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Hayman Island by InterContinental

Reservations are now open to the new Hayman Island by InterContinental, set to welcome its first guests from 1 July. The 166-room resort on a 400-hectare private island in the Whitsundays has undergone a complete refurbishment. The new hotel managed by the InterContinental Hotels Group will feature five dining spaces, a 13-treatment-room spa, fitness centre, kids' club and meetings and event spaces. Guests will be able to explore secluded beach coves via jet ski or take a seaplane over the Great Barrier Reef. Accommodation is set over three different wings – from suites and beachfront villas to lagoon and poolside rooms. A newly built Beach House will offer guests a private oasis with three suites and multiple private pools. Hayman Island by InterContinental can be accessed via boat, helicopter or seaplane. Rates start from \$750 per room, per night.

ihg.com



Quinta da Comporta » Portugal

In the heart of Portugal's Comporta village is the new sustainable wellness retreat, Quinta da Comporta, which opened in March. A member of Small Luxury Hotels, the property features 61 deluxe rooms, four pool villas and three double rooms. On a 17-hectare estate on more than 60 kilometres of white-sand beaches, the retreat has whitewashed walls and a neutral colour palette. Organic, locally sourced and harvested produce from the hotel's Bio Garden is served at the restaurant. Guests can enjoy a heated infinity pool and treatments at Oryza Spa. Rates start from A\$254 per night including breakfast.

slh.com



The St. Regis Rome

One of Italy's most iconic hotels, The St. Regis Rome first opened in 1894 by legendary hotelier César Ritz. It's now undergone a 40-million Euro restoration. Located near Piazza della Repubblica and the Quirinale Palace, The St. Regis Rome has long been regarded as one of Europe's finest hotels. Now, extensive new works have honoured the hotel's 125-year history

while introducing contemporary elements for the 21st century. The restoration covers the lobby, lounge bar, library, Ritz ballroom, as well as the hotel's 138 guest rooms and 23 suites. Italian materials were used throughout, with aristocratic Roman patterns, sculptural busts, mosaics and objets d'art on display. Highlights

include a five-metre-long hand-blown glass chandelier; and a meticulous restoration of the first public ballroom in Rome. The project was completed by renowned interior design firm Pierre-Yves Rochon Inc. of Paris and Chicago. Rates start from 543EUR (about A\$859) per room, per night. stregisrome.com

LUX* North Male Atoll » Maldives

Newly opened in the Maldives, this resort by LUX* Resorts & Hotels features 67 over-sized double-storey, penthouse residences each with a private pool. Located on Olhahali, a six-hectare island, each residence sits on the beach or over the waters of the Indian Ocean with living areas that are at least 350 square metres. Guests can also socialise with fellow patrons in a number of dining and entertainment spaces. A selection of restorative wellness treatments is hosted in rooms above the ocean, or in the privacy of your villa. The resort features a PADI dive centre and a resident marine biologist. LUX North Male Atoll is a short transfer from Male by luxury speedboat or seaplane. Rates start from 911 Euro (about A\$1442) per room, per night. luxresorts.com



The Apurva Kempinski Bali

Bali's Nusa Dua area recently saw the opening of the 475-room property, The Apurva Kempinski Bali. Rooms, suites and villas are located on a quiet beachfront location. The resort features six restaurants, bars and lounges, including Koral, Bali's first aquarium restaurant; an ocean-facing Apurva Spa and fitness centre; a 60-metre-long swimming pool and a kids' pool; and a family club. The resort is a 15-minute drive from the Ngurah Rai International Airport, and close to shopping and entertainment options. Rates start from \$283 per room, per night. kempinski.com



InterContinental Shanghai Wonderland

Built into the side wall of a formerly abandoned quarry in southwestern Shanghai, InterContinental Shanghai Wonderland is the hotel group's 200th hotel worldwide. It stretches 88 metres underground, and is considered an architectural feat. Located in the Sheshan mountain range, the 336-room hotel is mostly subterranean,

with two floors above ground and 16 below ground. This includes two floors underwater with bedrooms encased within a turquoise aquarium. All hotel rooms on the bottom floor are provided with 24-hour butler service. Rates start from 3767CNY (about A\$782) per room, per night. ihg.com



Treeline Urban Resort » Cambodia

Just minutes from the temple of Angkor Wat is Siem Reap's newest hotel, Treeline Urban Resort. The 48-room hotel features an organic aesthetic with interiors making use of sustainably sourced native timber. The hotel features installations and exhibitions by Cambodian artists. Guests can relax at the rooftop infinity pool; or sample one of Suri Spa's holistic treatments using botanical ingredients indigenous to Cambodia. There is no single-use plastics in the hotel and solar energy is used to heat water. Rates start from US\$215 (about A\$300) per room, per night. treelinehotels.com



Jonah's » Whale Beach, Sydney

Sydney's northern beaches boutique hotel and restaurant Jonah's, at Whale Beach, has recently undergone a refurbishment of its 11 rooms. The property, which celebrated 90 years in operation in January, has 10 ocean retreats and one Peninsula Room – all with views of the Pacific Ocean. The refreshed rooms are inspired by the property's coastal surroundings, featuring hand-crafted furniture and finishes. Guests can book a Stay and Play package which includes a two-hour yacht cruise on Pittwater and dinner at Jonah's' hatted restaurant. Room rates start from \$398 per person twin share jonahs.com.au



**Mount Lofty House »
Adelaide Hills**



South Australia's Mount Lofty House, located in the Adelaide Hills wine region, has undergone a \$6-million refurbishment. The five-star hotel was first built in 1852 by Arthur Hardy, one of the founding families of the area, as a summer retreat. A 12-month restoration has seen a refurbishment of all 32 guest rooms. In September, the property will also launch a \$15-million development, the 14-suite luxury lodge, Sequoia at Mount Lofty House. Public spaces, including the lobby, three-hat restaurant Hardy's Verandah, the Arthur Waterhouse Lounge, the Stables Day Spa and conference facilities, have also been revamped. The South Australian wine regions, Adelaide Hills, Barossa Valley and McLaren Vale, are all within 50km of the property. Rates start from \$349 per room, per night. mtloftyhouse.com.au



**&Beyond Phinda
Homestead » South Africa**

South Africa's newly refurbished &Beyond Phinda Homestead is located in the KwaZulu-Natal Province. Options for families or groups include the four-bedroom lodge, booked as a single unit – with its own fitness room, private chef, dedicated ranger and tracker team and a private safari vehicle. The design of the lodge pays homage to the local Zulu culture, with natural materials used extensively throughout. Guests can enjoy a personalised and privately catered meal while enjoying the sights and sounds of the South African wilderness. Rates start from ZAR95,000 (about A\$9534) per night. andbeyond.com



**The Fantauzzo »
Brisbane**

The first new Art Series Hotel property under the AccorHotels banner is named after the renowned Australian painter, Vincent Fantauzzo. The \$100-million, six-storey property is located in Brisbane's new Howard Smith Wharves development. The hotel, which is carved into the cliff under Story Bridge, features 166 guest rooms, with contemporary furnishings, and original artworks as well as up to 500 reproductions of Fantauzzo's most recognised paintings. The hotel will also offer four food and beverage outlets, a rooftop pool with views of the Brisbane River and CBD, bar, gym and three conference rooms. Rates start from \$309 per room, per night. artserieshotels.com.au



Hotel Figueroa » LA

In downtown Los Angeles, the historic Hotel Figueroa has been restored to its original Spanish Mediterranean finery. The hotel was founded in 1926 as a women's business hotel – a boldly progressive concept nearly 100 years ago – and has retained its position as a gathering place for forward-thinkers. The 268 artfully refurbished rooms

and suites span 14 floors. "The Fig" is also home to the only ground-level hotel pool in downtown LA, as well as five dining and drinking outlets and an original art program that celebrates the work of emerging and established female artists. Rates start from US\$319 (about A\$445) per room, per night. hotelfigueroa.com

**Times Square EDITION »
New York**

Ian Schrager's EDITION hotels, in partnership with Marriott International, recently opened The Times Square EDITION at West 47th Street in New York City, with a goal to reinvent the golden age of this district. The hotel's streamlined design will serve as a calming contrast to the outside lights and sounds of Times Square. The hotel features the first Michelin-starred chef in the area, with John Fraser's 701 West restaurant; and a new form of cabaret theatre at The Paradise Club. Expansive terraces off the Terrace Restaurant were inspired by the L'Orangerie at Jardin des Tuileries in Paris. The hotel's outdoor space has thousands of plants, trees and ivy, offering multi-level gardens in the sky. Rates start from US\$269 (about A\$374) per room, per night. editionhotels.com/times-square/





Lloyd's Inn Bali

The group behind the minimalist boutique design hotel, Lloyd's Inn Singapore, has now opened Lloyd's Inn Bali at Double Six in Seminyak. Designed as an escape to the city and as a place to connect with nature, Lloyd's Inn Bali is 300 metres from the beach and close to shops and dining outlets. The hotel features a pool, The Garden Bar, The Garden Café, The Hideout area for yoga, reading or relaxing and The Canopy Spa. Prices start from IDR950,000 (about A\$95) per room, per night. lloydsinn.com/bali

Kāmana Lakehouse » Queenstown

The former Aspen Hotel in Queenstown, New Zealand, has been transformed after a multi-million-dollar renovation to be unveiled as the new Kāmana Lakehouse. The 73-room boutique hotel is located high above Wakatipu Lake on Fernhill, and is the highest-altitude property in Queenstown. Its Nest Kitchen & Bar features a circular art deco-style bar clad in bronze, accentuated by marble finishes and metal accents. The interiors are inspired by the natural habitat of the 'Kāmana' – an Australasian crested grebe duck that lives across New Zealand's southern lakes region, including Queenstown. Prices start from NZ\$264 (about A\$253) per room, per night. kamana.co.nz



Elysian » Whitsunday Islands

Owners of The Sojourn Retreats group have renovated a former eco-resort located on the southern tip of Long Island in the Whitsundays. Formerly Paradise Bay Eco Resort, it has been relaunched as Elysian, after the new owners restored the resort after extensive cyclone damage. Elysian is the barefoot luxury offering, equally focused on sustainability, catering to just 20 guests in 10 oceanfront villas with a private chef, custom organic spa treatments and water activities. Rates start from \$1400 twin share per night. elysianretreat.com.au



Discovery – Rottneest Island

The first new accommodation on WA's Rottneest Island in more than 30 years, Discovery – Rottneest Island, has launched. Located on Pinky Beach, the property features 83 furnished eco-tents, a resort pool and pool bar, and Pinky's Beach Club. All tents include an ensuite bathroom, pillow-topped bed and private deck. Many tents also include kitchenettes, while the Deluxe tents offer beachfront views and walk-in robes. Discovery – Rottneest Island is a joint venture between Baileys Group and Discovery Holiday Parks. Prices start from \$183 per tent, per night. discoveryholidayparks.com.au