



HELSINKI

WINTER GARDEN

Characterised by inner harmony and privacy, this historic building has been transformed into The George. Guests can enjoy a glass-roofed garden and a giant dragon sculpture by Ai Weiwei. stgeorgehelsinki.com



A SHORT STAY with PAUL BANGAY

{ Garden designer, OAM }

Where's your favourite hotel? Gravetye Manor, a West Sussex hotel once home to great landscape designer William Robinson. His garden is modernised but its bones remain. Favourite design piece found abroad? An 18th-century marble frieze from Rose Uniacke in London. Does travel influence your work? I am always seeking new gardens, especially by contemporary designers like Piet Oudolf or Tom Stuart-Smith. I've been researching how Middle East gardens are created in hot, dry areas. Ultimate destination for 2018? The Himalayas, to see daphne and magnolias in their native habitat. Latest project? An outdoor rug range for Cadrys. cadrys.com.au; paulbangay.com



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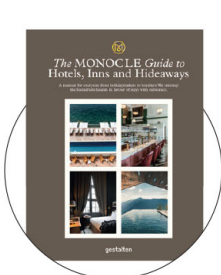
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TEL AVIV WHITE CITY London-based John Pawson has restored a 19th-century hospital as The Jaffa to seamlessly connect with Yafo, Tel Aviv's vibrant 4000-year-old port area. thejaffatelaviv.com

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LAKE COMO

ROOM WITH A VIEW

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