

A black and white close-up portrait of Francis Ford Coppola. He has a weathered face with deep wrinkles, a thick mustache, and a goatee. He is looking slightly to the right with a contemplative expression. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be an outdoor setting with some foliage.

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+ DREAM DESTINATIONS

The recently opened hotels we're fantasizing about visiting when travel is possible and practical again

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WE'VE ALL MADE MANY SACRIFICES IN 2020 DUE TO COVID-19, ONE OF WHICH HAS BEEN THE ability to travel. Until that day when we can fly safely again, here are the destinations we're dreaming of visiting... and the newly-opened hotels in each location that we can't wait to check into.

For the ultimate socially distant stay, book: The private reserve, a three-bedroom, 6,930 square-foot retreat with its own pool, spa treatment room, steam room and gym as well as a fully-equipped and semi-outdoor boffi kitchen.

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SIX SENSES SHAHARUT

If you'd like a Biblical experience in the truest sense of the word, it's time to descend on Six Senses Shaharut, located within the Ancient Negev Desert's Arava Valley, often described as the nexus of heaven and earth. Here, sunsets meld into the orange dunes to become an inky sky scattered with stardust, transforming into burning embers of pink and gold that inspire the property's name ("Shaharut" translates as "the moment just before dawn"). The resort is comprised of just 60 suites and pool villas, which occupy a total footprint of approximately 46 acres, altogether a tiny fraction of the Negev Desert, which stretches over approximately half of the Holy Land. The experiences here, as it were, are divine. There's an Earth Lab for those who want to learn about the area that surrounds them, functioning camel stables on site, with both an arena and a grooming area for early morning and twilight camel rides, as well as off-road driving, mountain climbing, mountain biking, rappelling, hiking, camel or jeep safaris, craft workshops and bird watching tours in the Arava Valley. Additionally, there are overnight camel camping trips and dune walking tours with Bedouins. For those who prefer to stay on site, the brand offers one of its signature Six Senses Spas, which has saunas, hammams, indoor and outdoor pools, a gym, and a yoga studio with desert views.

Shaharut Negev Desert, Israel



For the ultimate socially distant stay, book: The Presidential Suite, which has space and then some; it occupies the entire top floor of the hotel. If you want privacy and the best panoramic views over the city of Sapa, its floor-to-ceiling windows, reading room and rainfall shower are for you.

HOTEL DE LA COUPOLE – MGALLERY

Vietnam's MGallery Hotel de la Coupole may be one of the most stylish hotel openings in years. The haute couture meets hill tribe vibe is classic Bill Bensley — whimsical, distinctive, and utterly enchanting. The property is a throwback to the French Indochine era — think glamorous 1920s and '30s stylings, vibrant touches inspired by local Sapa hill tribes and Art Deco designs — set in the Sapa mountains, away from the hustle and bustle of Hanoi. In homage to the property's fashionable roots, each suite is named after a special type of fabric used by France's vintage couture houses.

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ANDRONIS ARCADIA

Is there anyone who doesn't dream of the Greek islands? Those white-washed walls with cerulean domes that match the water, those epic sunsets... sigh. If a Cycladic journey is high on your wish list, head to Andronis Arcadia, the newest property in the Andronis brand's portfolio, on the ultra-romantic island of Santorini. In Greek mythology, Arcadia was the mythical home of the god Pan, a place of natural harmony and pastoral enchantment. Like its namesake, visitors will find this in the center of the postcard-like Oia. Each and every suite at this all-suite hotel has its own pool, perfectly situated to capture the awe-inspiring views of the Aegean Sea. Scuba-dive, take advantage of a daily catamaran journey, book a private yacht, or spend some time tasting wine — whatever your wish, it will be granted. Make sure to take advantage of the property's nightly "Sunset Rituals" — giving thanks and drinking cocktails at Pacman, its outdoor bar.

Oia 847 02, Greece



For the ultimate socially distant stay, book: The Eden Villa, the largest of its kind on the island. It's a three story affair furnished with six bedrooms, two bathrooms, two private pools, a fitness center, spa, and fully equipped modern kitchen. The interiors mix white, sand and bursts of turquoise, reminding you that the sea is never far away.

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