

The 16 Best Hotel Openings of Spring 2019

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With summer vacation in our sightline, we're taking a moment to examine the latest crop of new hotel openings around the globe. As always, we're mightily impressed with what we've found – a mix of old and new structures that have been thoughtfully pieced together to create homes away from home for worldly travelers who require something much better than any old hotel. Some are housed in new buildings (a 65-floor skyscraper overlooking Hong Kong's Victoria Harbour), while others have taken up residence in old-world structures (a legendary Eero Saarinen-designed airline terminal). What they all have in common is a place on [our ever-growing list of hotels we applaud and that we're dying to visit.](#)



Puro Vik

Where: Millahue Valley, Chile

Why We're Excited: Set amidst [Vik Chile's](#) 11,000 acres of stunning nature, this collection of nineteen uniquely designed glass houses offers travelers a new way to experience the Chilean wine country. With three walls made entirely of glass, the surrounding vistas are on full display at each house, while treetops and foliage ensure complete and total privacy. Rooftops are covered with wild grass or solar panels (depending on the structure's exposure); bathrooms feature globally-sourced marble and Japanese washi wallpaper. A robust art collection is dispersed among the houses and includes pieces by Dale Chihuly and Utagawa Hiroshige. Vik Chile's amenities are open to guests, including two Chilean restaurants, an infinity pool, and activities like yoga and horseback riding.

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