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## New Year, New Hotels: 60 Exciting Hotel Openings Around The World This Winter



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The Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach Resort & Club opens in January.  
WALDORF ASTORIA MONARCH BEACH RESORT & CLUB

The hospitality industry has been through its [ups and downs this year](#), but that's not stopping dozens of new hotels and resorts that are preparing to open this winter.

Despite uneven demand and the added expense of Covid-19 preparedness protocols, hoteliers are stepping up to the challenge. Domestic openings are plentiful, but international properties are sprouting up just as quickly as travel bubbles (and corridors between countries) become the talk of potential recovery. Island and resort destinations, in particular, are seeing growth, especially in parts of Asia, [Mexico, the Caribbean](#), and parts of the U.S.

Opening their doors in preparation for a brighter 2021 ahead, these are some of the newest December, January, and February hotel and resort openings around the world.



The contemporary interiors of the The Industrialist Hotel, Pittsburgh, Autograph Collection, opening ... [+]  
AZEEZ BAKARE STUDIOS

## Eastern Time Zone

[The Industrialist Hotel, Pittsburgh, Autograph Collection](#), opens in February and combines the city's gritty industrial heritage with the cultural hub it is fast becoming. Its 124 rooms within the 1902-era Arrott building are well-positioned to explore Market Square and the downtown area. New England will get a new hotel when [The Beatrice](#) opens this month in Providence, Rhode Island with 47 rooms and a rooftop bar.



A new guest room at The Valley Hotel in Homewood, Alabama.  
THE VALLEY HOTEL

Homewood, Alabama will get a new Curio Collection by Hilton property when the 129-room [The Valley Hotel](#) opens in January. In Columbus, Georgia, [Hotel Indigo at Riverfront Place](#) will open in February with 107 rooms and a more upscale design than typically found with the boutique Indigo brand. Sure to be popular, its rooftop bar overlooks the Chattahoochee River.

[Hyatt Place Tampa Downtown](#) and [Hyatt House Tampa Downtown](#) will open a dual-brand location in Tampa by early February. The hotels will share a swimming pool on the fifth floor deck and a fitness center equipped with Peloton bikes.



A short drive from both Miami and Fort Lauderdale airports, Hilton Aventura Miami is well-positioned ... [+]  
HILTON AVENTURA MIAMI

In January, [Hilton Aventura Miami](#) will open with 208 rooms putting guests within close distance to great shopping, golfing, and beaches. It is a short drive from both Miami and Fort Lauderdale airports. The property will feature several dining outlets, including one with a South American-inspired menu, as well as a yoga studio.

There's a lot to be "happy" about in Miami Beach Beach. Pharrell Williams' new 266-room [Goodtime Hotel](#) (his first) will open in South Beach in January. [Cambria Hotel Fort Lauderdale Beach](#) will open in February with a rooftop bar and oceanview pool.



The new BottleWorks Hotel in Indianapolis is located in a historic building that was once the ... [+]

Once the world's largest Coca-Cola bottling plant, this historic building is about to get a new lease on life as the [Bottleworks Hotel](#) in Indianapolis. On the top two floors, the 139-room hotel, which officially opens in January, features art deco design. It is part of a mixed-use development and neighborhood for the city that will also contain the Garage Food Hall with 20 local culinary vendors and retailers.



The new Omni Oklahoma City Hotel will be part of a much larger conventions venue when it opens in ... [+]

OMNI OKLAHOMA CITY HOTEL

## Central and Mountain Time Zones

The January opening of the [Omni Oklahoma City Hotel](#) is sure to make waves when it opens with 634 rooms and suites. As part of the new Oklahoma City Convention Center and Chesapeake Energy Arena, it is sure to drive business, especially for fans of [Omni Select Guest](#), to the midwestern city.

In Fort Worth, Texas, the 200-room [Hotel Drover](#) will open in January at the Stockyards as a member of Marriott's Autograph Collection.

[Thompson San Antonio](#) will open in January with an outdoor pool deck featuring private cabanas and a great view of the city's skyline.



A traditional guest room at Kinship Landing in Colorado Springs.

KINSHIP LANDING

Downtown Colorado Springs will welcome the new [Kinship Landing](#) later this month. Most unique about this hotel is that it features shared hostel-style, bunk rooms in addition to more traditional designer guest rooms and suites. Local restaurateurs will manage the food and beverage adding to the unique atmosphere of this new property opening.

[Rand Tower, Minneapolis, A Tribute Portfolio Hotel](#), opens this month as the 50th property for the Tribute Portfolio brand. The Art Deco hotel features a speakeasy-style lobby bar and a French restaurant, but with subtle flavors of Minnesota.





The pool at the Margaritaville Resort Palm Springs  
MARGARITAVILLE RESORT PALM SPRINGS

## Pacific and Hawaii time zones

[Margaritaville Resort Palm Springs](#) will officially open in December as the brand's first on the west coast. It will feature 398 rooms and Palm Springs' largest resort spa.

In Desert Hot Springs, [Azure Palm Hot Springs Resort & Day Spa Oasis](#) will open in January with 40 rooms and suites surrounded by the San Jacinto Mountains. Its healing mineral spas are sure to be a big draw to this desert escape.



The opening of Pendry West Hollywood is slated for January 2021.  
PENDRY WEST HOLLYWOOD

[Pendry West Hollywood](#), the third Pendry and the brand's flagship property, will open in January and feature food and beverage designed by Wolfgang Puck. Also in greater Los Angeles, [Hilton Santa Monica's](#) newly opened 286 rooms are mostly suites just a short walk from the city's famous pier and waterfront.

In Los Angeles, the [Fairmont Century Plaza](#) is ready to reveal a new design this month as it reopens following significant updates; it is new to the Accor family. With 400 rooms and 63 private residences, this hotel is part of a \$2.5 billion mixed-use development in the Century City area.



Cambria Hotel Napa Valley will open in late February.  
CHOICE HOTELS

[Cambria Hotel Napa Valley](#) will open near the end of February in California's famous wine country with a poolside bar, grab-and-go marketplace, and modern guest rooms with clever features like Bluetooth mirrors in bathrooms that allow podcast or music streaming.

A 400-room [Waldorf-Astoria Monarch Beach Resort & Club](#) opens in January with hillside views of the Pacific Ocean and a 30,000 square foot spa.



El Capitan, a Joie de Vivre Hotel, will open in February in Merced, California  
EL CAPITAN, A JOIE DE VIVRE HOTEL

Another World of Hyatt-participating property for Hyatt fans will open in Merced, California, in February. [El Capitan, a Joie de Vivre Hotel](#), will have 114 rooms in a historic downtown building with four different dining options.

In Encinitas, California (near San Diego), [Alila Marea Beach Resort Encinitas](#) will open at the end of February. The 130-room resort will be the second Alila property to open in the United States; the majority of its resorts are in the Asia-Pacific region. It is sure to be a popular option for [World of Hyatt members](#) in 2021.

The first resort-casino built from scratch is opening this month in Las Vegas as the [Circa Resort & Casino](#) in downtown Las Vegas. The adults-only hotel will also host the world's largest sportsbook, Circa Sports, featuring a 78-million-pixel high-definition screen showcasing 19 simultaneous games.



Virgin Hotels Las Vegas, Curio Collection by Hilton, opens in Sin City in January.  
VIRGIN HOTELS LAS VEGAS, CURIO COLLECTION BY HILTON

[Virgin Hotels Las Vegas, a Curio Collection by Hilton](#) property, will open in January. The 1,500-room casino resort has three accommodation towers, a five-acre “desert pool oasis,” and a dozen food and beverage venues including Nobu and Todd English’s Olives.

The art-themed [Gordon Hotel](#) will open in late January in Eugene, Oregon with 82 rooms and an art bar where guests can create their own masterpiece using pencils, watercolor, and clay.

Halfway across the Pacific Ocean, Hawaii will get a new Marriott-branded property when the [AC Hotel Maui Wailea](#) opens in February.



The all-inclusive Anantara Maia Seychelles Villas offers private accommodations overlooking the ... [+]  
ANANTARA

## Africa

Around the world, hotel companies are betting on positive news and a successful vaccine distribution with a large number of new openings.

[Anantara Maia Seychelles Villas](#) opens to great fanfare this month on Mahé with 30 pool villas staffed by on-demand villa hosts and overlooking the Indian Ocean from hillside perches. Designed by landscape architect Bill Bensley, the property’s gardens are signature hallmarks of this resort, which features the option for a la carte or all-inclusive rates. Guests can choose between meandering the curated grounds or relaxing in private infinity pools and outdoor showers stocked with Hermes toiletries.





Amani Boutique Hotel in Zanzibar is located on Paje Beach overlooking the Indian Ocean.

SMALL LUXURY HOTELS OF THE WORLD

[Amani Boutique Hotel Zanzibar](#) opens in January as a member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World, which also has a partnership with [World of Hyatt](#). Regional flair is apparent in the dining menu and guest room decor. The property is located on Paje Beach overlooking the Indian Ocean.

Safari goers have a new option in Botswana with [Xigera Safari Lodge](#), which will open in January. The ultimate in social distancing, [safaris can be a great first-step trip](#) for those looking for cautious travel ideas.



Johannesburg's voco Rosebank will be the first for the brand in South Africa.  
IHG HOTELS & RESORTS

In February, [voco The Bank, Johannesburg, Rosebank](#), opens with 131 rooms a short walk from the Gautrain station (offering a direct line to O.R. Tambo International Airport) and numerous area restaurants and shops.

Another new design hotel in Johannesburg, [The Mighty Fine](#), is set to open on Feb. 1 in the Strathavon area, not far from Sandton. All rooms will feature fully equipped kitchenettes with SMEG appliances and locally sourced toiletries.





A traditional guest room at Hyatt Regency Cape Town  
HYATT REGENCY CAPE TOWN

In Cape Town, the new [Hyatt Regency Cape Town](#) opens this month in what was once the Hilton. The 137-room hotel is located in the central business district and within walking distance to great dining and shopping.



Private villas overlook the rice paddies and distant bay  
ZANNIER HOTELS

## Asia-Pacific

In the Phu Yen province of Vietnam, [Bãi San Hô](#) (meaning bay of corals) features many accommodations with private plunge pools and breathtaking hillside views, all far from the tourist centers for maximum privacy and relaxation.

Four Seasons returns to Bangkok again when it opens its newest hotel this month. [Four Seasons Hotel Bangkok at Chao Phraya River](#) features traditional rooms and suites as well as private residences overlooking the city's bustling waterway and skyline.



The new Hyatt Regency Phnom Penh will be the capital's largest internationally branded hotel when it ... [+]

HYATT REGENCY PHNOM PENH

[Hyatt Regency Phnom Penh](#) will open in the first two months of the year in the Cambodian capital. The 247-room hotel will be the first Hyatt Regency property in the country as well as the city's largest internationally branded hotel in the city.

The 175-room [Hotel Resonance Taipei, Tapestry Collection by Hilton](#), will open in Taiwan this month marking the brand's debut in the Asia-Pacific region.



The bathhouse at KAI Kirishima in the Kyushu region of Japan.

HOSHINO RESORTS

Japan has been preparing for plentiful hotel openings in time for the Olympics, and while some may be slightly delayed, they are still opening. Mountainside [KAI Kirishima](#), part of Hoshino Resorts, will open in January in Kagoshima prefecture of Kyushu. This hot spring ryokan in clear view of Mt. Sakurajima offers a contemporary take on the traditional Japanese inn. The first Ritz-Carlton Reserve opens in Japan this month in Niseko. [Higashiyama Niseko Village, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve](#), has 43 rooms and seven suites at the base of Mount Niseko Annupuri overlooking Mount Yotei. Popular for outdoor mountain activities like skiing, it also features a traditional onsen and full-service spa.



The Legian Sire, Lombok, has 61 one villas and suites.  
THE LEGIAN SIRE, LOMBOK

In Indonesia, [The Legian Sire, Lombok](#), opens this month as a member of The Leading Hotels of the World. It has 61 suites and villas overlooking the ocean and the Gili Islands.



A guest room at the new JW Marriott Gold Coast Resort & Spa.  
JW MARRIOTT GOLD COAST RESORT & SPA

Down under, Australia will welcome a new Marriott brand with the opening of [JW Marriott Gold Coast Resort & Spa](#) in Queensland this month. The 223-room hotel is a reflagging of the former Surfers Paradise Marriott. Following a \$35 million overhaul, it will feature remodeled interior spaces and six food and beverage outlets.



The rooftop pool, bar, and lounge of Hotel Indigo Brisbane.  
HOTEL INDIGO BRISBANE

By the end of January, the new [Hotel Indigo Brisbane Fortitude Valley](#) will be welcoming guests to its lively neighborhood including proximity to neighboring pubs and the Fortitude Music Hall hosting bands and comedy acts.





Regional art, posters, and design are on display throughout the hotel.  
IHG HOTELS & RESORTS

In Adelaide, [Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets](#) opens in January with 145 rooms, a rooftop lounge with raw bar, and copper decor throughout the property paying homage to South Australia's copper mining history.



A rendering of the new Fairmont Windsor Park in the United Kingdom.  
FAIRMONT WINDSOR PARK

## Europe

In the English countryside near Windsor Great Park and Savill Gardens, [Fairmont Windsor Park](#) will open its doors in February. It will have over 200 bedrooms as well as a spa with indoor and outdoor pools, salt room, hammam, and Japanese foot spa overlooking the courtyard and fire pit.

London will see a fourth property for the Locke brand when [Kingsland Locke](#) opens in January with 124 studio apartments, plentiful co-working space, and an onsite microbrewery and gin distillery among its many amenities.



Grand Universe Lucca, Autograph Collection, opened this month in Italy.  
GRAND UNIVERSE LUCCA, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

[Grand Universe Lucca, Autograph Collection](#), opened this month in a restored, 16th century palazzo in Tuscany. Its 55 rooms and suites put guests in the heart of town overlooking two important piazzas. The hotel will offer pasta and pastry making workshops as well as honey, wine and olive oil tastings and pairings.



Grand Hotel Victoria will open on the shores of Lake Como in February.  
SMALL LUXURY HOTELS OF THE WORLD

On the shores of Lake Como in northern Italy, the [Grand Hotel Victoria Concept & Spa](#) will open in February. The 19th century neoclassical villa will feature 81 rooms and suites and be part of Small Luxury Hotels of the World, which participates in [World of Hyatt](#).

The [Comwell Copenhagen Portside](#) opens in January taking inspiration from the Danish capital's historic harbor warehouses. Its 493 rooms, part of the Wyndham Hotels & Resorts group, represent the first hotel to open in the Nordhavn area.

In Madrid, one of the first Tapestry Collection by Hilton hotels in Europe will open by the end of February. [Atocha Hotel Madrid](#) is within walking distance of its namesake train station as well as the "Golden Triangle of Art," known for some of Europe's most famous art museums.



The lobby of Preferred Hotels' new Palacio Provincial in San Juan, Puerto Rico.  
PALACIO PROVINCIAL

## Latin America and the Caribbean

In Puerto Rico's charming Old San Juan district, [Palacio Provincial](#) will open in January as a member of Preferred Hotels & Resorts and participant in its [I Prefer Hotel Rewards program](#). The building's history dates back 200 years hosting diplomatic visitors to the island. On top of the 43-room hotel is a rooftop swimming pool overlooking the city.

Preferred Hotels & Resorts is gaining a new property in the [Galeria Plaza San Jeronimo](#) that opens this month in Mexico City. Its rooftop pool and garden plus 151 rooms and suites in a central capital city neighborhood are sure to prove popular with both business and leisure travelers.



The rooftop bar at Aloft Tulum in Mexico  
ALOFT TULUM

Also in Mexico is the new [Aloft Tulum](#) that will open in February. It will be near the city center and a short drive from the Caribbean waterfront.

North of Cancun's hotel zone, a new [Planet Hollywood Beach Resort](#) opens this month with 898 suites and 11 restaurants. The resort will have its signature Hollywood-themed memorabilia on display highlighting 40 "cult classic" movies. An adults-only section of the resort, known as "Adult Scene," is a first for the brand; it will have its own beachfront, pool area, and specialty restaurants.

[Cielo Lodge](#), along the Osa Peninsula of Costa Rica, will open in January featuring six suites with open-air accommodations amid the tree canopy of the Golfito Rainforest.



[Canopy by Hilton São Paulo Jardins](#) opens this January as the first Canopy by Hilton property in South America. The 98-room boutique hotel will treat guests to complimentary, local spirits and light fare each day in addition to regionally inspired check-in gifts.



Each villa at Beach Enclave Turks & Caicos has its own infinity-edge swimming pool.  
BEACH ENCLAVE TURKS & CAICOS

The Caribbean has a spate of new hotel openings on the horizon. In the Turks and Caicos, [Beach Enclave Grace Bay](#) opens in December with ten standalone villas offering Grace Bay beachfront and ocean views. This is the first, new-build project along Grace Bay in a decade. Each features a private infinity-edge pool, full kitchen with villa staff, and ample outdoor spaces including dining areas and showers.



This new, beachfront hotel is located within an 18th century sugar mill  
LONG BAY RESORT

On the British Virgin Islands, [Long Bay Resort](#) will be Tortola's newest hotel when it opens in December. Its location within an 18th century sugar mill adds to the ambiance of this "barefoot chic" property.

[Lovango Resort and Beach Club](#) on St. John, part of the U.S. Virgin Islands, is available for reservations now as part of a phased opening. The first section to open will be its beach club, restaurant, three bedroom villa, shopping area, and 14 ocean view home sites with the hotel section following a few weeks later.