

Hot, Hot, Hot: Three New Hotels To Book Now For 2019



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f From a weekend break in the balmy island of **Mallorca** to exploring the wonders of **Costa Rica**, these three hotel openings are the ones to put on your wish-list this year...

in **Can Bordoy Grand House & Garden, Palma de Mallorca, Spain**



Grand interiors are a highlight at Can Bordoy. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/CAN BORDOY)

Just opened in Mallorca, is the island's newest, and arguably most stylish, retreat. **Can Bordoy Grand House & Garden** is carved out of a 16th century property, and found behind a discrete façade in Palma de Mallorca's Old Quarter. With its personalised service and intimate feel, it feels more like a grand private home than a 24-suite hotel.

Hidden on a quiet cobblestone street, this renovated medieval mansion features restored antique frescoes, wooden beams and gothic relics, alongside contemporary design and curated modern artworks. It all works together to elevate the property's historic aristocratic charm for a modern-day crowd.



Where modern meets heritage. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/CAN BORDOY)

Highlights include Palma's largest private garden, which has over 70 plant species, as well as a diverse array of olive, jacaranda and fruit trees all flourishing in this centuries-old hidden space. As well as offering a quiet sanctuary, the garden will also be used for intimate dining and spa experiences.



A botanical feel is felt throughout at Can Bordoy. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/CAN BORDOY)

Guests can also take a dip in the heated outdoor pool, chill out on the rooftop, take advantage of the library and soak up the destination spa. The Botànic Restaurant, meanwhile, focuses on locally-sourced Mallorcan produce, served with simplicity, and is headed up by former Michelin-starred head chef **Andrés Benitez**.

Best of all, guests can expect to be wowed by the interiors, designed by Paloma Hernaiz and Jaime Oliver of **OHLAB**, and which feature gothic relics, marble tiling, baroque mirrors, and velvet curtains.

canbordoy.com

Hotel Bennett, Charleston, South Carolina, U.S.A.



Dining is key at Hotel Bennett. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/HOTEL BENNETT)

Slated to open its doors this month in Charleston, after 13 years in the making, is the much-anticipated **Hotel Bennett**. Hailed as one of the most opulent debuts in the American South, it will offer a traditional English sense of style married with a classic southern look. Carved out of the county's former library, it overlooks Charleston's iconic Marion Square, and will be one of the grandest hotels in the area.



The imposing Hotel Bennett was once a former library. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/HOTEL BENNETT)

The hotel is the vision of Michael Bennett, who is both a Charleston native and a successful developer and restaurateur. His acclaimed dining spots, such as **Coast Bar and Grill**, **Virginia's on King**, **39 Rue De Jean** and **Vincent Chicco's**, have defined Charleston's thriving culinary scene. Consequently at Hotel Bennett, dining is at the heart of the offering, with a signature restaurant serving refined Southern classics and the Camellias Bar, which includes an etched-mirrored ceiling and reclaimed pink marble from the former Charleston Library for its floor, bar and table tops. Also tempting guests is a chic Pâtisserie, and an iconic rooftop bar with a casual dining offering.



Classic Interiors have a luxe feel. (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/HOTEL BENNETT)

Guests can also expect a rooftop pool with cabanas, while the opulent interiors will feature marble and copper flourishes, custom furnishing and local artwork.

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Santarena Hotel, Las Catalinas, Costa Rica



Soak up the charms of the new Santarena Hotel (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/SANTARENA HOTEL)

Giving even more reason for travellers to soak up **Costa Rica's** 'pura vida' lifestyle, is the new **Santarena Hotel**, a 45-room opening in the boho, car-free town of Las Catalinas.



Elegant interiors beckon at Santarena Hotel (CREDIT: PREFERRED HOTELS/SANTARENA HOTEL)

Opening in February 2019, rooms will have Pacific Ocean views, locally sourced amenities and an ‘eco’ vibe. A roof-top lounge and swimming pool, plus elevated local cuisine, which will focus on sustainability and farm-to-fork dishes, will be sure to beckon in a well-heeled crowd. The perfect base to explore Costa Rica’s coastline and tropical dry forest, the hotel will also offer a host of wellness and adventure activities on offer, such as hiking, mountain biking, kayaking, and scuba diving. It's the ultimate in the feel-good factor.

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