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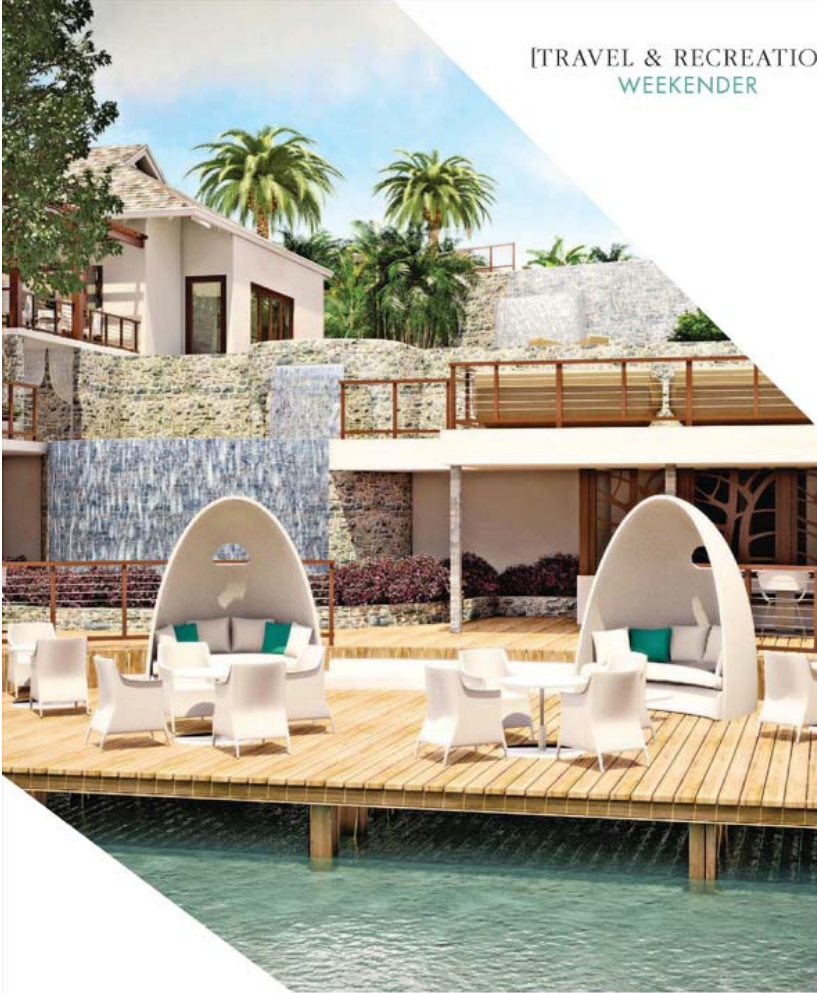
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ON FAST CARS,
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GIVING BACK AND
GREY'S 11TH SEASON



DESIGN DARLINGS
From top: The Capella Marigot Bay's chic poolside lounging deck creates a luxurious oasis for guests; the SLS Las Vegas' interiors are sleek and unique.



SCENE STEALERS

WHETHER IT'S A QUICK JAUNT TO SAVANNAH OR A MEMORABLE ESCAPE TO ST. LUCIA, THIS SEASON'S HOTTEST JUST-OPENED AND SOON-TO-OPEN HOTELS ARE TAKING THE SPOTLIGHT.

By Ayesha Khan

CAPELLA MARIGOT BAY RESORT AND MARINA

After an extensive renovation, this St. Lucia resort just reopened as an uberluxe Capella. Well-appointed guest accommodations include garden suites (each one has its own private garden) as well as spacious one- and two-bedroom villas, most with water views. A rum cave, where guests can sip rare vintages and create their own rum, adds to the one-of-a-kind cool factor, as does the Auriga Spa village, where treatment rooms are West Indian huts and lunch can be served in a treehouse. Chef Brendan McGowan's culinary creations are like none experienced before on the island—simply delicious! Set on Marigot Bay and adjacent to the marina, a yacht's paradise awaits. *Rates from \$450 (low season) and \$550 (high season), capellahotels.com/saintlucia*

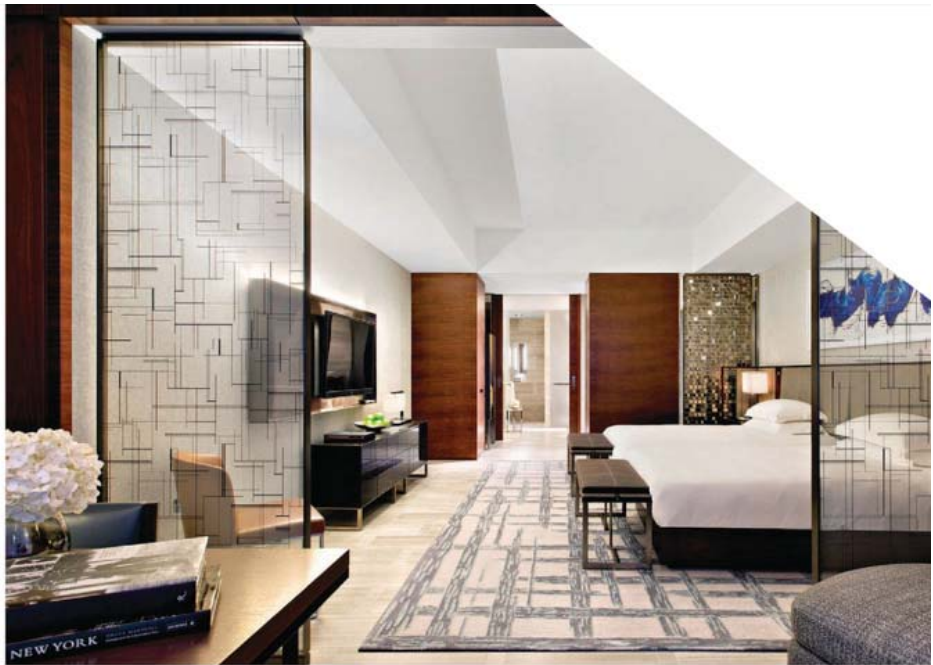
SLS LAS VEGAS

The hottest party in Vegas arrived at the 1,600-room SLS mega-resort this past August. Along with restos like the Philippe Starck-designed Katsuya and Bazaar Meat by José Andrés (celeb faves in neighboring L.A.), there are three extensive nightclubs, including The Sayers Club, LIFE and Foxtrail. There's also a full-fledged Ciel Spa and a 10,000-square-foot Fred Segal retail experience, where you can fetch that perfect party outfit! *Rates from \$173, slshotels.com/lasvegas*

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FOUR SEASONS RESORT ORLANDO AT WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORT

As is to be expected of a Four Seasons, this property (opening this month) offers the utmost in luxury, along with a spa, golf course, 5-acre water park (as if being next door to Disney World weren't enough) and five restaurants. The standard guest rooms offer the largest square footage in Orlando, and, with many of them boasting stunning views of the Magic Kingdom and its nightly fireworks display, this could very well be the happiest hotel on earth! *Rates from \$645, fourseasons.com/orlando*



LUXE LOCALES

From top: Park Hyatt New York is housed in the 90-story One57 tower; elegant lodging hits Disney in the shape of a Four Seasons resort; Miami gets a new Edition; NOLA's artists have a place to call home in Le Méridien.

PARK HYATT NEW YORK

Ever since its mid-August opening, New York's chicest new hotel, Park Hyatt, has been on everyone's lips, due equally to pride of place within a sweeping 90-story Christian de Portzamparc skyscraper, and stunning interiors curated by iconic design firm Yabu Pushelberg. Guest rooms flaunting floor-to-ceiling windows are among the largest in a city where space is the ultimate luxury, while dining options include The Living Room (a 70-seat bar) and The Back Room at One57, featuring American grill fare. What's more, this uberchic parcel of fabulous design sits just blocks from Central Park, Carnegie Hall and Columbus Circle, making the Park, the place. *Rates from \$795, newyork.park.hyatt.com*

THE MIAMI BEACH EDITION

Seventeen years ago, hotel and nightclub maverick Ian Schrager brought Miami the Delano, a game-changing boutique hotel that single-handedly rejuvenated the city's social scene. Now, Schrager is at it again with this multifarious resort that boasts rooms, suites, bungalows and poolside cabanas; an entertainment floor with a bowling alley, ice rink and nightclub; a restaurant by Jean-Georges Vongerichten; and the only beach-facing lobby bar in Miami. As if that weren't enough, there's even an outdoor beachside movie theater that may very well cause sensory overload. Popcorn and pina colodas, anyone? *Opening November, rates from \$429, edition-hotels.marriott.com/miami-beach*

LE MÉRIDIEN NEW ORLEANS

NOLA is about to get its very own dose of French luxury with this Canal Street outpost just blocks from the French Quarter. The famed brand's recent MO has been to engage guests with the local art scene. That means access to affiliated contemporary cultural centers in the city and a Hub lobby concept, where curated, contemporary artwork sets the mood and where you'll regularly find the city's artemati exchanging notes. *Opening winter 2014, rates from \$239, lemeridienneworleanshotel.com*



TRANSCONTINENTAL CHIC
From left: Baccarat Hotel and Residences in New York; Deerfield Beach's Royal Blues Hotel; and the trendy Delano Las Vegas all have a polished aesthetic that's taking over America's newest hotels.

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BACCARAT HOTEL & RESIDENCES

It's no secret that the French know a thing or two about luxury. A true giant among the behemoths of French style is Baccarat, a storied brand that celebrates its 250th anniversary this year. And what better way to celebrate than with a shiny new hotel? The Baccarat Hotel & Residences will open around Christmas in New York City and will feature 115 rooms, 60 residences and an intimate spa in collaboration with a still-unannounced French luxury skincare brand. Among the dining venues will be a ritzy NYC outpost from renowned chef Shea Gallante and restaurateur Charles Masson, and a stunning 60-foot bar. In typical French fashion, we're told that more details of this eagerly anticipated hotel will be available *à bientôt*. baccarathotels.com

SOHO HOUSE, CHICAGO

Opened in September and located in a former belting factory in Chi-town's oh-so-cool West Loop, this hotel's design combines industrial chic with a galleryworthy array of curated art. While you don't have to be a member to stay at this swank spot, don't be surprised to find Chicago's key creatives and intellectuals hanging here. There are only 40 elegantly appointed and spacious rooms, and two restos: Pizza East and Chicken Shop, which will be open to members and nonmembers alike. (The superexclusive Allis Bar, on the other hand, will not, just in case you were hoping to stay incognito like Al Capone.) *Rates from \$300, sohohousechicago.com*



ROYAL BLUES HOTEL

Located in the picturesque 1960s surf-esque town of Deerfield Beach, just 45 minutes from Miami, Royal Blues Hotel is the maiden hotel of Broadway and Hollywood producer Edward Walson (*Cinderella*, *Bullets Over Broadway*, *Blue Jasmine*), so expect a show! This ultraluxurious, oceanfront boutique hotel features 12 exclusive suites, the Chanson Restaurant for fine dining and a wine lounge. The pièce de résistance, however, is the expansive saltwater aquarium, granting restaurant diners and swimmers in the adjoining pool an up-close glimpse of an array of tropical fish. And given South Florida's reputation as an art capital, fine art from Walson's own private collection peppers both public and private areas, making it the perfect time to get the blues. *Rates from \$495, royalblueshotel.com*

DELANO LAS VEGAS

Delano Las Vegas, the hottest new hotel to hit the Las Vegas Strip, is decidedly stripped down, offering world-class travelers a most discerning stay in Sin City. Located at the posh Mandalay Bay, this all-suite hotel opts for pared-down chic over Las Vegas resplendence.

Borrowing sleek design elements from the Nevada desert, Delano delivers the goods—in this case, an unpretentious artisanal coffee and teahouse; Della's Kitchen, a down-home combo of classics, comfort food and seasonal specialties; and miX at Delano, an upscale Alain Ducasse eatery. And when the stress of revelry becomes too much, the two-floor, 14,000-square-foot Bathhouse Spa beckons. *Suites from \$129, delanolasvegas.com*

THE BRICE HOTEL

Georgia's only Kimpton Hotel opened its well-crafted doors onto Savannah's Washington Square in May. The interior design of the property captures the spirit of its historical context (the building itself was home to a livery stable and Savannah's first Coca-Cola bottling plant), and its ground floor even features a lush secret garden courtyard. Private bikes are complimentary, and pets are welcome as long as they can fit through the door. *Rates from \$239, bricehotel.com*

THE WESTIN JEKYLL ISLAND

This beachfront property is single-handedly reinvigorating Georgia's Jekyll Island and turning it into a worthy option for a quick weekend escape. There's an adorable beachfront village complete with new restaurants, shops and bars, all built over the footprint of old, outdated spaces. The resort's own restaurant, the Reserve, features an extensive wine list, steaks and local seafood. An open-air rooftop bar offers sweeping Atlantic views. *Opening December, rates from \$159, westinjekyllisland.com* **Q**