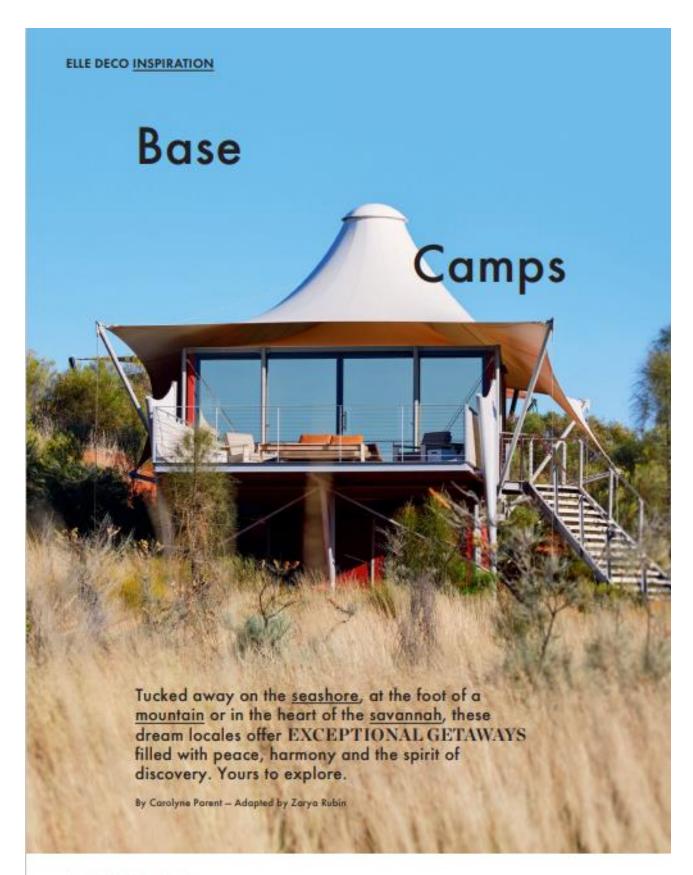
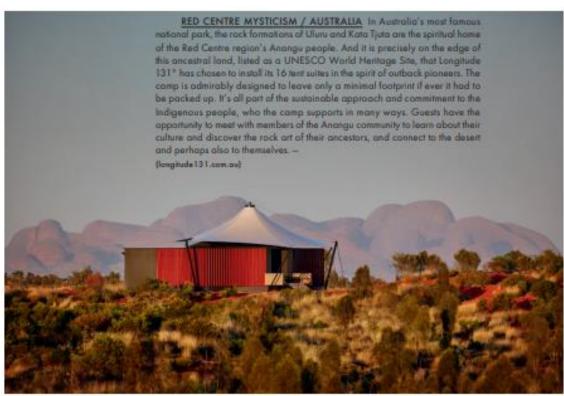


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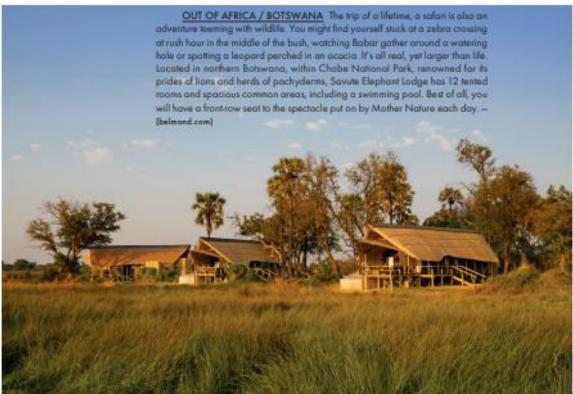






PACIFIC PLAYLIST / MEXICO Con you hear the ocean crashing at the neverending water's edge in Puerto Escondido? In this mecca of Mexican surfing the waves roar, and the Hotel Escandido is a charming base where you can soak up their aquatic symphony. Faithful to the boho spirit of this Oaxacan outpost, the small establishment brings tagether 16 pseudo-palapas-chic villas for barefoot guests. All have a veranda giving onto a private swimming pool, the better to relax and gaze out at the horizon. Mexican architect Federico Rivera Rio also included another pool-this one's for everyone-that borders on a stretch of beach and creates the illusion of swimming in the ocean waves. A capital idea given their majestic fury! -(hotelescondida.com)









## IN THE SHADOW OF FUJIYAMA /

JAPAN In the Land of the Rising Sun, nature worship is the norm, but paradoxically, the joys of camping are not part of Japanese culture. Hoshinoya Fuji is the first hotel in the archipelago offering a comfortable lodging option that comes close, Architect Rie Azuma designed 40 luxe wooden pillbaxes that are like telescopes pointed at the main attractions: Mount Fuji, a place of secular pilgrimage listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and nearby Lake Kawaguchi. Landscape designer Hiroki Hasegawa imagined several outdoor spaces, including the Terrace of the Clouds-a series of wooden platforms that seem to float in the forest where you can contemplate the blaze of momiji (Japanese maples) in the fall. The pinnacle of Hoshinaya sophistication? "Glamping masters," who will light your campfire and teach you the art of smoking meat and fish! -(hoshinoya.com)



JUNGLE FEVER / COSTA RICA Head for the dense forests of Costa Rica and Arenal Volcano National Park, where the Nayara Tented Camp has just unveiled new glamping units. Terraced on the hillside and open to the four winds, 38 tents, each equipped with all the amenities-including a patio with a view and a hot-spring pool-make up this camp dedicated to the contemplation of flora and fauna. And you can't miss in this land of sloths, toucans and armadillas! The secondbest hotel in the world, according to Travel + Leisure's 2021 ranking, is also connected by footbridges to its sister properties, Nayara Springs and Nayara Gardens, both members of Relais & Châteaux. Banus: access to their outstanding restaurants -(nayaratentendcamp.com)

