

Robb Report

The 17 Most Hotly Anticipated Hotel Openings of 2019

The beach resorts, city hotels, safari camps, and adventure lodges you need to know this year.

A boutique hotel with a floating spa in England's countryside. Luxury domes in the middle of Bolivia's salt flats. A top-to-bottom remake of one of the world's legendary hotels in Singapore. These are just a few of the reasons we're excited to travel in 2019. As we hunker down for winter, we're setting the countdown for the openings of some truly incredible properties this year, from spa retreats to lavish resorts to tented camps across the globe. Here, we're predicting an entire year's worth of the best in travel—let's go!

The Bali Alternative: Lelewatu Resort Sumba *Opening: April 2019*

As [Bali becomes](#) more and more overcrowded, travelers—and hotel owners—are looking to other islands in Indonesia's archipelago of unspoiled islands. Enter Sumba, a tropical and relatively unknown paradise with remote beaches, world-class surf, lush jungles, and an enthralling local culture. Come this April, the idyllic isle will welcome [Lelewatu Resort Sumba](#), a member of the Preferred Hotel & Resorts set on a cliffside overlooking a private lagoon and the Indian Ocean. Scattered over 10 acres of untouched land, the resort's 27 stunning villas will be filled with authentic Sumbanese wooden interiors, hand-woven ikat fabrics, indoor marble baths, and private balconies and pools. Guests can sample local delicacies at two gourmet restaurants, be pampered at the Maraga Spa, and experience a host of activities including yoga, horseback riding, trekking, and exploring the beautiful coastline, traditional villages, sacred lakes, and waterfalls. Bali who?

