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### SPACE MAKERS

The architects behind the shapeliest new stores, showrooms and more

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Noise-reducing fashion

### LIGHT TREAD

The surge of the sustainable sneaker



# DEPARTURE INFO

From elevated chic in Zhejiang to a boutique wow in Warsaw



## Peak viewing

YULE MOUNTAIN HOTEL, ZHEJIANG ↑

Yule Mountain is almost unrecognisable after a recent renovation by Continuation Studio. Framed by the tree-cloaked Tianmu Mountain, bamboo forests and a bijou creek, the 15-room property features stone-lined internal courtyards bordered by slatted screens, corkscrew stairwells, a vast central pool, a long perforated timber porch

along the hotel's outer edge, and stupendous views. Meanwhile, head chef Jiang Yongshui cleaves close to the Zhejiang playbook with green tea dumplings and groupers steamed with bamboo shoots. **Daven Wu** *Baisha Village, Taihuyuan, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China, tel: 86.1515 880 5192. Rates: from CNY1,080 (\$157)*

### REFLECTIVE STATE

Above, the pool in front of the lobby forms the main part of Yule's inner courtyard

### HAPPY UNION

Below, the 162-room Prestige blends modern and Victorian design with art deco touches



## Magic moment

THE PRESTIGE, PENANG ←

At the 162-room Prestige, recently opened in Penang's old quarter, architect KL Wong's imposing white pile of high arches and grillwork opens into a playful interior by Singapore-based Ministry of Design. The mood riffs off Victorian magician flick *The Prestige* with long corridors camouflaged by dizzying Escheresque monochrome floor patterns, art deco chrome lattices, bathrooms behind hidden doors, and desks that seem to float over chrome spheres. The rooftop saltwater pool looks over the port and the Strait of Malacca, though the attention is pleurably diverted by head chef Shafiq Rizhar Rozali's Peranakan-inflected *nasi ulam*, and fried chicken marinated in a honey gochujang paste. **DW** *8 Gat Lebuh Gereja, Penang, tel: 60.4 217 5888, theprestige.my. Rates: from MYR420 (\$103)*



## New ground

PURO, WARSAW ←

Polish hotel group Puro's latest boutique property is a certified crowd-pleaser. Located in a new build, designed by the Poznań-based ASW Architekci and close to Warsaw's iconic Palace of Culture and Science, the 148-room hotel features interiors by British studio DeSallesFlint. Suites and public spaces have been styled like soigné apartments, swathed in brushed oak, old maps and hand-tufted Golran rugs. Rooftop bar Loreta sports an eye-catching mural by Maurycy Gomulicki, while head chef Mateusz Wichrowski orchestrates a seasonal Italian menu of gnudi with beetroot leaves and chive oil, and hanger steak with baked spring onions and tarragon mayonnaise. **DW**

Widok 9, Warsaw, tel: 48.22 89 98 000, purohotel.pl. Rates: from €100

## Original thinker

GALLERIA VIK, MILAN →

Hot on the heels of its South American resorts, Vik Retreats has made its first foray into Europe. Galleria Vik is the latest luxury hotel to take up residence on Milan's 19th-century historic shopping arcade Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, and it hosts a sprawling network of 90 suites, private spa and three restaurants, including a rooftop pizzeria. Owners Carrie and Alexander Vik recruited a top-notch clique of Italian, Uruguayan and international artists to install original works in each room, while a version of Rodin's *The Thinker* holds court in the reception area, kept company by a writhing tangle of heroic male figures in a ceiling and wall fresco by Italian artist Alex Folla. **Laura May Todd** Via Silvio Pellico 8, Milan, tel: 39.02 8905 8297, galleriavikmilano.com. Rates: from €500



## Peace keeper

INHABIT, LONDON ←

Putting mindfulness at the heart of its philosophy, the 88-room Inhabit unfolds across six Georgian townhouses in a leafy patch of Paddington, and offers a meditation pod, yoga atrium, gym with Peloton bike, and Clearlight infrared sauna. This is all complemented by uplifting Scandi interiors by London-based Caitlin Henderson in soothing neutral tones, as well as plants specially selected for their air-purifying qualities, and a mobile phone box, meant to aid restful sleep. A pantry provides healthy snacks, while Yeotown Kitchen serves an all-day menu of nourishing dishes ranging from gluten-free oat porridge warmed in almond milk to a Thai green curry coconut noodle bowl. **Lauren Ho** 25-27 Southwick Street, London W2, tel: 44.20 7479 2333, inhabit-hotels.com. Rates: from £150

