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## 22 Gorgeous New Hotels For Travel In 2022 And Beyond



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Travel

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The Chatwal Lodge

TIM WILLIAMS

Life goes on, and so do hotel openings. Next year promises a slew of extraordinary new properties around the world, from Mexico to London to Sumba. Some are snazzy city hotels while others are immersions into untouched nature or traditional cultures. What they share is an independent spirit, a painstaking attention to detail, a willingness to rewrite the rules and—

in quite a few cases—genuine attention paid to sustainability. Whenever we're ready to travel, they'll be waiting.

## NORTH AMERICA

### **Chatwal Lodge, Bethel, New York**

Further cementing the Catskills' status as a smart getaway from New York City, the new Chatwal Lodge is nestled within the gates of the Chapin Estate, with elegant details that seem to have been carved straight from the woods in which it stands. There will be farm to table cuisine and an impressive spa.



A rendering of the Wall Street Hotel

VUW STUDIO

### **The Wall Street Hotel, New York City**

With 100 years of international trade and travel experience, the Paspaley family—Australia's renowned pearling family and the property's ownership group—is returning to New York City's historic pearl trading district with its inaugural hotel. Housed in the landmark Tontine building, the hotel was designed to soften the edges of the ambitious metropolis. With vibrant colors,

striking lounges and 180 rooms that are worldly and chic, the property invites guests to rediscover downtown.



The Virginian

COURTESY OF THE HOTEL

### **The Virginian Lodge, Jackson, Wyoming**

Opening in January, this newly reimagined mountain hotel is just 11 miles from Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, home to some of the most epic skiing in North America. It's also an ideal basecamp to access Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Park. Nearly six decades since its opening in 1965, the 165 all-new, midcentury-style guest rooms and suites feature warm wood accents and retro furnishings that create a vibe that's authentically Western and efficient for the modern adventurer.



A rendering of the Hythe

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### **The Hythe, a Luxury Collection Resort, Vail**

After a \$40 million renovation, the resort is debuting as an entirely new concept in the heart of Vail. The transformation includes a new arrival experience, four new culinary concepts and exclusive mountain-forward excursions and experiences. Onsite “Adventure Stewards” will organize experiences for guests with local culinary mountain sport experts, pro athletes and global brand ambassadors—everything from beginner ski lessons to extreme off-roading with professionals.



Casa Polanco

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### **Casa Polanco, Mexico City**

In the upscale neighborhood of Polanco, the highly anticipated Casa Polanco is set to open early next year as a 5-star luxury villa. Built in the 1930s as a private residence for some of Mexico City's most prominent aristocratic families, it has a mix of modern and classic Spanish colonial revival architecture. The owners undertook a careful four-year restoration, preserving and bringing many architectural features throughout the 19-suite property to their original splendor. The designers visited Mexico's antique shops and bazaars to find rare original '30s and '40s accessories and art celebrating Mexico's personality, heritage and culture.



The location for Casa Chablé

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### **Casa Chablé, Sian Ka'an Biosphere, Tulum**

Located 22 miles south of Tulum in the Sian Ka'an biosphere, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the newest addition to the portfolio of the wellness-minded brand Chablé will offer true barefoot luxury, ultimate seclusion and immersion in nature on an untouched stretch of Quintana Roo's Caribbean coast. With remoteness central to its charm, it's surrounded by 12 acres of tropical jungle and fronted by white sand beaches. Guests can enjoy the sunrise over the Caribbean and a sunset champagne toast on the dock overlooking the shimmering lagoon. There's a private villa with five guest suites, each with its own private terrace, and five standalone beachfront villas.

# EUROPE



## The Other House

JACK HARDY

### **The Other House, London**

Not exactly a hotel, this “residents' club”—launching in South Kensington in spring—blurs the lines between hotels, serviced apartments and private rentals, positioning itself as a second home for its guests for however long they want to stay, whether it's a day or a year. The stylish project includes a refined restaurant and bar, results-driven wellness, a refrigerator-stocking service and lockers for deliveries.



Agriturismo Casetta

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### **Agriturismo Casetta, Tuscany**

The elegant but rustic accommodation occupies a 270-year-old completely renovated farmhouse surrounded by the lush countryside. It has five luxurious double bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, including Italian linens and Florentine toiletries. There's all-day farm-to-table dining (of course) and customized pizza baked in the outdoor fire oven for dinner. The owner has created an enrichment series including Italian experiences such as truffle hunting with royalty and a transformative equine experience with a professional expert.



Palazzo Rainis

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### **Palazzo Rainis, Novigrad, Croatia**

This new boutique and historical jewel of a hotel is located near the marina in this Istrian city. It was built toward the beginning of the 20th century in a neo-Renaissance Venetian style. Now it has 16 modern rooms and suites, and a stylish bar and breakfast room.



## Sommerro

CHRIS AADLAND

### **Sommerro, Oslo**

An iconic and historic neighborhood building turned luxurious Art Deco hotel, Sommerro is set to open in September. With panoramic views of Oslo, the hotel is housed in the former headquarters of Oslo Lysverker, the city's original electrical company, and is meant to be a modern tribute to Norwegian cultural heritage, with a strong focus on social interaction and eco-conscious experiences. It will also have an array of restaurants and bars, and the city's first rooftop pool and sauna.



Fleur de Loire

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### **Fleur de Loire, Loire Valley, France**

The former property of the brother of King Louis XIII will house a 5-star hotel with 44 rooms, including 11 suites, a gourmet restaurant helmed by Michelin-two-star chef Christophe Hay, a bistro, pastry kiosk, swimming pool and state-of-the-art Sisley branded spa. The grounds and gardens will be designed by landscape designer Raphaëlle Chéré, with a commitment to a sustainable, eco-responsible approach, while Caroline Tissier (interior designer behind such high-profile projects as the Loiseau Rive Gauche restaurant in Paris) will oversee the interior design.



Sublime Lisboa

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## **Sublime Lisboa, Portugal**

The hospitality family that essentially put Portugal's Comporta on the international map is bringing their brand of understated glamour to the Portuguese capital. Surrounded by historical buildings, charming gardens, museums, historical monuments and an aqueduct, an elegant 20th century townhouse is being turned into a 5-star luxury boutique hotel, set to open this spring. With only 15 rooms and suites, each one dressed with hand-selected objects, it's a place where comfort meets design and a luxury concierge service guarantees an upscale stay.



Icaro

LUCIANO PASELLI AND MATTEO SCARPELLINI

## **Icaro, Italian Dolomites**

It's a place of power: Sculptural peaks rise up around the exciting new architecture. Renewed yet respectful of its original structure, the hotel is already welcoming open-minded globetrotters, providing time-transcending experiences through art, nature, relaxation and architecture. The place stimulates visitors to think differently. Where walls shift, rooms shape themselves into telescopes with a distant view.



A bedroom at Brown Beach House Corinthia

COURTESY OF THE HOTEL

### **Brown Beach House Corinthia, Greece**

The first “design resort” by Tel Aviv–based hotel collection Brown Hotels is on the Corinthia coast just an hour's drive from Athens. It has an ultra-clean and organic seamless design concept intended to merge with the natural surroundings, with sweeping views of endless blue across the Saronic Gulf. Offering 166 rooms and suites and 110 bungalows, a swimming pool, rooftop bar and restaurant, water sports center, private beach and more, it’s poised to be one of Greece's most anticipated openings.



Revivo Château de Fiac

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### **Revivo Château de Fiac Wellness Resort, France**

This intimate boutique wellness retreat in a castle will offer full immersion programs to restore physical, mental and emotional wellbeing. It's a 16-bedroom, 5-star luxury sanctuary where the charm of historic Tarn blends seamlessly with elegant contemporary style. Located in the Occitanie region of Southern France, the property is set amid a picturesque village and a 200-year-old, seven-acre park with panoramic views.



Gleneagles Townhouse

COURTESY OF THE HOTEL

### **Gleneagles Townhouse, Edinburgh**

The famed Gleneagles estate is setting up shop in the center of Edinburgh, right in the heart of St. Andrew Square. The historic building was once the Bank of Scotland and is now home to a 33-room hotel, private members club, an all-day restaurant featuring one of Scotland's most interesting up-and-coming chefs, as well as a rooftop terrace bar with views over the city skyline.

## MIDDLE EAST



R48

DOR KEDMI

### **R48 Hotel & Garden, Tel Aviv**

This new, 11-room boutique project aims to set a new standard for hospitality in Tel Aviv, and features landscape architecture by Piet Oudolf (High Line Park, New York City), who was commissioned to design a garden that would connect the two plots, as well as interior design and furnishings by Liaigre. At street level, there will be a new location of the city's famed Brasserie restaurant by R2M Founders Ruti and Mati Broudo, who pioneered boutique hospitality in Tel Aviv with their first restaurant Coffeebar, in 1998, and since then opened and operated many successful establishments iconic to Tel Aviv.

## ASIA



Roka

COURTESY OF THE HOTEL

### **Roka, Japan**

A full-scale ryokan with private open-air baths in each of its 11 suites, Roka will open in time for the 2022 Setouchi Triennale, one of the largest art events in Japan. It was designed to incorporate Japanese comforts, including plush futons on tatami mats, alfresco baths and living rooms decorated with works by young contemporary artists. Guests at the inn can also enjoy the taste of Setouchi fish, well known and highly regarded in Japan.



Pawapi Beach Resort Koh Mook

COURTESY OF THE RESORT

### **Explorar Pawapi Koh Mook, Thailand**

The first resort by the Explorar brand, the property is located on the unexploited island of Koh Mook, crisscrossed by narrow roads leading to water caves and pristine beaches. Visitors can enjoy local activities such as dugong observation and scuba diving in some of the clearest waters in the region. The resort has 23 unique beachfront and sea view villas and rustic bungalows, private beach spa *salas* and a “wall of discovery” that offers guests a hub to share their travel stories and knowledge for the next explorer.



Sumba, the setting for Cap Karoso

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### **Cap Karoso, Sumba, Indonesia**

This one is setting out to be a pioneering island getaway with meaningful community engagement and sustainability at its heart when it launches in the autumn. It will be an “eco-conscious haven” with 47 rooms and 20 villas, also available for private buyers, and a seven-acre organic farm, alongside the beach of the same name (one of the world’s most spectacular stretches of sand). The project grew from the love of two globetrotting, ethically minded French adventurers, who fell for Sumba when they first holidayed there in 2017. They made it their mission to protect Sumba’s natural treasures and respectfully share them with like-minded explorers. A modern French influence informs the chic, serene interiors infused gleefully with Sumbanese antiques, contemporary Indonesian art and open communal spaces that bring the outdoors in.

# AFRICA



The Homestead

COURTESY OF THE HOTEL

## **The Homestead, South Africa**

A 12-suite eco-conscious ultra-luxury lodge is set to open this spring on the Nambiti Reserve, one of South Africa's most ambitious conservation initiatives. The Homestead is out to redefine the eco-luxury lodge through its innovative architecture that seamlessly blends into its wildlife surroundings and combines new buildings with original 19th-century structures, state-of-the-art sustainability integration and customized service. From tailored game drives to cooking classes, community elders visits, birding adventures and more, every experience at The Homestead keeps conservation, sustainability and adventure alive.



Capanne Huts

COURTESY OF THE PROJECT

### **Sextantio Rwanda, The Capanne (Huts) Project, Nkombo Island, Rwanda**

The identity-building idea that gave rise to the projects in the Italian villages of Santo Stefano di Sessanio and in the Sassi di Matera is to be repeated following a similar philosophy in another area of “social disadvantage”: on Nkombo Island in Lake Kivu, at the border between Rwanda and Congo. It’s an island that welcomes Western operators associated with religious organizations or NGOs just a few times a year. The project came about because of exhibits at the Ethnographic Museum of Rwanda, and the slight poetic license taken in this design, where original solutions were unworkable, took its cues from local building techniques, used in different contexts and for different purposes compared to the original ones but nevertheless showing no contemporary contamination. Despite having to rely on simple, non-electric tools, the high quality of the raw materials and impressive artisan techniques result in a sleekness of style and proportions. The bathrooms, while not betraying the original atmosphere imparted by the project, offer WCs, bidets and hot-water showers. But compared with a standard African resort, in the Capanne Project, the local anthropological aspect is the element on which the entire experience is centered. All these activities have the principal objective of maintaining the native social and cultural balance in order to preserve the dignity of the local populations.

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