence of solutions is shown by using a monotonicity argument. Uniqueness is proved by using a novel method that uses finite-dimensional projections, and truncations. The continuity of the adapted solutions with respect to the terminal data and the external body force is also established. (Received September 18, 2007)