

The Rosewood's return to the BVIs

Caribbean icon Little Dix Bay is back in action, three years after suffering serious damage at the hands of Hurricane Irma. New features at the private resort include an informal butler service which starts when you book your trip, an on-site sustainable farm that supplies the kitchen, a single-use plastic ban and a midcentury-inspired revamp by Meyer Davis (the design team behind 1 Hotel's first West Coast outpost last year). But regulars to the private bay won't be put out – the house cocktail, a Pelican Smash, hasn't changed since 1966, and neither has original owner Laurance Rockefeller's conservation approach.

From approx. £1,500 per night, rosewoodhotels.com



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JAMES BOND-INSPIRED JOURNEYS,
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WARSAW IS ONE OF EUROPE'S TOP DESTINATIONS

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2020'S TOP NEW FLIGHT PATHS

MAY: LHR to Dalaman, Turkey
Curve Bodrum's crowds at this summer's must-visit spot on the Turkish Riviera

JUNE: LHR to Portland, USA
Catch a game at Providence Park followed by artisanal cocktails at Tulip Shop Tavern

JULY: LCY to San Sebastián
Blag your way into September's film festival, and stock up on world-class ingredients



HARRIET PARRY'S INTERPRETATION OF A STILL FROM HOTEL OSWALD (2021)

The cult souvenir (that you'll actually want to take home)

Flora and fauna permeated interiors trends last year with biophilic walls and tropical wallpaper, and while hotels have always commissioned bespoke bunches, there's a new handful of creatives disrupting the scene with experimental masterpieces. Stylist and florist Harriet Parry, famous for installations that mimic film stills and artworks, was invited by London's hot new hotel The Standard to transform their lobby with one of her stunning interpretations, and The Dorchester has launched an eponymous rose in partnership with in-house florist Philip Hammond and grower Mejer Roses. It's about much more than just creating 'grammable backdrops – these bespoke bouquets allow even the most urban spaces to invite in the wilderness.

harrietparryflorist.com; thedorchester.com



April is set to be packed with high-octane events and adrenaline-rush adventures with the release of *No Time to Die* on the 2nd. As always, the Bond effect will burrow deep into the public's psyche, and we predict a spike in sales for the Omega Seamaster watch and the navy N.Peal sweater that Daniel Craig wears throughout. It's not all about his clothes though: it's where he wears them, too. The dramatic landscapes of the Faroe Islands were a key shooting location: celebspot at Hotel Føroyar or check into the islands' only boutique, Hotel Havgrím on

Tórshavn, where the crew were seen filming. We can't wait to see the scenes set in Matera, too, with its enchanting 'sassi' (stone) and labyrinthine caves – which you can actually stay in, at the subterranean Sextantio Le Grotte della Civita. Take a drive (in an Aston, obv) to Gravina's aqueduct, which Craig throws himself off in the trailer holding nothing but



GOLDENEYE, JAMAICA



JAMAICA INN, JAMAICA



a rope and, fittingly, wearing Italian tailoring (Massimo Alba, to be precise). Further afield, Ian Fleming's friends at the family-owned Jamaica Inn have launched outdoor screenings of the film, cocktail classes and tours of the island (which has been used in several Bond films) to celebrate their relationship with the author. While you're there, tack on a few extra nights at the iconic beachside GoldenEye, where 2020's Bond is thought to be retiring, no doubt with martini in hand.

hotelfooyar.fy; hotelhavgrim.fy; sextantio.it; jamaicainn.com; goldeneye.com

LONDON'S TOP 3 NEW OPENINGS



RUBY LUCY

A carnival-inspired space with an unbeatable party scene, an in-house radio station and a bar that's open 24/7. ruby-hotels.com



GREAT SCOTLAND YARD

Colonial interiors and criminally cool curiosities hark back to the building's previous incarnation as the home of the Met police. hyatt.com



NOBU LONDON

A power move by the brand, which has been long-awaited in the capital for its immaculate hospitality and, naturally, standard-setting sushi. nobuhotels.com



EASTERN standard

Big-league hotel names are jostling for prime real estate in eastern Europe, bringing their highly trusted, reliable brands of quality and comfort to the less-commonly visited corners of the continent, made all the more accessible with new flight paths from London. Last year, Radisson Blu opened in Latvia's capital Riga, with a conference centre designed to accommodate large-scale corporate events plus pet-friendly bedrooms worth booking for the city



views alone (spot Gothic spires, Art Deco architecture and the River Daugava from your room). In Poland, Warsaw welcomes Nobu to super-central Wilcza Street this June, in a flurry of new openings across the globe including London

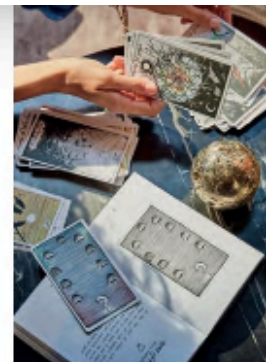


(see left), Tel Aviv and Toronto. Younger crowds will flock to the creative district of Praga, where a new Moxy set in a former vodka factory has boosted the boutique scene. Design plays on the building's industrial history, with playful touches such as corded telephones and neon light installations. In Moldova, the country's largest architectural restoration has seen Castel Mimi's Versailles-style chateau and grounds become a destination in its own right. Up until now, the winery only provided on-site accommodation in the form of seven private lodges, but this year 20 hotel rooms will open alongside a vinotherapy-style spa. Further south in Romania, fans of the Corinthia won't be disappointed by the majestic grandeur of the new location in Bucharest's Old Town, opening in 2021 after careful restoration of the historical building. radissonhotels.com; nobuhotels.com; moxy-hotels.marriott.com; castelmimi.ro; corinthia.com; hotelbristol.sk



FLIGHT CLUB

This April, a new flight route from Stansted to Slovakia's 'second city' Košice will draw visitors away from Bratislava (book into the business apartment in Bristol Hotel) and between June and September, British Airways will resume its direct flight from Heathrow to Ljubljana in Slovenia. ryamas.com; hotelbristol.sk; britishairways.com

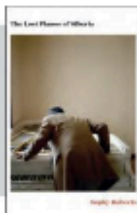


It's in the stars

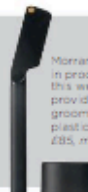
You don't need a crystal ball to predict big things for zodiac travel: since last summer, hoteliers have been consulting the occult for new ways to give guests a unique experience, and travellers have sought out itineraries designed to meet the individual needs of their star sign. Last October, Melissa Madara became the tarot-toting 'witch in residence' at New York's James Hotel, and W Hotels collaborated with new-age lifestyle platform The Numinous founder Ruby Warrington to design trips personalised according to zodiac signs. Astrologer Susan Miller did private astrology readings at Dalos Cove in Crete, and this year will take up residencies at The St Regis in Aspen and Raffles in the Maldives, as well as hosting a spiritual conference on board an Alaskan cruise with Divine Travels. Back into the 'Spiritual Journey' package at Amankora in Bhutan and receive an astrology reading, or head to Miami, where The Standard's in-house astrologer and acupuncturist Lori Bell offers horoscopes and healing. jameshotel.com; w-hotels.marriott.com; daloscocrete.com; marriott.co.uk; raffles.com; aman.com; standardhotels.com



WHAT TO PACK



The Last Planes of Siberia by Sophie Roberts sensitively unravels the history of the region through its music and its makers. £16.99. waterstones.com



Morrama specialises in product design and this wet-shave razor provides clean, controlled grooming with zero plastic waste. £85. morraram.com



Tom Ford's latest fragrance drop, *Beau de Jour*, blends lavender and leather-like oakmoss with rosemary and basil for a fresh but sexy scent. £115. tomford.com