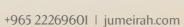




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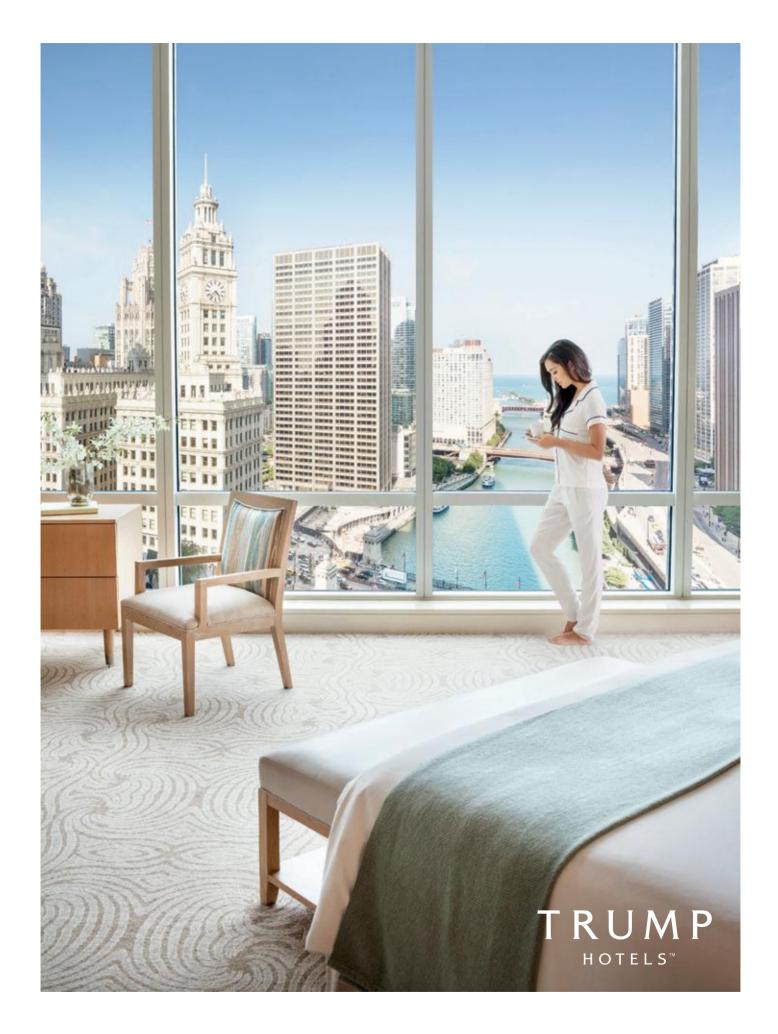
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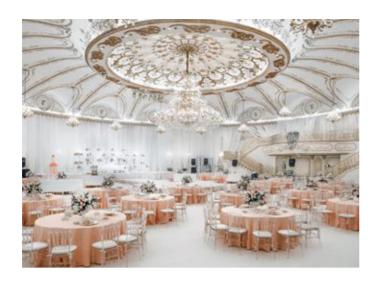




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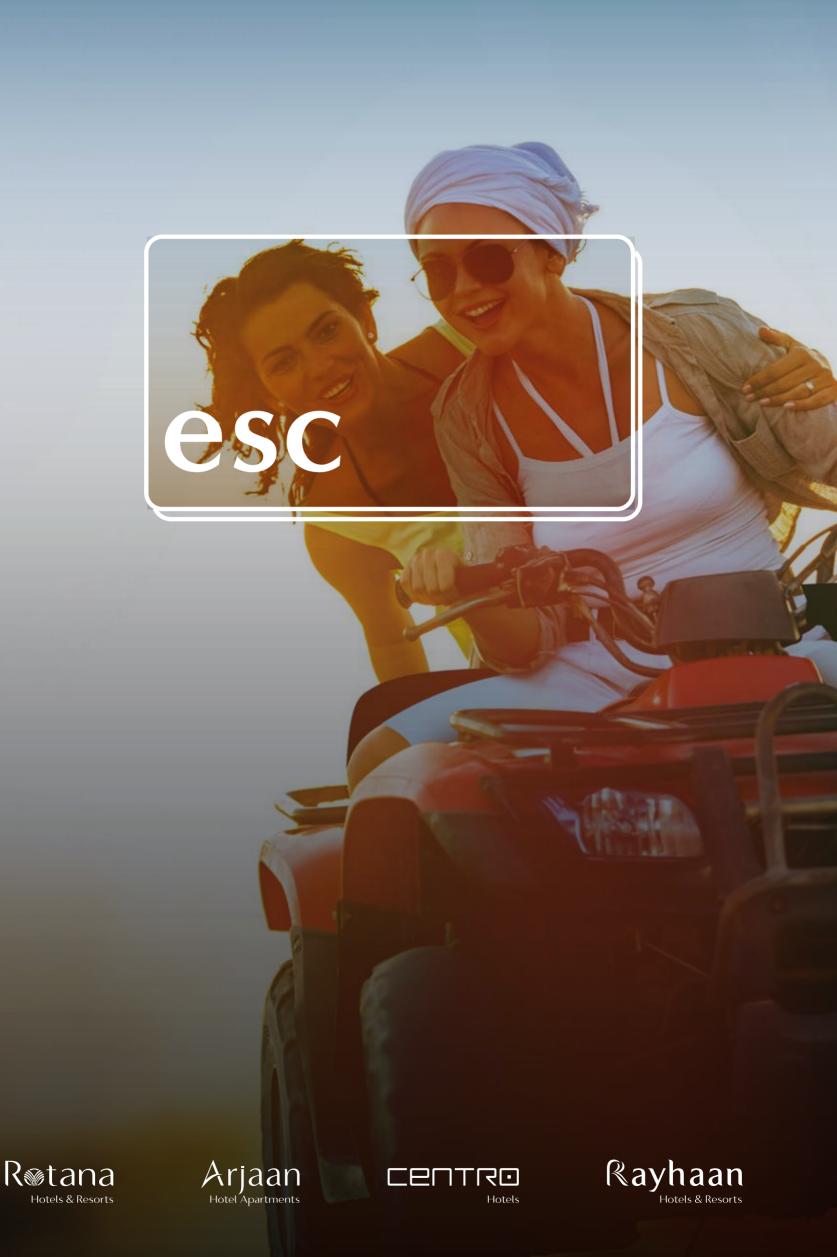


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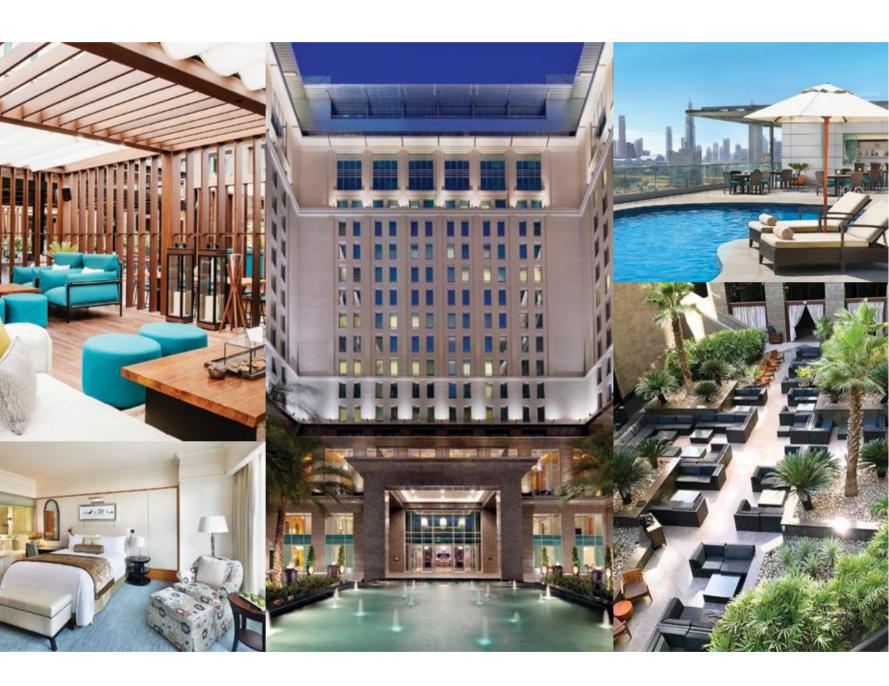
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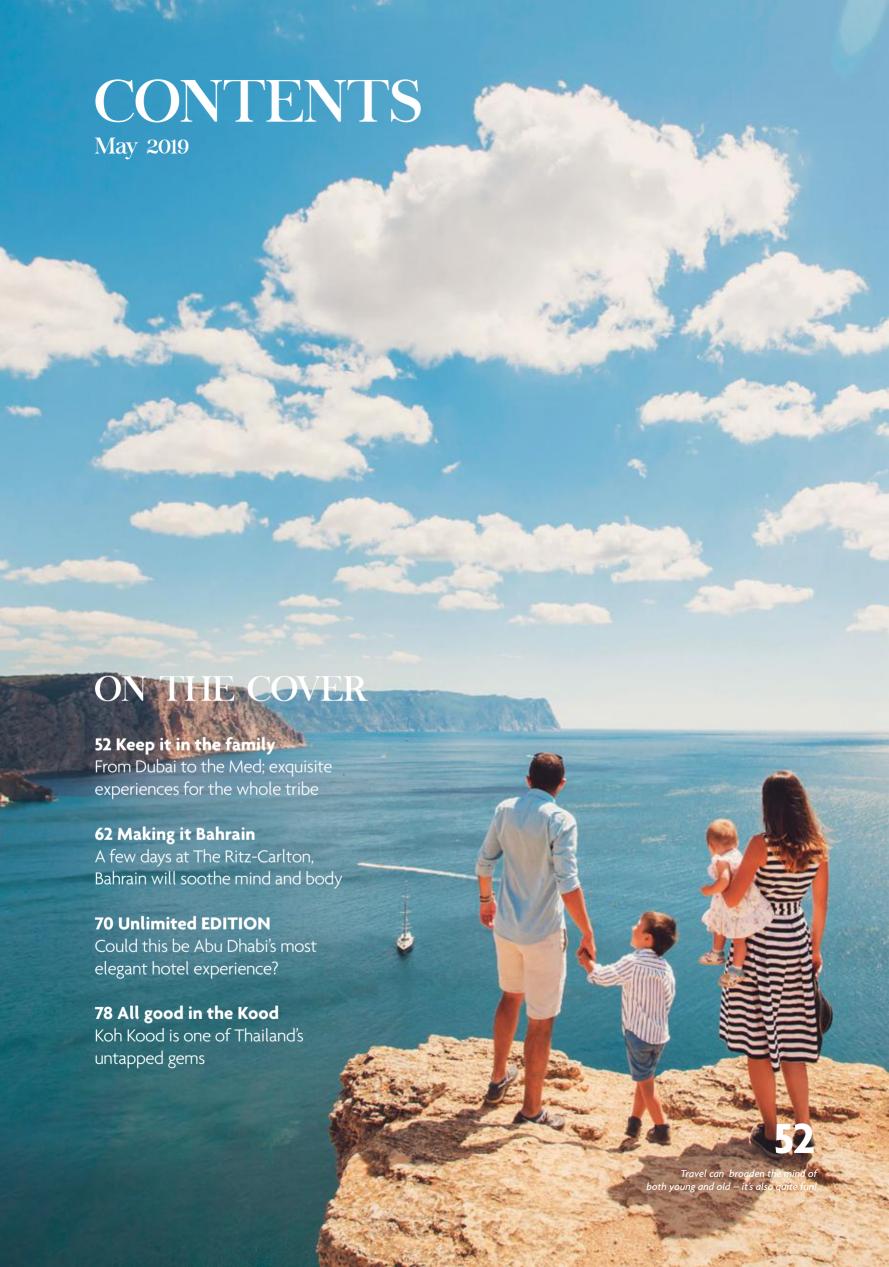
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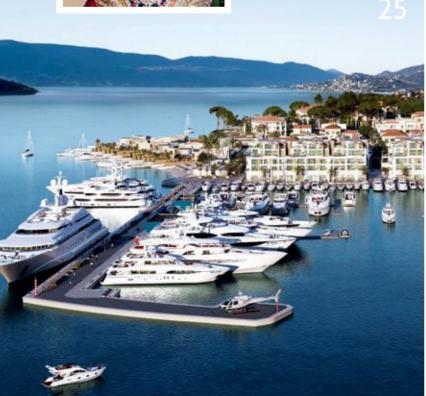
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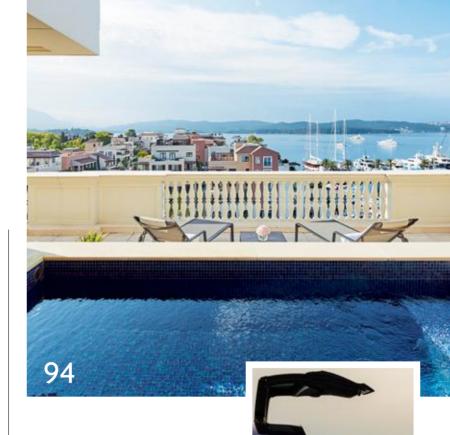
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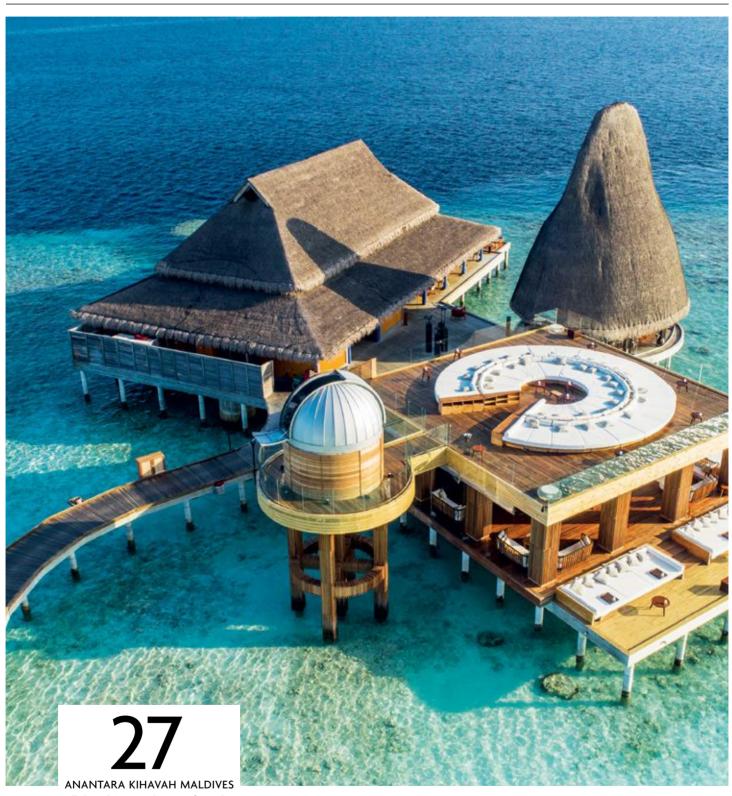
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AL BALEED RESORT SALALAH BY ANANTARA is inviting travellers to enjoy the start of spring in Oman with the official kick-off of frankincense season in the coastal town in the south of the country. Known as the perfume capital of Arabia, Salalah is renowned for its production of frankincense, a resin extracted from the Boswellia sacra tree. Quality is based on purity, aroma, age, shape and colour, and was worth more than gold in ancient times.

The luxury property, which burns frankincense in the lobby, has a Salalah Guru, Hussain Balhalf, who provides be spoke excursions to $\,$ guests, and says that nearly on every tour is a request to see and buy frankincense. According to Balhalf, the most popular time to harvest frankincense starts in April through July when the monsoon season $% \left\{ 1,2,...,n\right\}$ begins.

After a day out stocking up on products from local vendors and discovering the history of the "diamonds" of Oman, guests can retreat to Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara where the frankincense experience continues with the resort's signature Frankincense Ritual at the spa. This pampering 90-minute treatment features two $\,$ specialists performing four-hand synchronised massage techniques while harnessing the natural healing benefits of frankincense, both aromatically and topically. Private guided frankincense tours with the Anantara Salalah Guru start from OMR 90 (\$234).www.anantara.com



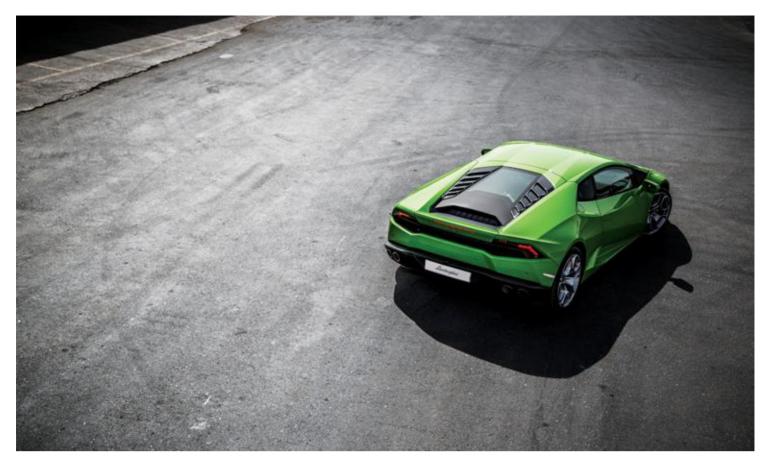
WELLNESS SOLUTION BY PANASONIC ON-BOARD ETIHAD AIRWAYS



UAE'S NATIONAL AIRLINE ETIHAD AIRWAYS and Panasonic Avionics Corporation have entered into a partnership to jointly develop and trial wellness solutions aimed at enhancing the traveller experience. As part of the partnership, Etihad will be the first airline to trial Panasonic's

new Jet Lag Adviser, which was developed in collaboration with Detalytics. The solution, which leverages artificial intelligence (AI), will be integrated into the airline's passenger app.

To help passengers combat jet lag, the Jet Lag Adviser takes a range of passenger inputs including chronotype, circadian rhythms, height, weight, the nature of travel, and travel information such as flight times, routes and zones and uses its artificial intelligence engine to produce personalised jet lag plans for passengers with tailored advisories to help them reduce jet lag. Throughout each phase of the travel experience, the Jet Lag Adviser will send reminders with recommended actions to passengers via the app. Panasonic is also exploring further wellness technologies with Etihad. www.etihad.com







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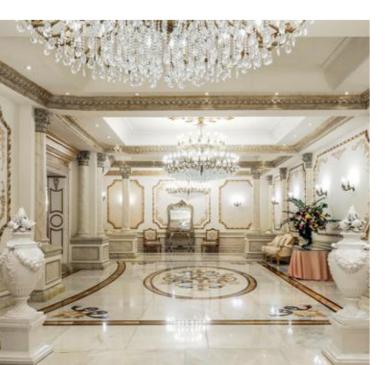
JEDDAH WELCOMES THE VENUE

THE VENUE JEDDAH CORNICHE has debuted on banks of the Red Sea. The luxury hotel comprises two towers with exclusive five star features, conveniently within walking distance of the public beach, children's playgrounds, jogging paths. The hotel is also just a 20-minutes drive from King Abdulaziz International Airport, business districts and bustling retail areas. The Venue is the first of its brand to be added to the umbrella of Al Tamaiouz Hotels and Resorts, offering Red Sea views. With 127 rooms and 64 suites the hotel is a hub for meetings and events, boasting 11 meeting rooms and an auditorium. The bespoke pillar-less Duniaty Ballroom further offers a 2,000sqm area for weddings, conferences and events.

Whatever the reason for travel, guests can relax and unwind at V-spa while children enjoy their time at the Penguin Kids Club. Visitors can also take a gastronomic journey and dine in a contemporary and lively atmosphere as they enjoy a unique vantage point over the water. Discover Middle Eastern and international cuisine at The Venue Jeddah's all day dining restaurant, Le Voyageur, or dine al fresco at Astro Terrace Lounge – the perfect place for stargazing with city views.

www.the-venue.com





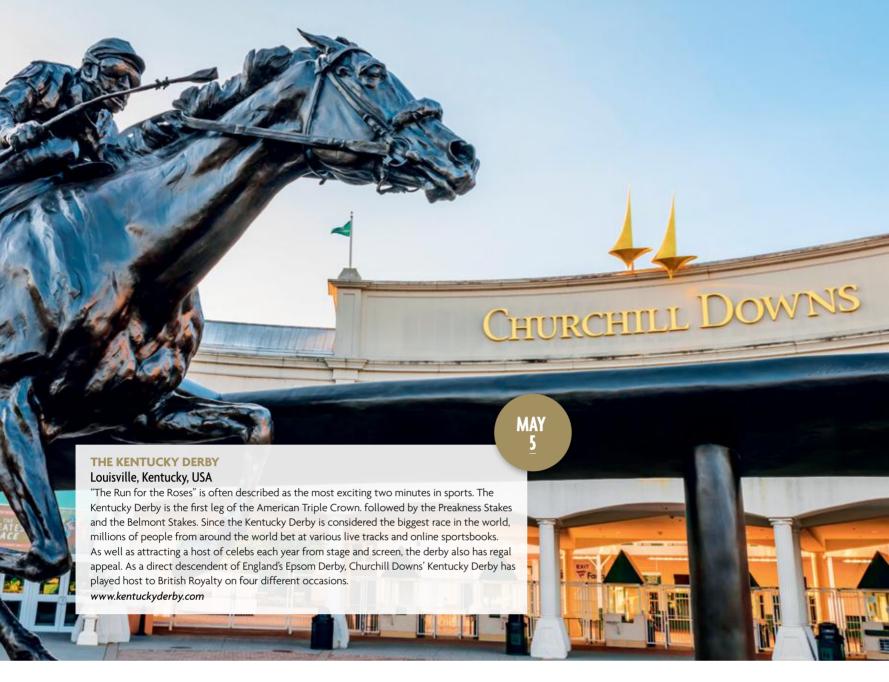




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Diary

This month's essential diary dates are steeped in tradition, collectively dating back hundreds of years. From the sweet scents of blooming London to the thundering hooves of the Kentucky Derby, May has much to offer

2019 CANNES FILM FESTIVAL

Cannes, France

The 72nd edition of the iconic Festival de Cannes is about to get underway and it's as much about "who are you wearing?" as it is "who will win?" Various VIP concierge packages are available to ensure access to the hottest ceremonies, premieres, and celebrity events. "In order to achieve this level of longevity, the Festival de Cannes has remained faithful to its founding purpose: to draw attention to and raise the profile of films, with the aim of contributing towards the development of cinema, boosting the film industry worldwide and celebrating cinema at an international level," explained Thierry Frémaux, General Delegate since 2007.

www.festival-cannes.com

CHELSEA IN BLOOM

London, UK

Chelsea in Bloom is back – the world-class alternative floral art show that transforms Chelsea's most iconic streets with breath-taking floral displays, announces this year's theme of Under The Sea. Produced by Cadogan, in association with the Royal Horticultural Society, Chelsea in Bloom runs from the 20th-25th May and extends the Chelsea Flower Show out into the local neighbourhood. Over 60 shops, restaurants and hotels have already confirmed participation, from Sloane Street, Pavilion Road, Duke of York Square, and for the first year, the legendary King's Road, to celebrate its re-launch in April 2019. Each participating partner will be invited to interpret the 'Under the Sea' theme in their own unique way, competing for the coveted award of 'Best Floral Display', and Sloane Square will once more become home to a stunning central installation and information point for the week, with the opportunity to book a free rickshaw ride or walking tour to take in some of the highlights. Over the years, the competition has become a fixture in the London summer cultural calendar, attracting audiences from around the globe.

www.chelseainbloom.co.uk



MAY 26



2019 MONACO GRAND PRIX

Circuit de Monaco

Since 1929, the world's best Formula One drivers have been revving, thrilling and spilling around the tightly wound streets of Monaco. Pressed up against the Med, in one of Europe's most glamorous cities, the teams build towards the main event with practise laps from May 23-25 before qualifying takes place May 25. By May 26, the entire principality of Monaco is at a standstill for the Grand Prix, with the eyes of the world fixed on one of the most important and prestigious automobile races in the world. www.formula1.com





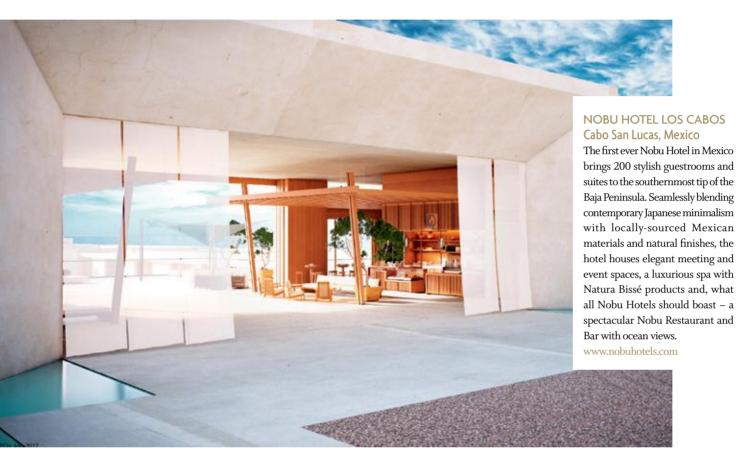
MET GALA

New York, USA

If we're being longwinded, the Costume Institute Gala at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art is the biggest event on the fashion fundraising calendar. However, if you refer to it as the 'Met Gala', we all know what to expect. Some of the hottest stars in music and film rub shoulders and grab headlines with show stopping outfits by renowned fashion designers, most of whom are in attendance also. Founded by publicist Eleanor Lambert, the benefit was first held in 1948 to encourage donations from New York's high society. The night is centred on the theme of the new exhibition, Camp: Notes On Fashion. Previous themes included Heavenly Bodies: Fashion and the Catholic Imagination: Manus x Machina. Punk: Chaos to Couture; and China: Through the Looking Glass.

www.metmuseum.org

Debut May



HOTEL DE LA VILLE Rome, Italy

Located on Via Sistina, Rocco Forte's historical Hotel de la Ville has revealed a splendid new façade while local artisans continue to work on expertly restoring the beautiful architectural features in what promises to be the most exciting hotel opening in the Eternal City this year. The 18th-century palazzo is located above the Spanish Steps and pays homage to the European Grand Tour giving it a contemporary twist. Doors are set to open May 28.

www.roccofortehotels.com











MASSERIA TORRE MAIZZA Puglia, Italy

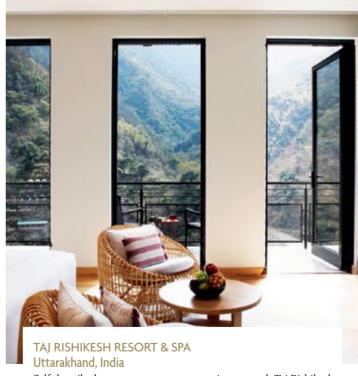
Set in the achingly quaint area of Savelleteri di Fasano, along the Adriatic coast and surrounded by ancient olive groves, Rocco Forte's Masseria Torre Maizza has opened in a farmhouse that dates back to the 16th century. An investment of over six million euros has brought the property back to its natural beauty. The resort now features 40 lavish suites all with stunning views of the Apulian countryside, including the addition of the magnificent twobedroom Torre Suite, located on the top floor of the masseria's original tower. Guests have a variety of amenities to choose from while staying at the resort including a 20-metre pool, a ninehole executive golf course, access to a private beach club, fitness centre and spa treatments at the Rocco Forte Spa. www.roccofortehotels.com

COMO CASTELLO DEL NERO Tavarnelle Val di Pesa, Italy

An exceptional 740-acre estate in the Chianti wine region, Tuscany's COMO Castello Del Nero offers something a little atypical from most hotels. At the property's heart stands a 12th-century castle featuring 50 rooms and suites with new interiors. The Castello's historic terracotta flooring, fresco walls and vaulted ceilings remain untouched, alongside a lighter, more modern 'COMO' aesthetic, to complement and enhance the sense of history at the castello. The Michelin-starred La Torre is located in the original stables of the castle in the winter, transferring to the garden terrace in summer. The hotel also features two informal restaurants: La Taverna for traditional Tuscan fare; and during the summer months, the Pavilion, which offers Mediterranean-inspired cuisine and signature COMO dishes.

www.comohotels.com/en/castellodelnero





Self-described as a serene sanctuary to stir your soul, Taj Rishikesh Resort & Spa is spread over 12 and a half acres of terraced gardens on the banks of the river Ganges in the shadow of the Himalayas. Each spacious $room\ has\ panoramic\ views\ of\ the\ river,\ with\ a\ white\ sandy\ beach,\ as\ well$ as the majestic mountain vista. Taj Rishikesh is a blend of contemporary and rustic in communion with nature and an architectural tribute to the Garhwal region. Guests should prepare to embark on adventurous $\,$ activities like river rafting, rock climbing, rappelling, kayaking, local village visits and hiking. Or simply enjoy the quintessential five-star Taj experience in the comfort of your suite.

-FAMILY-TRAVEL

Travel experiences designed to create bonding moments and lasting memories are the new currency in the world of luxury family travel, says Joe Mortimer



THE RITZ-CARLTON REIGNS IN BAHRAIN

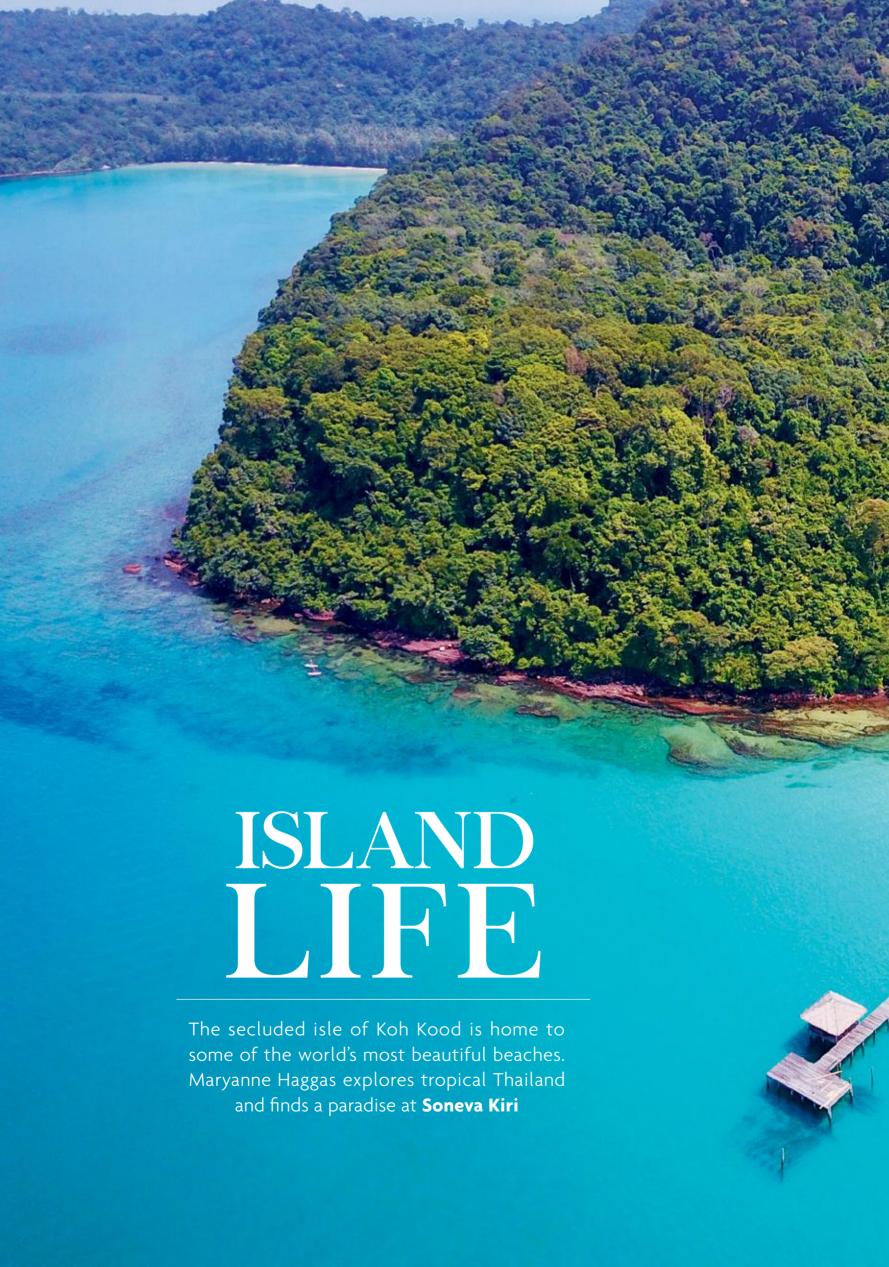
Spend a weekend in Bahrain and unlock the Arabian Gulf's laid-back island with a stay at The Ritz-Carlton, Bahrain



THE ULTIMATE EDITION

A modern property full of history, art and enough food to ensure you'll never want to leave — Danae Mercer heads to Al Bateen Peninsula to discover **The Abu Dhabi EDITION**









Fairmont's Family Holiday Package includes round-trip transfers for two adults and two children, breakfasts, dinners, art studio activities, an ocean discovery experience with a marine biologist, a family cooking class and other activities – such as a $\ensuremath{\text{a}}$ dolphin and snorkelling trip via speed boat.

WHERE: Shaviyani Atoll, Maldives WHAT: The Family Holiday Package WHEN: Until August 31, 2019 www.fairmont.com/maldives



This month's set of stunning escapes are focused on family. With shorefront escapes filled with aquatic activities to the city lights of Singapore, find the retreat that fits



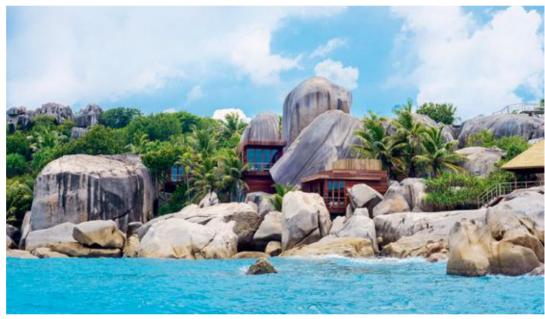
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Book a Two-Bedroom Pool Villa at Six Senses Zil Payson and receive a 20% discount and complimentary upgrade to all-inclusive – for the whole family. The Family Diary package includes 'Daily Grow With Six Senses' activities for junior guests, including kids yoga, coconut painting, a mocktail making class, sustainability walks and an organic garden experience. There's also myriad options for breakfast, lunch and dinner – in the restaurants or in-villa – with your mini-bar restocked once daily. WHERE: Felicite, Seychelles WHAT: The Family Diary offer WHEN: Until October 31, 2019 www.sixsenses.com





RAFFLES SEYCHELLES

Escape to Raffles Seychelles for a minimum of five nights and receive 15% off your rate accompanied by complimentary half board & a one-way helicopter transfer. Enjoy spacious villa accommodation with a private plunge pool, outdoor pavilion with $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($ sun-deck beds, dining table, a deep bathtub with ocean views, indoor and outdoor rain showers and a balcony overlooking the Indian Ocean. All of this is offered in tandem $\,$

with a complimentary Half Board experience. WHERE: Praslin, Seychelles WHAT: Raffles Seychelles Signature Offer WHEN: Until December 25, 2019 www.raffles.com/seychelles

Arabian

Summertime... and the weather is scorching – but there's plenty of fun to be had with family, friends and loved ones within these local five-star havens



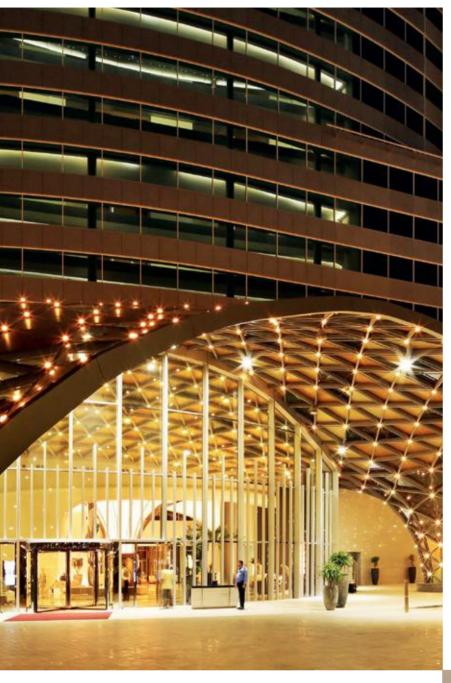
STAY AND PLAY AT PALAZZO VERSACE

WHERE: PALAZZO VERSACE DUBAI, UAE

Picture the sartorial elegance of Palazzo Versace Dubai, paired with the fun and frolics of Dubai's top family attractions. The hotel's Family Stay and Play offer includes an overnight stay, breakfast and tickets to Dubai Parks & Resorts – the Middle East's largest integrated leisure destination, with more than 100 rides and attractions. You can choose from access to Motiongate, Bollywood Parks and Legoland Dubai. The package includes a room or suite stay with entire family access to the parks once during your stay. There's also daily breakfast at Giardino and 20% off food, beverage and spa.

www.palazzoversace.ae







A FAMILY WEEKEND ESCAPE IN BAHRAIN

WHERE: ART ROTANA HOTEL & RESORT, BAHRAIN

Restore your sense of wonder and enjoy another perspective on Middle Eastern luxury with a family weekend in the heart of Amwaj Islands. Treat your nearest and dearest to a two-day family getaway at Art Rotana Manama, Bahrain, complete with amazing beach access only a few steps away. The 'Family Weekend Escape' benefits include a connecting room or suite, a breakfast buffet and \$20 on-property credit per room. Kids aged 12 or younger stay and eat free as part of the package, which runs until October 31.

www.rotana.com







SPEND IT ESSENTIALS



BACK TO THE WALL

The dial of the GryoGraff Great Wall of China has four layers, each in relief, starting with a background made of aventurine, creating the look of a starry sky. The second forms the towers and walls, made from a hand-engraved gold mount. The watch continue Graff's tradition of showcasing some of the world's most intricate métiers d'art techniques. www.graff.com

GREEN WITH ENVY

This Precious Lace timepiece is hewn from 18-carat white gold set with emeralds (11.5cts) and diamonds (for a total of 32.6cts). The dial is fully set with emeralds and diamonds, with a mechanical self-winding movement.

www.chopard.com



PRECIOUS LACE

Chopard's Precious Lace collection evokes the graceful charm of blooming petals and the joyful flurry of a whirling tutu . These hoop earrings in 18ct white gold are set with pearshaped emeralds (8.5cts) and marquise-cut (4.9cts) and brilliant-cut (1.9ct) diamonds.

www.chopard.com



NEW LIFE, NEW LOVE

This Palais Tsarskoye Selo Rose Locket with a Heart Surprise features pink guilloche enamel and round white diamonds, set in 18 karat rose gold. The concealed heart is decorated with red-pink enamel inside. The 'I Love You' Rose Gold Pendant is hand engraved and customers are invited to personalise the message. www.faberge.com

SIMPLY Complications, precision and inspiration. Keith W. Strandberg casts a watchful eye over the latest timepiece trends COMPLICATED

You would think that today's world is complicated enough, but in watches, complications are a good thing. A complication is defined as any feature of a watch that goes above and beyond telling the time. Even a date is a complication, though not something particularly difficult.

It's when complications get difficult that things really get interesting in the watch world...and more expensive. Some of the most complicated watches can take up to a year or more for a master watchmaker to assemble, and that doesn't account for the time it takes to design and manufacture all the parts. Often, a highly complicated watch has more than 600 separate parts, and some have over 1.000.

Here are some of the most popular complications available today:

DUAL TIME/GMT/TRAVEL TIME:

This timepiece displays two time zones simultaneously, either through a GMT hand that points to the second time zone or a separate subdial for the second time zone. There are some three-time-zone watches and some brands offer world-time watches, which provide a way to read the time in 24 time zones around the world (and some even include the time zones offset by 15 or 30 minutes).

CHRONOGRAPH: This is a watch that allows for the independent timing of an event. Usually, a chronograph has two pushers on the side of the case to start, stop and return the chronograph hand. Most chronographs have subdials that measure the minutes and hours. There are chronographs that have only one pusher, which controls all the chronograph functions, and these are called monopusher chronographs. A chronometer, not to be confused with a chronograph, is a watch certified to an official precision standard.

REGULATOR: This is a watch that emphasizes the minute hand, as it was the kind of clock used in watchmaking workshops. The watchmakers "regulated" the clocks and watches they were working on to the time displayed on this clock.

SPLIT SECOND CHRONOGRAPH: This chronograph has two chronograph hands instead of one, which split apart, allowing



you to time different things. The French term for this complication is rattrapante, which means "recovering" or "catching again."

ANNUAL CALENDAR: This watch will run for a full year (starting on March 1) without having to be reset. It will have to be reset at the end of February, the only month that varies in the number of days from year to year.

PERPETUAL CALENDAR: The ultimate calendar because it knows how long each year is, no matter if it is a leap year. Keep a quality perpetual calendar running and you won't have to reset it until the year 2100.

This spread, clockwise from above: The Jacob & Co. Astronomia Casino; the Franck Muller Vantage Crazy Hours; the Blancpain Villeret Perpetual Calendar; the Patek Philippe Ref. 5172G.

POWER RESERVE/RÉSERVE DE MARCHE:

This complication is an indicator somewhere on the watch (usually on the dial) that shows how much power is left in your mechanical timepiece.

MOON PHASE: These watches have a display that shows the phase of the moon.

RETROGRADE DISPLAY: This kind of display counts up (whether it is seconds, minutes, the date, etc.) then snaps back to zero.

JUMPING HOUR: Instead of regular hands, a single digit shows the hour and it jumps directly to the next hour, from three to four, for example.





MINUTE REPEATER: This is a watch that chimes out the time (hours, quarter-hours and minutes) when a lever is activated. The minute repeater is considered one of the $most\ complicated\ watches\ to\ manufacture.$

TOURBILLON: A tourbillon is a complication designed to counteract the effect of gravity on the movement's balance, thereby safeguarding the movement's accuracy. The tourbillon features a cage that holds the balance and the escapement, and the cage turns independently of the watch, usually at a constant rate of once per minute. The tourbillon, which means "whirlwind" in French, is one of the watchmaking art's most involved and elegant complications.

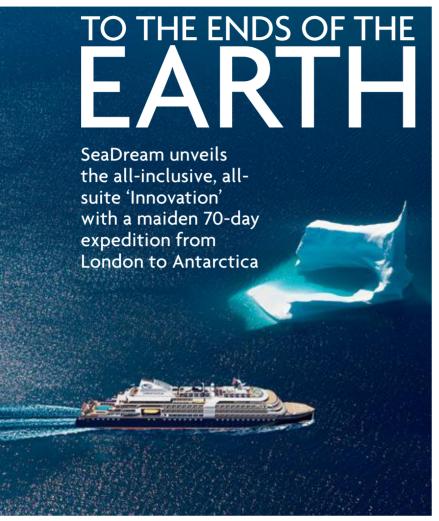
GRANDE COMPLICATION: This rare watch combines at least three high complications — usually one from each of the following groups: chronograph, calendar/moon phase and striking, and often includes a tourbillon. $\,$

Producing a watch with any complication, or combination of complications, takes a great deal of expertise, amazing attention to detail and know-how. In general, when a complication is added to a movement, it means that more can potentially go wrong, so it is important to purchase a complicated watch from a quality company.



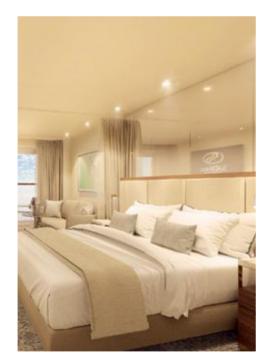












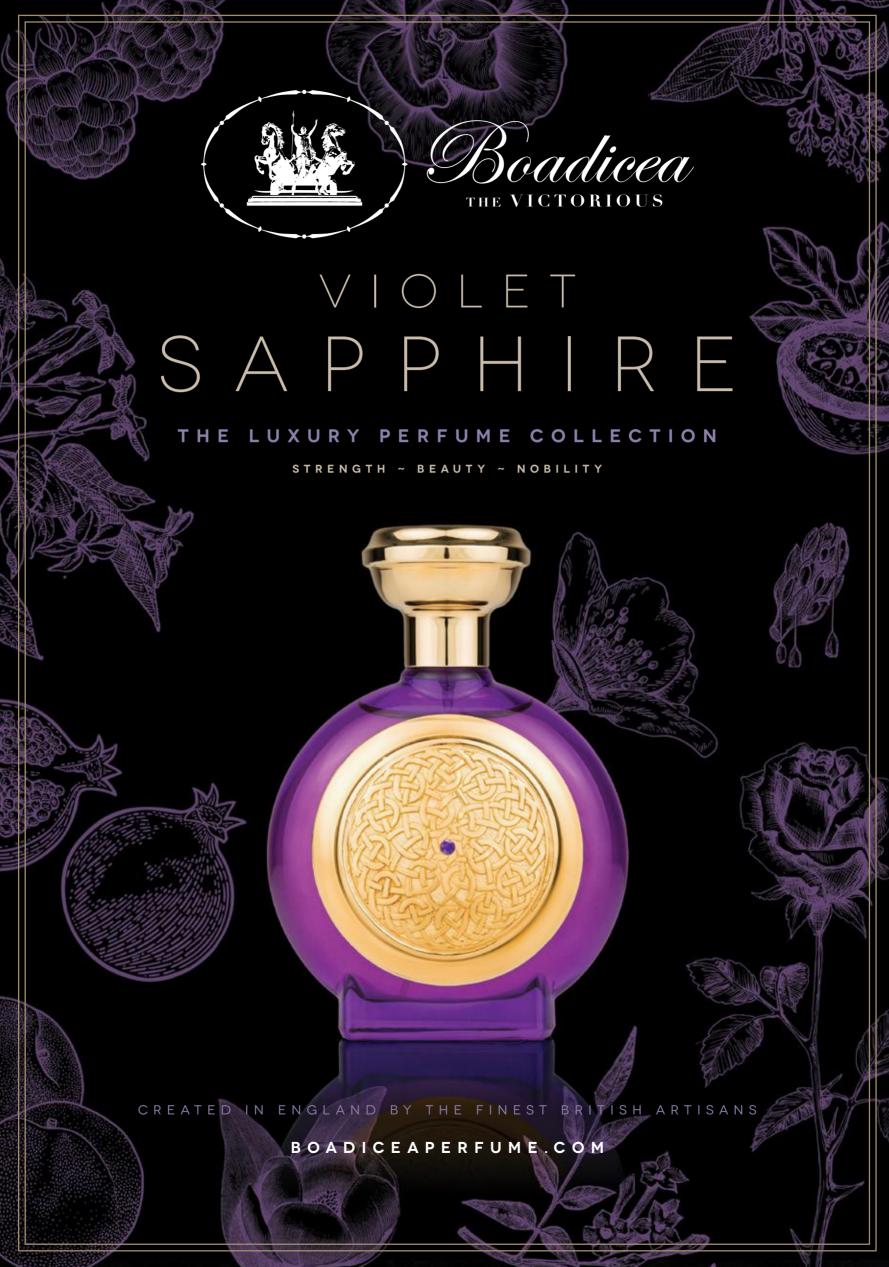
IT'S NEVER BEEN THIS EASY, nor comfortable, to uncover the frosty vistas of Antarctica. Sea Dream can now help you tick off the elusive continent with its new ship, Innovation, which holds 220 passengers in 110 boutique luxury suites, with a one-to-one guest-crew ratio.

The inaugural voyage is slated for September 2021, taking passengers on a 70-day trip from London to Antarctica. An even more intriguing itinerary leaves Ushuaia, Argentina, in February 2022, bringing guests down to the southernmost continent for a sighting of emperor penguins before moving all the way up to Longyearbyen, Norway, to search for polar bears.

The expedition takes nearly three months and includes several stops along South America's east coast, a couple of ports in Africa, and numerous sojourns in the western half of Europe. The megayacht will sail to all seven continents in its first season, visiting over 200 ports in 49 countries.

Aboard the nine-deck ship you'll find three marinas; one for swimming in an in-ocean pool, another for non-motorised watersports such as kayaks and sailboats, and the third for mechanised equipment such as wave runners. There's an indoor restaurant onboard but most meals will be served alfresco. And if you find yourself wanting some fresh air, more than 40 guests can book one of the outdoor Balinese beds and sleep under the stars.

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