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Are these the most exciting new hotel openings for 2026?

From Venice to Kyoto and, London to Costa Rica, it's going to be an exciting year. These are the hotels our editors have hand-picked as ones to watch in 2026

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With the new year comes new opportunities, and 2026 is shaping up to be an unforgettable moment for hotels. From new small brands entering the chat, to luxury stalwarts expanding into bold new territories. Where's the action, you ask? Worldwide. In **London** alone, townhouse transformations and big name



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Explora El Calafate, Patagonia, Argentina

Opening December 2026, just in time for peak Patagonia season, the new [Explora El Calafate](#) will reaffirm its brand's position as the most robust network of luxury lodges in this corner of the world. It's ideally situated between Torres del Paine and El Chaltén, connecting Explora's existing lodges across Chile and Argentina for a seamless Patagonian journey. Located near Lake Argentino with sweeping views of the Perito Moreno Glacier and the vast Southern Patagonian Ice Field, this 20-room lodge designed by Chilean architect José Cruz Ovalle leans into Explora's signature vibe: natural materials, breathtaking views, a great spa, and the sense of calm that feels all the more satisfying after a day filled with excursions, or as Explora calls them, "explorations." (And with over thirty explorations, there's going to be plenty to see and do here.)

Address: Ruta Provincial N 41, Km 16, Los Huemules, El Chaltén, Santa Cruz Province 9301, Argentina

Inkaterra Cabo Blanco, Piura, Peru

Once a legendary fishing village famed for its enormous marlins, picturesque surf, and visits from Ernest Hemingway himself, Peru's northern "Cabo Blanco" coastline is attracting in-the-know travellers – and now it's stepping into the spotlight as the site of homegrown eco-tourism brand **Inkaterra**'s next destination, its first on Peru's coast. The property features just 20 beachfront suites and bungalows, each with private plunge pools and terraces, and set along over a mile of private beachfront. True to Inkaterra's 50-year conservation legacy, the resort supports marine research and dry forest preservation through its Inkaterra Asociación. To that end, guests can expect exciting, thought-provoking marine biology outings, surf conservation programs, and immersive storytelling around this destination's rich fishing and surfing legacy.

Address: El Alto 20830, Peru

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