

Our picks for the 15 best new hotels in the world.

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Every day at AFAR, we think deeply about what makes a hotel experience truly extraordinary. The hotels we love don't just wow us with their outstanding locations, design, and service. They're continually looking to reduce their carbon footprint, benefit communities in meaningful ways, and connect guests to biodiverse landscapes. We showcase these values each year on our Stay List, AFAR's compendium of the world's best new hotels. The 15 properties featured here—vetted by our trusted network of editors, writers, and travel advisors—range from an idyllic farm retreat in upstate New York to a palatial, locally run hotel on Italy's Lake Como. With choices like these, which will you book first? —Jennifer Flowers



The building that houses Sommerro was once the head offices for the city's electrical company. Courtesy of Sommerro

## Sommerro

- · Location: Oslo, Norway
- Book now

The 1930s headquarters of Oslo's electric company has been sustainably revamped to serve the city in a different way: Sommerro is not only a 231-room hotel with neoclassical and art deco trimmings but also an urban social hub where locals and travelers mingle. They can chat over a raspberry and elderflower cocktail or a reindeer udon noodle bowl at TAK (the hotel's Nordic Japanese fusion restaurant) or visit the building's public cinema, theater, and rooftop pool (Oslo's first). Afterward, when Oslovians head home, hotel guests can unwind in one of Sommerro's lofts and suites, designed with rich woods and jewel-toned accents. — *Amanda Ogle*