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# HOT LIST 2016

It's been an amazing year for new hotels and for the hospitality sector in general. Our reporters and contributors have travelled far and wide to find you some absolute jewels—from Incan jungles in South America to an oasis in the urban maze of Milan, from the English countryside to the far reaches of Chengdu and even atop in Kerala. We promise you, this one's a keeper. Happy holiday planning!

## INDIA

Ahilya by the Sea **Goa**  
Shangri-La Hotel, Bengaluru  
InterContinental Chennai  
Mahabalipuram Resort  
The St. Regis Mumbai  
Hyatt Regency **Ahmedabad**  
JW Marriott Mumbai Sahar  
Pepper Trail **Kerala**

## ASIA

Phum Baitang **Cambodia**  
Katamama **Bali**  
Four Seasons Hotel Seoul **South Korea**  
The Reverie Saigon **Vietnam**  
Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar  
**Mongolia**  
The Temple House **China**  
Anantara Peace Haven  
Tangalle Resort **Sri Lanka**  
Keemala **Thailand**  
TRI, Koggala Lake **Sri Lanka**  
Mandapa, A Ritz-Carlton Reserve **Bali**  
Amanemu **Japan**  
Panacea Retreat **Thailand**

## AFRICA & THE MIDDLE EAST

andBeyond Benguerra Island,  
Bazaruto Archipelago **Mozambique**  
Angama Mara **Kenya**  
Elma Arts Complex Luxury Hotel  
**Israel**  
Makanyi Private Game Lodge  
**South Africa**  
Park Hyatt Zanzibar **Tanzania**  
Palazzo Versace **UAE**  
Four Seasons Hotel Dubai  
International Financial Centre **UAE**

## AUSTRALIA

COMO The Treasury Perth  
Halcyon House New South Wales  
The Old Clare Hotel Sydney

## EUROPE

Fendi Private Suites **Italy**  
The Fifteen Keys Hotel **Italy**  
Hotel Gotham **UK**  
La Bastide de Gordes **France**  
The Laslett **UK**  
Mandarin Oriental **Italy**  
Palazzo Dama **Italy**  
Pousada de Lisboa **Portugal**  
The Lanesborough **UK**  
Les Bains **France**  
Le Pigalle **France**  
Schloss Elmau Retreat, **Germany**  
Six Senses Douro Valley **Portugal**  
Soho House Istanbul **Turkey**  
Soho Farmhouse **UK**  
Villa René Lalique **France**  
The St. Regis Istanbul **Turkey**  
Villa Stéphanie **Germany**  
Yndo Hotel **France**  
JW Marriott Venice Resort & Spa  
**Italy**  
The Zetter Townhouse  
Marylebone **UK**  
W Amsterdam **Netherlands**

## THE AMERICAS

Quirk Hotel **USA**  
Ace Hotel Pittsburgh **USA**  
Baccarat Hotel & Residences **USA**  
The Chequit **USA**  
Faena Hotel Miami Beach **USA**  
Hotel Emma **USA**  
1 Hotel South Beach **USA**  
The Inn at Newport Ranch **USA**  
The Ivy Hotel **USA**  
L'Horizon Resort & Spa **USA**  
Chicago Athletic Association **USA**  
South Congress Hotel **USA**  
Four Seasons Hotel Casa Medina  
**Colombia**  
Hacienda AltaGracia **Costa Rica**  
Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba **Peru**  
Barbuda Belle **Antigua & Barbuda,**  
**Caribbean**  
Casa Fayette **Mexico**  
Marriot Port-au-Prince Hotel, **Haiti**  
Playa Grande Beach Club  
**Dominican Republic**



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A swing on the porch at the Playa Grande Beach Club in the Dominican Republic

## THE AMERICAS

### South Congress Hotel **US**

Breakfast in bed, afternoons spent lazing by the pool, evenings at the sushi bar followed by nights at the rooftop bar—at this lovely property in Austin, Texas, you determine the pace and you make all the rules. Everything about the South Congress suggests a philosophy to stop taking life so seriously and just relax. ([www.southcongresshotel.com](http://www.southcongresshotel.com))

### Four Seasons Hotel Casa Medina Bogota **Colombia**

If you needed further evidence that the Colombian capital is ditching its rather shady reputation, this is it. A historic monument has been transformed into a sexy, intimate hotel. Plus, it's located in a buzzy neighbourhood that takes its name, Zona G (for Gastronomy), very seriously. We're very happy. ([www.fourseasons.com](http://www.fourseasons.com))

### Hacienda AltaGracia **Costa Rica**

Sitting pretty on 860 verdant acres in Pérez Zeledón, the hotel spells luxury and adventure. It's on the edge of a rainforest reserve, and houses a stable of thoroughbreds that guests can canter around the estate on, and a fleet of ultralights they can pilot. Go on, book. You know you want to. (<https://altagracia.aubergeresorts.com>)

### Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba **Peru**

Squashy, comfortably overstuffed leather sofas, hand-woven throws, blazing fireplaces and mood lighting—this property in Sacred Valley is the perfect spot for you to acclimatise before you hike up to Machu Picchu. Crops such as quinoa and corn, grown in the on-site garden, are used to create delicious organic meals. ([www.inkaterra.com](http://www.inkaterra.com))

### Barbuda Belle Antigua & Barbuda, **Caribbean**

The property is built on an island whose total population is just over 1,600. The architecture seems to invite the unspoiled beach in for company. The island is a birdwatcher's paradise, with a number of lovely avian creatures, such as the stunning Great Frigate bird. It is also known for its abundance of very cool caves, including one that has a rainforest inside it. ([www.barbudabelle.com](http://www.barbudabelle.com))

### Casa Fayette, Guadalajara **Mexico**

With just 37 rooms, this sweet, Mexican hideout may be small, but it manages to pack in plenty. Sharp interiors by a Milanese design firm, a small rooftop pool and bar, a restaurant whose focus is on local ingredients and a superb spa. A great spot to relax in a buzzing city! ([www.casafayette.com](http://www.casafayette.com))

### Marriott Port-au-Prince Hotel **Haiti**

In a country ridden with strife, here's a much-needed spot of sunshine. A short distance from the international airport, the comfortable stay offers high-speed Internet, Haiti-inspired dishes with an international flair at the in-house La Serène and a super-luxurious bed. What more do you really need? ([www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com))

### Playa Grande Beach Club **Dominican Republic**

A palette of soothing pastel hues dominates the interiors of this resort, where it seems like all frills have been pushed aside so they don't come between you and the beach. But the frills do exist if you just know where to look—in the fresh flowers, the fruit baskets, the well-furnished, pretty bungalows that make sure you never want to leave. ([www.playagrandebeachclub.com](http://www.playagrandebeachclub.com))

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