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Wish we were there...

Clockwise, from above: Awasi Patagonia. Hotel Bevanda. The Louise.

Always on top of its game when it comes to distinctive properties, Relais & Châteaux has added more gems to its portfolio. Stirring our travel desires are:

HOTEL BEVANDA, a boutique

10-room establishment with mesmerising views of Croatia's Opatija coast and the Adriatic Sea. You're literally surrounded by blue.

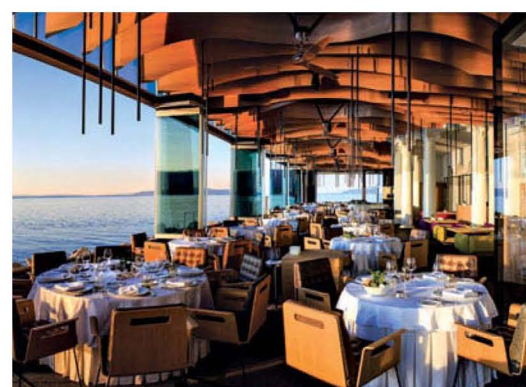
www.relaischateaux.com/bevanda

THE LOUISE is located in Australia's legendary wine area, the Barossa Valley. Perched on a hill with panoramic views, you're guaranteed the ultimate cuisine experience, with a choice of over 500 wines from around the world. Then there are bike rides through the winelands and hot-air balloon rides over the valley. Sigh...

www.relaischateaux.com/thelouise

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is nestled in a private reserve where you can enjoy personally guided adventures to explore Sarmiento Lake, the virgin forests and the wildlife (including foxes, condors and pumas). Or watch nature unfold through huge picture windows from the comfort of your villa. www.relaischateaux.com/awasipatagonia



5 Minutes with...

Emma Powell, Associate Director at Grifco, a travel specialist PR firm in London with clients such as the Park Hyatt and the Andaz Hotels

BEST PLACE IN THE WORLD? Exotic Hong Kong and the remote north-western highlands of Scotland.

TRAVEL FICTION? The surreal and wonderful tales of Haruki Murakami.

ROLLING SUITCASE, DUFFEL OR TRUNK? Definitely a rolling suitcase – anything without wheels slows me down.

SUMMER OR WINTER? I'm a sun-worshipper at heart.

SPACE OR TRAIN TRAVEL? Train travel. I've taken some fantastic rail journeys – past multi-coloured tulip fields in Holland, along India's west coast and through New Zealand's stunning landscape. – **Daniel Scheffler**



DUBAI'S BIG PLANS

Dubai Tourism has taken the first steps towards achieving its target of 20 million annual visitors by 2020. A series of innovative initiatives has been launched to make this the world's most visited city.

HE Helal Saeed Almarri, Director-General of Dubai's Department of Tourism & Commerce Marketing, says: "A substantial number of new hotels, attractions and events has opened, taken place or been announced. Further, in addition to lifting UAE federal pre-entry visa regulations on European Union member states, major legislative changes have been made which will directly and positively impact the tourism sector and enable us to attract more business and leisure travellers."



LIP SERVICE My lips suffer most when travelling, becoming dry and chapped after long-haul flights. However, Nuxe's Rêve de Miel Lip Balm is a delicious, rich, repairing, nourishing balm. Verdict: Addictive!



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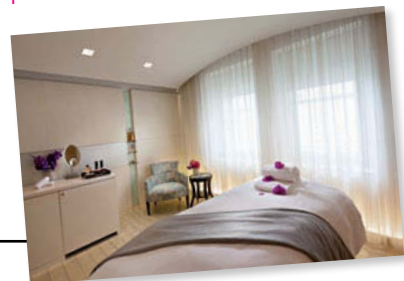
The perfect post-long-haul treatment is the organic Amala Purify Clay Mask. The formula combines nurturing blue lotus and green and white clay to give your skin a new glow.

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a day of pampering with a red velvet cupcake that was invented right here.

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Global eye

By Daniel Scheffler

Things to do, buy, see and try

1. LONDON With a host of Michelin stars, Launceston Place restaurant is the pride of Kensington. Chef Tim Allen believes in British organic produce, evidenced by the hand-dived scallops served with truffles and lime, followed by delectable cheesecake.

📍 www.launcestonplace-restaurant.co.uk



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2. BALI If you're looking for a villa to buy (or rent) for summer, or simply the finest resort service in the world, head for Amanusa in southern Indonesia. It includes a private beach and golf course.

📍 www.amanresorts.com/amanusa/home.aspx



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3. MELBOURNE Where's the ideal place in Oz to see the sun go down over a cocktail? There are three super choices: Melbourne's Transit Lounge, Bomba or Siglo, each offering breathtaking views of the city. 📍 www.visitvictoria.com

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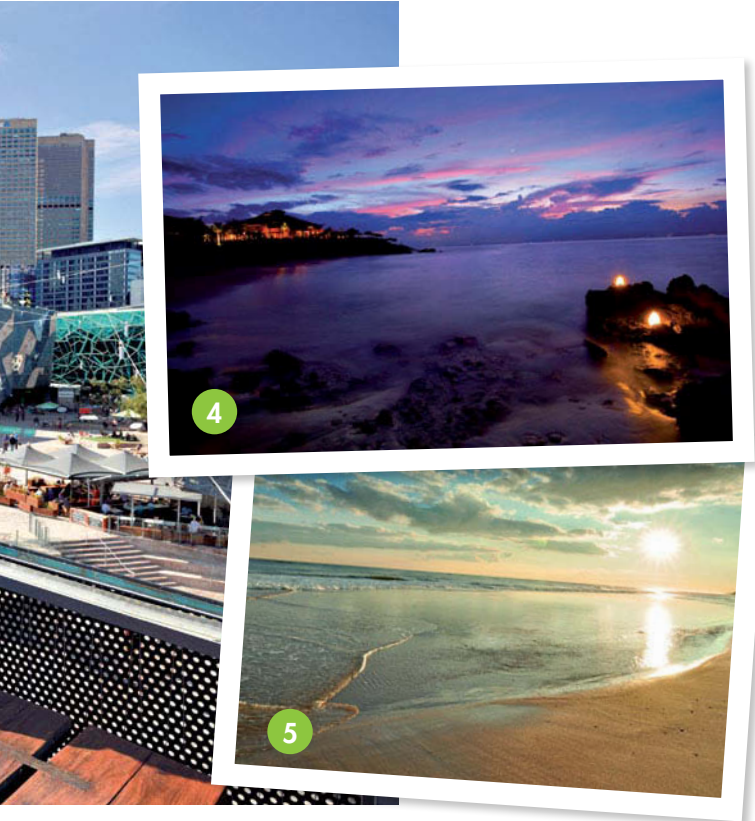
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4. VIEQUES, PUERTO RICO After a night at the St Regis on the main island (and sampling its signature Encanto Bloody Mary), a quick small-plane hop gets you to a bio bay and red beaches on Vieques Island. There's a W Hotel close by, where you can enjoy snorkelling or lazy afternoons at the spa. www.starwoodhotels.com

5. MONTAUK, USA Following a recent renovation, the iconic Gurney's Inn has re-opened with cottages on the beach, contemporary dining options, drop-dead cocktails and everything you need for a sizzling summer party. www.gurneysinnc.com

6. HAMPSHIRE, UK A scenic drive away from London, Lime Wood Hotel is ideal for letting your hair down, having fun, relaxing with yoga and enjoying terrific cuisine, drinks and the countryside. It's a foodie haven that includes smokehouse-cured meats. www.limewoodhotel.co.uk/home

7. DAMARALAND, NAMIBIA The new Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp, along the wildlife-rich Hoanib River, makes for an unforgettable outdoors holiday. Or try the nearby Ongava Tented Camp, which overlooks a watering hole, but has its own pool. www.africa-adventure.com

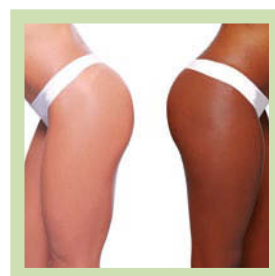


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