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UPDATES ON EVERYTHING GAME-CHANGING IN TRAVEL. EDITED BY TOBY SKINNER



New years always feel like fresh starts. For travellers and hopeful destinations, this one might feel fresher than most. It's the year that, with just a few exceptions, the post-pandemic shackles will fully be released – and long-haul travel will be back on the cards. Take Asia, which is now mostly open again, and where places like Kyoto, Canggu and Chiang Mai will feel changed after an enforced tourism pause – and perhaps more rooted and locally focused. When it comes to global travel, the main narrative is about sensitive re-engagement with the world and awareness of our impact on local environments and communities. None of that is to say there won't be simple joy, whether visiting one of a thrilling new crop of Roman hotels, running barefoot on the wild Atlantic beaches around Melides or checking into Bill Bensley's latest creative vision in Himalayan Nepal. Here are just some of the destinations, people and trends we're excited about. Happy travels.

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A BIG YEAR IN TRAVEL

THE PLACES, PEOPLE AND TRENDS TO LOOK OUT FOR IN 2023



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THE DESIGNER

MARTIN BRUDNIZKI

The London-based Swedish interior designer has become a global leader in a new kind of thoughtful and refined maximalism, as seen at Italian restaurant Mother Wolf in LA or Eden Rock St Barths. One of his latest projects is Le Grand Mazarin hotel in Paris, inspired by the literary salons of the old Marais.

What are you looking forward to in 2023? “With such global chaos, it feels like we’re at a turning point with a return to quality and respect for experts. This will hopefully mean people stop chasing trends, which should lead to fewer interiors that look alike and more rooms designed to last a lifetime.”

Where will you be travelling? “I’ve booked a cruise on the Nile. It’s a sailing boat, very Agatha Christie, and will be so different from my everyday life that I’m hoping I’ll switch off completely.”

Favourite local haunts? “When I’m in Sussex, I love visiting Parham, an Elizabethan house on the South Downs, with a walled garden to one side and a 14th-century church and cricket pitch on the other. I also recently had a tour and wine tasting at the Wiston Estate near Findon, topped off with delicious food and wine in its restaurant, Chalk.” EL mbds.com

