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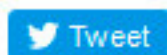
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 Tweet It's that time of year where we try to predict the destinations that will hit the heights in the next 12 months. So, after consulting my crystal ball and deciphering those all-enlightening tea leaves (and some scientific stuff too, promise), here are my tips for the Six Best Luxury Travel Destinations in 2016.

Tanzania

This East African classic sees two particularly exciting new openings in 2016. The first is Nomad Ngorongoro (opening June) in the Ngorongoro Crater. This eco-camp site is superb, with exceptional views, and easy access to prime game areas within the crater but also an emphasis on walking safaris and cultural visits. The second opening is Asilia's Highlands Ngorongoro on the slopes of the (extinct!) Olmoti volcano, meaning guests can access the crater for a day's safari but then stay in beautiful bomas far from other camps. Non accommodation excitements include an annular eclipse (where the rim of the sun can be seen around the moon) on the 1st of September, with Katavi National Park and Mahale Mountains National Park (home to habituated chimpanzees) are two of the best places in Africa to see it.



Peru

Paddington Bear will be visiting his Aunt Lucy in 2016 thanks to BA's new Gatwick to Lima flights, starting in May. While he's there he might want to check out Mountain Lodges of Peru's new cultural programme, launching in 2016, and based on their recently opened lodges in the town of Lamay and in the rural community of Huacahuasi, and then their third lodge in the village of Patacancha (opening Spring 2016), which will serve as deluxe 'basecamps' completing the trail up to Machu Picchu. Elsewhere in the Sacred Valley, Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba opened in late 2015, and the excellent Explora group are opening a hotel in the same location as Hacienda Huayoccari.

