

THE MONOCLE 100

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and plenty of culinary cues*



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Fasano Las Piedras Punta del Este NEW AND IMPROVED

After more than a year of rebuilding, Fasano Las Piedras in Uruguay's La Barra has finally reopened, along with the launch of new property Locanda Fasano. The latter comes from the JHSF group (the team who also worked on the Fasano hotel in Rio) and Brazilian hotelier extraordinaire – not to mention restaurateur – Rogério Fasano. It has been erected at the highest point of the property and is just 10km from the Punta del Este seaside resort.

The updated hotel has an exquisite three-storey wooden structure, the interior of which comprises 10 apartments, a solarium, a lounge and private pools. Walking distance from the 32 Isay Weinfeld-designed bungalows, the extension was completed by architect Carolina Proto from the Obra Prima office. The decor features hard materials such as wood and metal, which are subtly softened with the addition of furniture that has been sourced from design studios and antique shops around the world. fasanolaspiedras.com

While in Uruguay:
Discover why Montevideo is also a tango capital.

91.

Palace Hotel Tokyo Tokyo INTO THE MIX

There are few finer sights for those stopping in Tokyo than the pines of the Imperial Palace – and the rooms at the Palace Hotel offer residents a grandstand view. The 1961 building was demolished and the new palace opened in 2012 with 290 rooms, a spa and a moatside terrace, all of which are overseen by general manager Masaru Watanabe.

A couple of classic venues from the old hotel are still in place: the Royal Bar and French restaurant Crown are a great way to see Tokyo's mix of old and new. palacehoteltokyo.com



92.

Hôtel Grand Amour Paris MUST BE LOVE

Paris's hip hospitality triumvirate – hotelier Thierry Costes, restaurateur Emmanuel Delavenne and club-owner and graffiti artist Andre Saraiva – opened this personality-packed hotel in the 10th arrondissement in 2015. The aim was to combine the charm of a B&B with the luxury of some of the capital's grand old hotels. "It redefines what the industry is about: it's more generous and more fun," says Delavenne.

Saraiva oversaw the interior: risqué, anatomically inspired carpets, artwork by the likes of Helmut Newton on the walls, Maison Kitsuné-designed uniforms and bathrooms stocked with Hermès toiletries. hotelamourparis.fr



93.

Nakar Palma de Mallorca DOING IT RIGHT

As Palma's popularity as a year-round destination peaks, the hotel sector is catering for a more discerning crowd. Located

on the main shopping strip, the Nakar hotel embraces understated luxury. The values of hotelier Toni Ramis's family business affect an abiding philosophy that prizes comfort – and this is an unparalleled spot from which to explore the fun capital. nakarhotel.com