

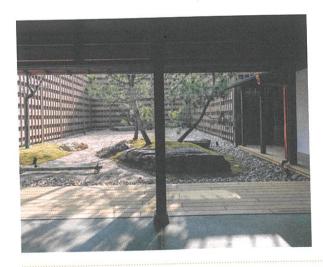
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Wake Up Here

From the world's first 3D-printed resort to a cutting-edge Japanese ryokan, these are the properties we're heading to as the world gets moving again

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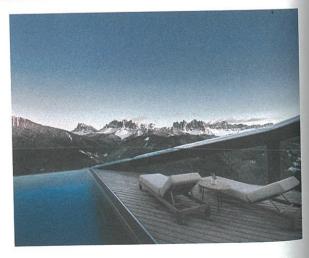
AZUMI SETODA

IKUCHIJIMA, JAPAN

A fresh take on the Japanese ryokan, this minimalist renovation from Naru Developments and Aman founder Adrian Zecha combines impeccable craftsmanship with clean lines and a deeply felt community spirit. Situated amid the citrus groves and aquamarine waters of Ikuchijima Island, the 140-year-old former family home has been delicately restored using traditional plasterwork, exposed timber beams and washi paper, while the saunas and bathhouse opposite feature colour-splashed tile art by native artist Mai Miyake.



Resting in the shadows of the pine-scented Dolomites is this welcoming eco-forward spa hotel from young locals Stefan Hinteregger and Teresa Unterthiner. Conceived as a destination retreat to showcase the best of their native region, the nature-powered spa channels the crisp, healing air of the Italian Alps for a supremely regenerative experience. Rooms offer panoramic views of the surrounding rugged landscapes, with soothing interiors coming in a muted oatmeal palette rich in locally sourced pinewood and calming vibes.





HOTEL LES DEUX GARES

PARIS. FRANCE

Conveniently sandwiched between Gare du Nord and Gare de l'Est, interior designer Luke Edward Hall's first foray into hotels exudes playfulness: the flamboyant, art deco-inspired bolthole blends English elegance with chic French flourishes to spectacular effect. Funkily imagined and representing brilliant value for money, the vibrant guest rooms look out onto a picture-perfect Parisian skyline. Downstairs, a sultry bistro is the place to savour traditional French fare served alongside a fine selection of native natural wines.

LIFE HOUSE LOWER HIGHLANDS

DENVER. US

Don't be fooled by this hip Colorado hotel's unassuming exterior: inside, magnificent velvet chairs grace sleek wooden floors scattered with cowhide rugs and peppered with grand, Victorian-era embellishments. Telling the story of its industrialist past, the property's 16 upstairs bedrooms range in size from basic, compact spaces sporting bunk beds to luxurious - and sprawling - king suites. Meanwhile, in-room wellness programmes. rain showers and Le Labo bathroom products firmly root guests very much in the 21st century.



Benefitting from a serene lakeside position in trending Prince Edward County - Canada's fastest-growing wine region - Wander the Resort delights guests with its simple Nordic design. Oak-panelled cabins have huge windows to maximise light (and those sparkling views), while fireplaces are cosy and bed linens, organic. With spacious cedar decks housing fire pits and wallow-worthy bathtubs, as well as both an adults-only beach and family-friendly one, this is a rare multi-gen find that offers something for everyone.



XIGERA CAMP

OKAVANGO DELTA, BOTSWANA

Reinventing the Okavango Delta safari experience, Xigera charms guests with bold African design and exceptional food, all served up in the unspoilt wilderness of the Moremi Game Reserve. Sustainably created tented lodges and three-storey treehouses are furnished with head-turning art from an array of African artists and 9m-high open-air beds that deliver 360-degree views, and all-day animal sightings. The pioneering spa offers an abundance of bespoke, bush-inspired wellness programmes, along with organic Tata Harper treatments.



THE JOHRI

JAIPUR. INDIA

With interiors that bring to mind the sumptuous opulence seen in Wes Anderson's The Darjeeling Limited, this former haveli - a 19th-century merchant's family home - has been restored with meticulous attention to period detail. The sister hotel to Abhishek Honawar and Siddharth Kasliwal's 28 Kothi, the boutique property is located on a winding lane in Jaipur's historic jewellery market, with a rooftop bar that overlooks the old walled city and a pretty courtyard restaurant serving seasonal vegetarian cuisine.



KISAWA SANCTUARY

BENGUERRA ISLAND, MOZAMBIQUE

The first resort in the world to have been built using 3D-printed materials - a high-tech sand and seawater amalgamate - this groundbreaking 300-hectare island sanctuary is part of a national marine park and home to some of the most untouched subtropical ecosystems in the Indian Ocean. Blending into its natural surroundings with the lightest possible of footprints, Kisawa was designed with environmental sensitivity at the fore: think tufted straw-roofed bungalows, spherical azure pools and soothing, high-spec, sand-coloured interiors.





CARA HOTEL

LOS ANGELES, US

Design-forward but without pomp or pretention, this retro-chic hotel in the foothills of Griffith Park is housed in a 1960s modernist building right next to LAX airport, with sound-reducing glass for sublime take-off views without the noise pollution. An offshoot of its modish sister group Proper Hotels, Cara's interiors evoke Californian beachside living, with a restaurant inspired by Baja flavours: the ceviche and smoothies made from locally sourced, biodynamic ingredients are among menu highlights.



CAN FERRERETA

SANTANYÍ, MALLORCA

From the owners of Sant Francesc Hotel in Palma comes this painstakingly restored 17th-century hideaway. Comprising 32 paired-back, individually designed rooms and suites, with walls adorned by artworks from the likes of Joan Miró, this rural paradise sits amid the cypress and olive trees of Santanyí, on the lesser-discovered southeastern side of Mallorca. With a seasonal restaurant and a sleek spa complete with hammam and indoor pool, leaving the mansion feels unnecessary, despite its proximity to some of the best beaches on the island.



PARADERO TODOS SANTOS

BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO

 $Set \, discreetly \, amid \, a \, palm-fringed \, oas is, this \, 35-suite \, hotel \,$ celebrates its extraordinary surroundings with aplomb. Offering everything from wilderness hikes to temazcal sweat-lodge ceremonies, the experiential property has been awarded Pueblo Mágico (Magical Town) status for its magnificent natural beauty and 300-year history. Set in two hectares of golden Mesa community farmland, the retreat's airy interiors maximise its setting, with elemental design and rooftop seating areas offering views of the vast, cactus-dotted desert beyond.

