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## Peninsula Hot Springs expansion details revealed

Australia's Peninsula Hot Springs (PHS) is planning a major expansion focused on story-driven experiences, including an open-air amphitheatre with seven pools and seating for 700 people, *Spa Opportunities* can reveal.

New offerings will include: an educational building; sauna rooms; a deep therapy pool; a fire and ice bathing area; a 'Food Bowl' area with on-site agriculture and picnic areas where guests are invited to "eat yourself to good health"; and the amphitheatre which forms the centrepiece of the arts and culture area. Plans are also underway to add 126 bedrooms – a first for the hot springs.

"The purpose of our business is to create experiences where our visitors can relax in nature and connect with the deep well of their being," Peninsula Hot Springs founder Charles Davidson told *Spa Opportunities*. "Many of our experiences are



Founder Charles Davidson is creating open-air spaces for arts and culture

story-driven – we want them to be places where guests can be engaged in the experience."

The new arts and culture area will include seven pools with underwater speakers, allowing 70 people to float in the water and listen to talks and music while they look up at the sky. The amphitheatre has seated

terraces that provide space for up to 580 people to watch plays, talks and concerts, while another 120 can listen from the pools.

"We'll be providing entertainment and education from the Amphitheatre Bathing Bowl as well as the Food Bowl," said Davidson. "These are two unique, open-air spaces for arts, culture, health and wellbeing."

This will also help with capacity issues, said Davidson: "Demand has been rising – half the time we're at full capacity and we can't allow additional people into the facilities."

In December, the first stage of the Food Bowl area – a three-acre (1.2 hectare) terraced garden – will be completed. The garden will be used for growing vegetables, herbs, teas, mushrooms and medicinal plants, and the produce will be used in the cafes on site and sold in the retail outlets.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=7c4X9\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=7c4X9_S)*

## Hilton takes eforea spa to Kazakhstan

Hilton Hotels & Resorts has entered the booming Kazakhstan tourism market with the opening of a 253-bedroom hotel in the country's capital city.

The Hilton Astana will target both local and international travelers with a focus on wellness, with facilities including a large eforea-branded luxury spa. Covering an area of more than 1,900sq m (20,451sq ft), the eforea spa at Hilton Astana is one of the city's largest spas, featuring nine treatment rooms, a sauna area with a number of saunas and steamrooms, a Turkish bath and an indoor swimming pool.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=Y9Z3s\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=Y9Z3s_S)*

## Six Senses to open first resort in Israel

Six Senses Hotels Resorts Spas will open a resort in the Negev Desert in late 2018 – its first property in Israel.

Nestled into a dramatic cliff with panoramic views of the desert, the Six Senses Shahrut will be located in the small community of Shahrut, which translates as 'the moment just before dawn'. It will feature 58 suites and villas, including a three-bedroom retreat.

The architecture of the resort has been designed to integrate the desert topography while preserving its natural terrain. The villas will be built from, and inspired by, local rocks and pigments, and the landscape will utilise regional cacti and indigenous desert blooms. Exterior lighting will be designed to avoid light pollution at night in order to preserve



The resort will be located in the Shahrut community

the clarity of the starry sky. Many furnishing elements of the resort will be sourced from a partnership with local community artisans.

A Six Senses Spa will offer a layered approach to wellness and will include the Six Senses Integrated Wellness programme.

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## 'Trolls and elves' inspire glacier spa

Tales of trolls, elves, monsters and invisible men roaming Iceland's majestic volcanic landscape have inspired the design of a proposed spa and wellness retreat located next to a geothermal lagoon.

Architecture practice Johannes Torpe Studio have drawn on the mysterious topography of caves, craters and moss-covered lava fields found in the Snæfellsness peninsula to devise a spa that will be soaked in mythology, storytelling and nature.

The region is home to a 700,000-year-old glacier-capped stratovolcano, which famously starred in Jules Verne's 1864 science fiction classic *Journey to the Centre of the Earth* as the passageway into a subterranean world. It is also known from the Icelandic saga of Baroar Snæfellsas, a half-man-half-troll who left the chaotic world of men behind to live in solitude inside the glacier.

Now the volcano could provide the backdrop for The Red Mountain Resort, an 800sq m (8,600sq ft) spa retreat that will take guests on their own version of Baroar's journey

towards enlightenment, within the surrounds of a 150-bedroom hotel and spa complex.

At the heart of the resort will be an extensive spa, in which guests will voyage through emotional stages – contemplation, exposure, confrontation, clarity and enlightenment – much like Baroar did. Each stage will be articulated through different expressions of Icelandic nature, including wind tunnels, fire baths, rain curtains, ice pools and pitch black slides.

*Details:* [http://lei.sr?a=Q8E3q\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=Q8E3q_S)



Johannes Torpe Studio's design draws on local, Icelandic myths

## Minor introduces villa-based resort

Thailand-based operator Minor Hotels is to introduce a new, villa-based resort concept on the Thai island of Koh Samui next year.

To be managed under Minor's Avani Hotels and Resorts lifestyle brand, the new resort will house a total of 33 pool villas and 25 traditional rooms.

Due to open in September 2018, Avani Sunset Coast Samui Resort & Villas will feature a large AvaniSpa. While exact details are yet

to be unveiled, the spa will offer guests a personalised focus on treatment journeys.

"The spa will provide a tranquil approach to wellness, focused on guests' needs rather than offering standard treatments," a spokesperson for Avani said.

Therapists will conduct a consultation prior to recommending one of four treatment options: Boost, Balance, Calm and Purify. Rejuvenating Boost treatments are designed for those suffering from low energy and

jet lag. Balance treatments aim to ground the body, mind and mood, while Calm treatments are designed to release muscle tension, relieve anxiety and recharge the mind, and Purify treatments are for detox.

The AvaniSpa will also offer daily yoga classes and an AvaniFit-branded health club. The opening is part of Minor's plans to expand the Avani brand across emerging markets in the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

*Details:* [http://lei.sr?a=a5W3w\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=a5W3w_S)



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## Three-story spa for Aman New York

Aman has unveiled details of its New York property, set to open in 2020 in the heart of Manhattan. Aman New York will be housed in the 1921 Crown Building on Fifth Avenue and 57th Street overlooking Central Park, and will include a three-storey, 2,000sq m (21,528sq ft) spa.

The 26-storey Crown Building – designed by architects Warren and Wetmore, who also designed New York's

Grand Central Station – is an iconic Beaux-Arts building, and was formerly the first home of the Museum of Modern Art.

It will be transformed by architect Jean-Michel Gathy of Denniston, who has worked on several other Aman resorts, including Amanyara in the Turks and Caicos, Amanwana in Indonesia, Aman Sveti Stefan in Montenegro, and Aman Venice.

Aman New York will occupy the entire Crown Building – excluding the retail space on the first three floors. The hotel will house a total of 83 rooms and suites, as well as Aman's first urban residences.



The Aman Spa will be located on the 7th, 8th and 9th floors of the hotel

Gathy will celebrate the brand's philosophy of "creating sanctuaries beyond commonplace notions of luxury".

The Aman Spa will be located on the 7th, 8th and 9th floors, and will be open to guests, residents and Aman Club members. The centrepiece of the spa will be a dramatic 25m (82ft) indoor swimming pool surrounded by fire pits and alcoves of double daybeds. Two Spa Houses will include comprehensive private facilities including a double treatment room, sauna and steamrooms, hot and cold plunge pools and an outdoor terrace with cabana.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=3a4b4\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=3a4b4_S)*



The 128-villa resort, located on the Alifu Dhaalu Atoll, will feature a large spa

## Rezidor to enter Maldives with wellness resort in 2019

Hospitality giant Carlson Rezidor Hotel Group is set to enter the Maldives for the first time, after signing a management contract for a spa resort on the southern part of the Alifu Dhaalu Atoll.

Rezidor will operate the property on behalf of owner Chang Hua Holdings under the Radisson Blu brand.

The 128-villa Radisson Blu Resort Maldives will be designed as a family-friendly resort with a focus on wellness.

While exact details are yet to be confirmed, the resort will house a large spa and a yoga pavilion, as well as a sea sports and dive centre.

"We continue our growth trajectory in Asia Pacific," said Thomas Hagemann, Carlson's vice president of future openings. *Details: [http://lei.sr?a=N6M9H\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=N6M9H_S)*

## IHG to take wellness brand into China

Intercontinental Hotels Group (IHG) will take its wellness-focused Even Hotels brand into China for the first time, with the signing of four new management contracts.

The first four Even Hotels will be located in Shanghai, Sanya, Chongqing and Jinan, with the first one set to launch in 2019 (in Sanya).

The Even Hotel Sanya Yalong Bay, with 134 rooms and 92 villas, will be followed by the 250-bedroom Shanghai Even

in 2020, located within the Shanghai Tourism Zone, a major tourism project in the city.

The 290-room Even Jinan will then open in 2020 and the quartet will be completed with the launch of the 250-bedroom Even Hotel Chongqing Central Park in 2022.

IHG launched Even in 2012 to cater for an increased consumer demand for holistic wellness in travel – describing the brand as the "first and only hotel brand created with wellness at its core". The Even model is



Even offers innovative tech and design to help guests achieve wellness

focused on four pillars of wellness: nutrition, fitness, overall wellbeing and productivity.

The brand offers design and technology elements to help guests maintain wellness, including "Athletic Studios" equipped with the latest fitness innovations, in-room exercise zones and relaxation areas.

Since its launch in the US in 2012, IHG has introduced Even at a number of key locations, including three hotels in New York City.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=f4H6b\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=f4H6b_S)*

## Elemis and Macdonald Hotels sign partnership

Product house Elemis has signed a partnership deal with UK-based independent hotel operator Macdonald Hotels and Resorts, which will see the pair work together to "address important industry recruitment challenges".

The three-year deal will see all spa staff across the Macdonald brand – which consists of 21 spa hotels – undergoing training designed jointly by the two companies. In a statement, Macdonald described the partnership as a "first of its kind".

"The extensive training will go beyond skincare to deliver an enhanced guest experience, at the same time as being fully immersed in the core values of each brand," the statement reads.

"This will cover all sectors within the business from therapy training, retail and marketing through to operations."

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=r2X6f\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=r2X6f_S)*



The resort will feature a 450ft high tower shaped like back-to-back guitars

## Hard Rock resort's 'guitar tower' to feature spa

The flagship property in hospitality giant Hard Rock's international empire will be expanded at a cost of US\$1.5bn (£1.3bn, £1.1bn), with the addition of a 450ft (137m) high tower shaped like back-to-back guitars. The giant structure will be the centrepiece of the enlarged Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, US.

Among the additions to the tower's facilities will be a 41,000sq ft (3,809sq m) spa and around 60,000sq ft (5,574sq m) of new retail and restaurant space.

The entirety of the construction work is expected to be completed by mid-2019, in advance of Super Bowl LIV at the nearby Hard Rock Stadium in February 2020.

Details: [http://lei.sr?a=e9n4k\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=e9n4k_S)

## London's Admiralty Arch to house Waldorf Astoria

One of London's most famous monuments, the Admiralty Arch, is to be converted into a Waldorf Astoria hotel.

The iconic building was commissioned by King Edward VII in memory of Queen Victoria, and completed in 1910 by architect Sir Aston Webb – the creator of The Mall and the main facade at Buckingham Palace.

Sir Winston Churchill had an office in the Arch when he was First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, and James Bond creator Ian Fleming also spent time working there. The landmark later served as a centre for clandestine wartime intelligence efforts, a Royal Navy outpost, and latterly as a centre for the UK Government's Cabinet Office.

Set to open in 2022, the Admiralty Arch Waldorf Astoria will feature a spa and a rooftop bar, with a design team led by Michael Blair and David Mlinaric overseeing the refurbishment.

Details: [http://lei.sr?a=R3a8E\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=R3a8E_S)

# Omni to add Mokara at Barton Creek

US-based operator Omni Hotels and Resorts will invest US\$150m (£114m, €129m) in the redevelopment of the Barton Creek Resort & Spa in Austin, Texas.

Led by design-build firm The Beck Group, the work will transform the resort by adding a second hotel tower – increasing the room count from 309 to 493 rooms.

All guest facilities will also be upgraded – including the addition of a new spa.

The design of the new 13,000sq ft (1,200sq m) Mokara Spa, a signature brand created by Omni Hotels & Resorts, draws inspiration from nearby waterways, creeks and springs, and offers a rooftop garden and pool overlooking the surrounding landscape.

Natural materials will feature heavily in the interior design and new facilities will include treatment rooms, a wet area and a relaxation area. Other wellness amenities include a health club and a multi-tiered pool deck featuring three swimming pools and an infinity pool.

"We've always prided ourselves on offering guests true Texas hospitality and now that we are evolving the physical aspects,



The Barton Creek resort in Austin will feature a new 13,000sq ft (1,200sq m) Mokara Spa

we expect Omni Barton Creek to be one of the most sought-after resort destinations in the South," said David Jurcak, managing director of Omni Barton Creek Resort & Spa.

Omni acquired the Barton Creek resort from KSL Capital Partners in 2013 as part of a deal which saw four other resort properties change hands.

Details: [http://lei.sr?a=g8b7x\\_P](http://lei.sr?a=g8b7x_P)

# Marriott's Asian growth on track

Marriott International is on track to achieve 16 new resort openings in the Asia Pacific region by the end of this year.

The group, which is in the middle of an ambitious expansion push, said the openings are spread across seven brands and 10 countries.

A number of the new openings have a focus on wellness – such as the JW Marriott Phu Quoc Emerald Bay Resort & Spa in Vietnam; and Renaissance Pattaya Resort & Spa in Thailand. The new openings will bring the total number of Marriott-operated resorts in the region to 130.

According to a spokesperson, the new launches are a strategic move to capitalise on the surge of Chinese visitors to the region.

"The new properties will benefit from growing demand from Chinese travellers, who today are the world's number one source of outbound travellers," the group said in a statement.

According to figures from the China National Tourism Administration, Chinese travellers are predicted to take 700 million trips over the next five years.

As incomes rise, China's middle class is looking for higher quality products and travel



Ritz-Carlton Langkawi, one of the resorts to have opened this year

experiences – such as luxury resorts which offer wellness, spa and other leisure facilities.

Earlier this year, Marriott launched a joint venture with Alibaba to help create travel experiences catering specifically for Chinese visitors. "This is an exciting year for Marriott International in the Asia Pacific region as we deliver innovative, new ways to cater to today's and tomorrow's travellers," said Peggy Fang Roe, chief sales and marketing officer for Asia Pacific.

"Our new openings demonstrate our promise to be where our guests want to be and provide them with everything they need to relax, recharge or celebrate a special milestone."

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## Sothys opens flagship store in Macao, China

French beauty and spa product house Sothys is the latest supplier looking to benefit from the growing Asian luxury market, with the opening of a new flagship store at The Venetian Macao hotel in Macau, China.

Forming a part of Sothys' expansion into the Asian market, the store will have the dual purpose of a retail store and a small day spa. A single treatment room and fully trained staff will offer customers a range of Sothys facials and skin treatments.

The Asian luxury goods and day spa markets are currently in the middle of a growth period – with the Chinese market doing particularly well. This growth is being driven by China's expanding middle class, which is predicted to influence not just the Asian market but the growth of global luxury markets too.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=j5X2Z\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=j5X2Z_S)*

## Founder of Spabreaks shortlisted for female award

Abi Wright, the co-founder and managing director of Spabreaks.com, has been named as a finalist at the inaugural Everywoman in Travel Awards.

Wright, who founded the online spa booking service in 2008, is one of three women to have been shortlisted for the awards' entrepreneur category.

Within 10 years, Wright has taken Spabreaks.com from a two-person business to a company employing more than 100 people and managing 6,000 enquiries a week, and hitting a turnover of more than £20m (US\$26m, €23m) last year.

The 2017 everywoman in Travel Awards will select winners across six categories. The Entrepreneur award will be given to an owner/operator of a travel business who has been operating for three years or more, and whose "vision will inspire other women to start their own enterprise".

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=U4H9J\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=U4H9J_S)*

## Rosewood to open Chengdu spa hotel

Rosewood Hotels & Resorts has secured a management contract for a luxury hotel and spa in Chengdu, the capital of China's Sichuan province.

The 180-bedroom hotel is being built by property developer Saiho Group as part of a 300m (984ft) tall, mixed-use tower in an integrated complex in the city's central business district. Covering the tower's top floors, the hotel will target both business and leisure guests and will have a focus on wellness and dining.

Facilities include an urban day spa, a large health club and four restaurants and bars. The exact details of the spa are yet to be confirmed, but it is expected to be operated under the Sense, a Rosewood Spa brand.

Rosewood is the latest hotel group to announce a property in Chengdu, one of China's major IT bases and among the country's fastest-growing urban areas. Local officials have set an



Rosewood operates two properties in China, including a hotel in Beijing

ambitious target of transforming the city into a major trade gateway and commercial hub.

According to the local government's "Five-Year Plan", published in December 2015 and covering the period from 2016 to 2020, the city plans to become a "comprehensive affluent society" with high living standards, a core growth hub for western China, and an international regional centre by 2020.

*Details: [http://lei.sr?a=h4J6x\\_S](http://lei.sr?a=h4J6x_S)*

## One&Only revamps Saint Géran spa

The One&Only Le Saint Géran in Mauritius is preparing to reopen to guests following a multi-million dollar redevelopment and upgrading of its facilities.

Scheduled to open its doors on 1 December, the resort has undergone a "complete transformation", which included the resort being given an enhanced focus on wellbeing. Described as "setting new standards for ultra-luxury", the resort's wellness offering now includes

a new-look spa and an updated treatment menu.

The reimagined One&Only Spa now covers more than 1,000sq m (10,700sq ft) and overlooks the resort's lap pool and lagoon. New facilities include a secluded outdoor garden area, designed for open-air therapies, and a range of heat facilities, including a steamroom and sauna. The 13 newly-designed treatment rooms have been positioned to surround the pool, with some opening onto their own private gardens with outdoor showers.

The spa will also unveil a new Bridal Suite, designed as a "secret hideaway" for brides getting married at the resort. The suite has its own entrance and houses a



The reimagined One&Only Spa now covers more than 1,000sq m

mini hair and make-up studio, a changing room with a large mirror for fitting the dress, a manicure/pedicure station and a private garden with outdoor shower.

The One&Only Spa will continue its partnership with the ESPA brand, offering tailored holistic experiences, ranging from relaxing body journeys to signature wellness treatments. To complement the ESPA treatments, the resort has partnered three other brands – Biologique Recherche, Harmonia by Francisc Miralles and Bastien Gonzalez.

The variety of products will allow the spa to offer bespoke treatment menus.

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[www.livelovespa.com](http://www.livelovespa.com)**13-17 November****Cosmoprof Asia Hong Kong**

Hong Kong Convention &amp; Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong

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[www.cosmoprof-asia.com](http://www.cosmoprof-asia.com)**14-15 November 2017****Spa Life UK**

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[www.naturalproductsscandinavia.com](http://www.naturalproductsscandinavia.com)**17-19 November 2017****SpaCE (Spas of Central Europe) Show**

Radenci Spa &amp; Health Resort, Slovenia

The event brings together spas, wellness centres and providers of medical programmes from central Europe.

[www.spa-ce.si](http://www.spa-ce.si)**21-22 November 2017****Sleep: The Hotel Design Event**

The Business Design Centre, London

A European event dedicated to excellence in hotel architecture and design that attracts more than 4,700 people.

[www.thesleepevent.com](http://www.thesleepevent.com)**4-5 December 2017****Live Love Spa: Maui**

Maui, Hawaii, US

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**5-6 March 2018****Healing Summit**

Hotel de Rome, Berlin, Germany

The summit is a two-day global conference designed to share wisdom and experiences about what healing can do for the wellness industry and its customers.

From hospitality, the healing economy and businesses, to sustainable practices and personal development, the summit boasts a number of keynote speakers, with talks discussing, sharing and exploring all aspects of healing.

[www.healingsummit.org](http://www.healingsummit.org)**27-29 January 2018****International Salon and Spa Expo**

Long Beach, California, US

The largest professionals-only spa and beauty event on the West Coast of the US.

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[www.probeauty.org/isselb](http://www.probeauty.org/isselb)**6 March 2018****Women in Wellness Leadership Conference**

New York, US

Curated by *American Spa*, the event is for female leaders and women who aspire to leadership in the wellness industry.<http://lei.sr?a=J7f3m>**5-6 February 2018****Professional Beauty GCC**

The Meydan, Dubai, UAE

Professional Beauty is one of world's leading trade expos, showcasing products and services for beauty and wellness.

[www.professionalbeauty.ae](http://www.professionalbeauty.ae)**11-14 March 2018****Green Spa Network Congress**

Carmel Valley Ranch, California, US

Now in its 10th year, the congress covers sustainability in the spa industry.

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[www.greenspanetwork.org](http://www.greenspanetwork.org)**25-26 February 2018****World Spa & Wellness Convention London**

ExCeL London, UK

A leading networking event for CEOs and owners of spas, hotels and wellness centres.

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[www.professionalspawellness.com](http://www.professionalspawellness.com)**15-19 March 2018****Cosmoprof Worldwide Bologna**

Fair District, Bologna, Italy

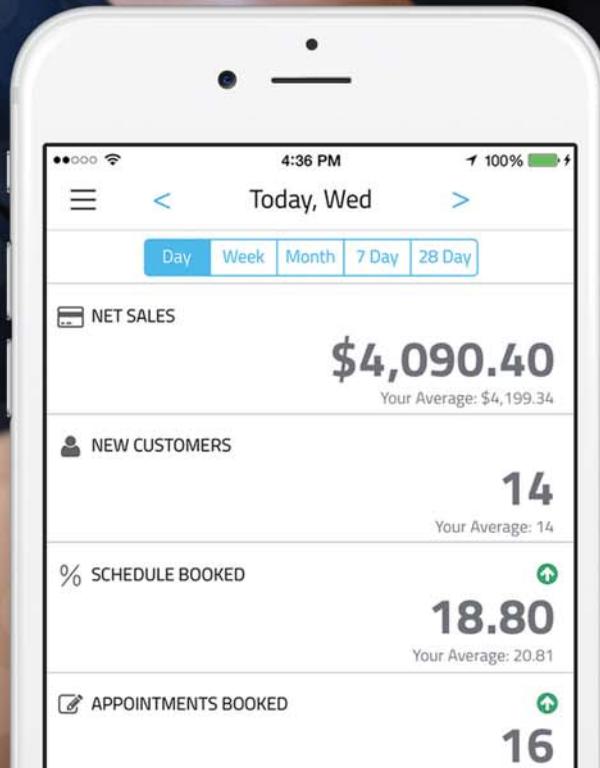
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## Spa resort plans for historic prison

Global investment group Nakash Holdings has revealed plans to transform a 13th century prison in Tel Aviv, Israel, into a five-star luxury hotel operated by its Setai hotel brand. The historic coastal site, known as the 'Kishle', was originally constructed by the Ottoman Empire as a prison, on a stretch of land that had been home to a fortress during the Crusades.

After recently buying the land, Nakash commissioned researchers and restoration experts in stone, iron and woodwork to examine the site. Archaeologists, working with the Israel Antiquities Authority, unearthed remains dating back to the Crusader Period through the Ottoman era.

Israeli practice Feigin Architects are leading the restoration of the original buildings, and integrating them into the new hotel. The original Kishle, including surviving wooden ceilings and ironwork, has been preserved.



The property will be located at the historic coastal site known as Kishle

A spa, called The Spa at The Setai, Tel Aviv, and a Turkish hammam will also feature. Guests can choose from a variety of massages and treatments in "a rejuvenating, tranquil space with world-class staff."

The hotel is scheduled to open in early 2018. It will be Naksh's second Setai in Israel, following the recent opening of the Sea of Galilee property in May 2017, and third globally, joining The Setai, Miami Beach.

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## St Kitts resort opens with Miraval spa

The first Park Hyatt in the Caribbean has opened, the Park Hyatt St Kitts, which also includes the first Miraval Life in Balance spa to open since Hyatt acquired Miraval earlier this year. Miraval Life in Balance Spa at Park Hyatt St Kitts Christophe Harbour is described as a "37,752sq ft state-of-the-art oasis," and features therapies that honour nature and the mind-body-spirit connection.

"Wellness and mindfulness are becoming increasingly important to our guests, and the opening of the Miraval Life in Balance Spa in St Kitts is yet another way we demonstrate care for our guests," said Marc Ellin, global head of Miraval Group. "This spa integrates the essence of Miraval – an industry leader in the destination spa wellness resort category – into a breathtaking West Indian setting for an unforgettable luxury experience."

The spa entrance and reception area provide a view of Mount Nevis and also overlook the Rampart Pool and The Narrows – the strait separating St Kitts from its sister island, Nevis.

The spa's design features natural stone walls with nine treatment rooms, including three couples' treatment rooms with plunge pools.



The President Villa has its own wellness area and private infinity pool

Guests can also take advantage of the 24-hour, 1,750sq ft (163sq m) fitness centre at The Sugar Mill, which is also home to yoga and meditation experiences.

The 126-bedroom resort is set within Christophe Harbour and spans the secluded beach of Banana Bay. Developed by Range Developments, the 78 rooms and 48 suites are designed by architects Arcadia Design, with interiors by GA Design International and incorporate local materials and intertwining contemporary architecture with colonial design. A three-bedroom Presidential Villa has its own wellness area, private infinity pool, personal butler and private chef.

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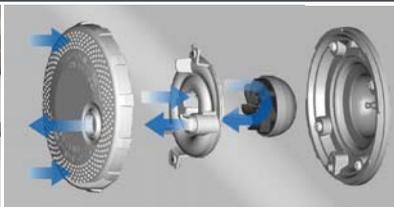
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## Six Senses plans first Israel resort

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The resort's Six Senses Integrated Wellness programme is based on the preventative principles of Eastern medicine and results-oriented Western influences.

The approach allows in-house experts to analyse key physiological biomarkers in order to provide guests with lifestyle and nutritional advice as well as a personalised programme of spa treatments, fitness and wellness activities.

Facilities will include a 262ft (18m) indoor swimming pool, 80ft (25m) outdoor lap pool, fully equipped gym, yoga studio with desert views, alchemy bar and a nail bar.

The resort will also be home to a desert activity centre that will incorporate Six Senses' 'Earth Lab' scheme and showcase its sustainability efforts. Guests will be invited to visit the Earth Lab to reconnect with the natural world and learn simple life-hacks



The spa will feature an infinity pool overlooking the Negev desert

that will allow them to make a difference. There will be functioning camel stables with an arena and grooming area, as well as an open-air amphitheatre created from the natural terrain contours and transformed into a Cinema Paradiso beneath the stars.

As part of its environmental approach, the resort will only feature electric cars.

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## Mandara expands Maldives portfolio

Spa management company Mandara has opened a new spa at an Amaya-operated resort on the island of Kuda Rah in the Maldives.

The Mandara Spa at Amaya Kuda Rah houses three treatment rooms and a wet area with steamroom, spa pools and showers, as well as retail boutique and a manicure-pedicure area.

The spa's treatment menu combines Asian-inspired treatments with a selection of Elemis spa therapies and a range of Mandara Spa's signature treatments.

The addition of the Kuda Rah spa takes the total number of spas operated by Mandara in the Maldives to 12.

"We're excited to expand our operations in the Maldives with our new collaboration with Amaya Resorts & Spas," said Trent Munday, Mandara Spa's senior vice president. "We look forward to serving guests with Mandara's signature treatments and Balinese hospitality."

Located on the South Ari Atoll, Amaya Kuda Rah Maldives offers luxury accommodation in 51 villas.



The spa resort is the 12th operated by Mandara in the Maldives

Mandara Spa was launched in 1995 and in 2001 became part of global wellness giant Steiner Leisure. It currently has operations worldwide, including the Bahamas, Bali, the Caribbean, China, Dubai and Africa.

Steiner has been active in the Asian market recently and earlier this year opened a new spa under the Mandara Spa brand at the Maison Aurelia resort in Bali, Indonesia.

The spa houses three treatment rooms – one single room and two double rooms – and a manicure-pedicure area.

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