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November/December 2021 WHAT'S NEW IN NASHVILLE, EPIC ANDALUSIA, ACCESSIBLE TRAVEL, PLUS STYLISH SKI SPOTS



DUOMO DREAMING -

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LA BELLA VITA

A CITY WITHIN A CITY

SPERONARI SUITES MILAN, ITALY

Does Milan inspire fashionable hotels, or are hotels fashionable by virtue of being in Milan? Whichever your theory, model good looks are on the menu at this collection of handsome suites just off boutique-laden Via Torino. Have your selfie stick at the ready - you're only five minutes from the city's famous cathedral.

ENJOY Sweating out the Campari in the hotel's very own Finnish

EXPERIENCE Truffle-topped tartare at the old school El Porteño Gourmet restaurant. **INSTAGRAM** Pull a languorous pose on one of those lush

velvet sofas. DETAILS 22 stylish suites, 25 minutes from the airport. 24-hour avm.

BOOKIT Rooms from £160. speronarisuites.it/en

THE COLONY CLUB

On the luscious platinum west coast of sun-baked Barbs, this is one of a handful of ritzy Elegant Hotels properties on the island. Seven acres of tropical gardens interweave with blue lagoon pools (and waterfalls!), while newly refurbed rooms finely balance old-world charm with modern tech and pampering.

ENJOY A delicious rum-paired dinner in the swanky new Rum Vault, led by the entertaining (and aptly named) Corey Sobers. **EXPERIENCE** A deep dive into Bridgetown on an unmissable Characters of Town walking tour. **INSTAGRAM** Swimming off a boat with very well-fed turtles. **DETAILS** 96 rooms and suites, two restaurants, one organic herb and vegetable garden. **BOOKIT** Book with BA Holidays

at ba.com/colonyclub



Church bells toll, distant dogs bark and the Mediterranean sun beats down on a 600-yearold farmhouse that, nestled on the banks of the lazy Arno river, is all about laidback Italian living. Rooms get an A+ for traditional Tuscan flair, with wooden shutters, frescopainted walls and sumptuous rust-coloured sofas. Bellissimo.

ENJOY Focaccia-making, plus prosecco and a to-die-for cheeseboard at Casa Colonica. **EXPERIENCE** Michelangelo's unfinished Pietà in the nearby Opera del Duomo Museum. **INSTAGRAM** The hotel's Roman bath in its chambered spa. **DETAILS** 51 rooms and suites, two restaurants, one home-grown olive oil (and a chef who gets through almost 30 bottles a day). **BOOK IT** Book with BA Holidays at ba.com/villalamassa

LAS VEGAS HILTON AT **RESORTS WORLD** LAS VEGAS, USA

more than a decade, Resorts World is the vast home of a new and techier-than-ever Hilton. Rooms are keyless, casinos are cashless, concierges are of the Al variety and food is brought anywhere thanks to a partnership with the Grubhub app. Oh, and it's crypto-friendly.

The strip's first 'megaresort' in

at The District, the resort's two-storey shopping and experiential mall. **INSTAGRAM** Gillie and Marc Schattner's smoothing Rabbitgirl and Dogman sculpture by reception. **DETAILS** More than 40 dining outlets, seven outdoor pools, a 27,000ft spa and a 5,000capacity theatre.

EXPERIENCE Capitalism on acid

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PALACIO SOELCIO MÁLAGA, SPAIN

If golden hour were a hotel, it would look something like this. A lovingly restored 18thcentury mansion and former playing card factory, this is now a luxury boutique hotel in Malaga's historic heart. Sunshine vibes can be clocked all the way down to the minibars, which are stocked with locally sourced treats.

ENJOY The talents of José Carlos García in his courtyard restaurant, Balausta.

EXPERIENCE A heart-fluttering live flamenco show at nearby CalYCanto.

INSTAGRAM Surrealist art at the Picasso Museum - just steps away from the hotel lobby. **DETAILS** 68 rooms, including the extraordinary 'Torre' suite with 360° city views.

BOOK IT Doubles from £171. palaciosolecio.com

ARLO NOMAD HOTEL NEW YORK, USA

If you're reuniting with the Big Apple, do it properly. Peek at the golden top of The New York Life Building from your bed, sink a Coney Island Pilsner with Empire State views, grab a meatball parm from the 24-hour bodega. The good news is that you can do all three inside Arlo NoMad Hotel.

ENJOY Taking your coffee to the second floor library to recharge. **EXPERIENCE** A Middle Eastern feast at Lamalo. That chocolate mousse with olive oil and sea salt is a sensation. **INSTAGRAM** You. The bed. The

Queen Sky Room. That's all we're saying.

DETAILS 29 floors, 250 spotless rooms and accessible suites, two bars (one on the roof). **BOOK IT** Book with BA Holidays at

ba.com/arlonomad



HILTON TANGIER AL HOUARA **RESORT & SPA** TANGIER, MOROCCO

Since the installation of hyper-fast TGV trains across Morocco, the charming northern port city of Tangier has been riding such a high that it's no wonder Hilton came to town. Tangier's 3,500-year-old kasbah is just 20 minutes away, but days and nights are equally as enjoyable spent poolside, cocktail in hand.

ENJOY Turbot and lobster raqù with caviar foam at L'Olivier restaurant.

EXPERIENCE A sunrise ride on one of six graceful brown horses along a 15-mile private beach. **INSTAGRAM** Nearby Chefchaouen, whose old town is entirely bathed in sky-blue paint. **DETAILS** 304 rooms, a 1,400capacity ballroom, 18-hole golf course, three pools. **BOOK IT** Rooms from £110. hilton.com



THE GROVE HERTFORDSHIRE

This five-star hotel offers peace and quiet only an hour from London, with walking trails, a golf course, as well as rewilded gardens and lots of space. Though family friendly, it hasn't sacrificed any of the zhuzh in a recent refurb, while regular pop-up restaurants and an outstanding breakfast buffet provide culinary treats.

ENJOY An indulgent aromatherapy 'inner calm' massage at the Sequoia spa. **EXPERIENCE** Unleash your inner

crackshot by trying your hand at 'laser clay' shooting **INSTAGRAM** The topiary creatures dotted around the ground, particularly the giraffe peeking over the walled garden **DETAILS** 215 rooms, 12 suites and 300 acres with a walled garden. **BOOKIT** Rooms from £370. thegrove.co.uk

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