



# Upper deck

Top-flight landing places for high flyers.

**REFINED BALANCE** Palacio Astoreca, a landmark 20s mansion in Valparaíso, Chile, has been dramatically recast as the city's coolest hotel (left). Retaining its colonial character with sumptuous parquetry and elaborate mouldings, this seriously hot hang-out represents a fine balance of old and new. Alegre, the on-site restaurant, is a sizzling scene unto itself helmed by El Bulli alumnus Sergio Barroso. [hotelpalacioastoreca.com](http://hotelpalacioastoreca.com)

## MAGICAL MARRAKECH

Acclaimed designer Jacques Garcia has channelled Moroccan mystique with his vision for the Delano Marrakech boutique hotel (right). The brainchild of boutique hotel group Morgans, the 27 luxury suites and 44 stately guestrooms flaunt the enviable 360-degree outlook over the city and the Atlas mountains beyond, with an ultra-glamorous rooftop lounge. [delanomarrakech.com](http://delanomarrakech.com)



## A SHORT STAY WITH DANA TOMIĆ HUGHES

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**Favourite travel experience** Visiting Spazio Rossana Orlandi in Milan during Design Week is mind-blowing. **Holiday tips** Hendrick's and tonic or Aperol spritzers are hard to beat in summer. **Coolest hotel** Square Nine in Belgrade is stunning – exquisite attention to detail and a furniture collection to die for! **Travel essentials** Comfortable footwear that looks good (never easy!), Moleskine city notebooks and my iPhone. **Best travel destination** Paris. It's packed with history, culture, art, design, fashion... **Most cherished souvenirs** My collection of Serbian knitted textiles, lace and linen embroidery. [yellowtrace.com.au](http://yellowtrace.com.au)



**THREAD COUNT** In Manhattan's garment district, The Refinery hotel harnesses its location's heritage with a stylish urban ethos. Recalling the dapper elegance of the 20s, the 197 rooms meld cutting-edge technology with a lived-in aesthetic (above). [refineryhotelnyc.com](http://refineryhotelnyc.com)

**SOBE SUPREME** Sunseekers will relish the white-washed interiors and sublime ocean vistas at The James Royal Palm, Miami. A chic addition to the South Beach scene, this luxurious stay (below) showcases emerging local artists. Vestiges of the original Royal Palm remain – rolling lawns, a majestic fountain and, of course, palm trees. [jameshotels.com](http://jameshotels.com)



**FOLLOW THE MUSIC** Like the Viennese waltz, the newest Ritz-Carlton Hotel, located on the Austrian capital's famed Ring Boulevard, is a symphony of opulence with first-class service. The palatial environs (above) play host to a sumptuous Guerlain spa, rooftop terrace and 43 elegant suites. [ritzcarlton.com](http://ritzcarlton.com)



## TOP OF THE POPS

CitizenM Bankside is a design-conscious hotel (left) for the budget-minded. Taking cues from its lively location in central London, just seconds from the Tate Modern, the budding Dutch hotel group's latest offering is furnished with a veritable greatest hits of mid-century design paired with eye-catching contemporary art by the likes of Mark Titchner, Mario Testino and Gavin Turk. [citizenm.com](http://citizenm.com)

**PS... TIE ONE ON** Jet-set fashion illustrator Megan Hess has drawn inspiration from fabulous travel locations for 'Escape', her debut silk scarf collection, which renders Mediterranean bliss, Parisian opulence and a glamorous safari scene. Visit [meganhess.com.au](http://meganhess.com.au)