



The Best New Hotels in the World: 2020 Hot List

76 PHOTOS

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For the 24th edition of the Hot List—our picks of the year's top hotel and cruise openings—these 76 winners represent the absolute best of the best.



When our team of editors and contributors set off for a year of hopscotching the globe to put together *Conde Nast Traveler's 2020 Hot List*, we could never have imagined that by the time we were able to announce our winners, we would be staying home for the foreseeable future. In 24 years of putting together this compendium of the latest and greatest industry openings, we've never published it in a year like this. Many on this list have had to, at least temporarily, close their newly opened doors. Even still, we are proud to unveil this selection of 76 hotels, whittled down from over 400 prospects. Found throughout 34 countries and territories, in some of the world's busiest cities, dreamiest islands, and emptiest deserts, from established hotel brands as well as first-time, indie hoteliers, these are the absolute best of the best; the game-changing, boundary-pushing, and vacation-making openings to get you dreaming.

We know that right now you're probably wondering when you'll be able to take your next trip. When you do, we encourage you to use these exceptional openings and launches as your guide. We have a feeling that, when the time comes and it's safe to travel, we're all really going to need these hotels and cruises, and they're going to need us, too. It will be worth the wait.

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The first wellness retreat in the Hamptons has a kick-off-the-espadrilles-and-down-a-tumeric-juice carefreeness, because its philosophy is thrillingly simple: Focus on the basics of self-care by tapping into what cofounder Amy Cherry-Abitbol likes to call intuitive wellness. It's just what high-strung visitors to the area need. The point of Shou Sugi Ban House isn't to break anyone down, military- or medical-style, but rather to create a space—in sun-flooded barns and blond-wood studios with deep-soaking Japanese tubs—that is a recipe for happiness. There's gentle morning yoga and strolls on the beach, though if lounging by the pool feels like the right speed, that's fine too. The point is to indulge in all the things that are good for us (including that third slice of Danish seeded bread with plum preserves at breakfast), so that we can learn to live the way we all want to—and feel better for it. —*Erin Florio*

Insider Tip: Don't miss out on divine feasts – suppers of roasted duck breast and Japanese aubergine – devised by **Noma** co-founder Mads Refslund and served at the communal table. *From \$935 per person*