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Brazil

Where to Stay in 2017

You've got a lot to see this year, so you're going to need your rest. These new standout lodgings will make you feel comfortable, relaxed, and inspired everywhere you roam.

In the City

Urban hotels that are destinations in themselves

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SEATTLE

The Thompson

Seattle adds a dose of style to the city's hotel scene. The angular glass structure commands views of Puget Sound and the Olympic Mountains, and its interiors riff on Seattle's aviation heritage with exposed steel and concrete finishes. The Nest lounge, with its two fire pits, draws locals for happy hour, and the locavore-oriented Scout restaurant has already become

a coveted reservation. Score a seat at the chef's counter for a 14-course exploration of the Pacific Northwest. *From \$280.*

44 DENVER

The first clue that the **Halcyon** is not your normal hotel: no check-in desk. Instead, guests are welcomed with an espresso or a cocktail at the lobby bar (where they can return for gratis pick-me-ups during their stay). Turntables with vinyl collections are found in the 155 guest rooms, and the Gear Garage stocks

e-bikes, Vespas, longboards, Leica cameras, and other toys. *From \$299.*

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MIAMI

Anchoring the city's sparkling Brickell City Centre is **EAST, Miami**. The 352 guest rooms exude calm, thanks to natural woods, abstract ocean art, and mesmerizing skyline views framed by floor-to-ceiling windows. Book a table at Quinto La Huella, the first U.S. branch of a revered seaside *parilla* in Uruguay. *From \$380.*

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SEVILLE

Until last fall, Seville

lacked a luxury hotel worthy of the city's world-class architecture. The **Mercer Sevilla** changes that. The seductive 12-room retreat occupies a meticulously restored 19th-century *palacio*. White-on-white guest rooms mix original wood floors with modern furnishings. The rooftop pool's deck is ideal for a siesta; in the cocktail bar, the drinks were dreamed up by noted Seville bartender Diego Cabrera. *From \$687.*

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ROME

Come spring, Rome's historic **Hotel Eden** will reemerge after an extensive face-lift. The 128-year-old hotel's marble and gold lobby hints at the 98 opulent guest rooms that have been refreshed with gold detailing and original artwork. The new spa will use products from the Farmaceutica di Santa Maria Novella, founded in 1612. The top-floor restaurant, La Terrazza dell'Eden, will serve Italian cuisine with views of St. Peter's Basilica. *From \$687.*

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BARCELONA

The London-based Soho House group comes to Spain with the **Soho House Barcelona**, set in a 19th-century building in the lively Barri Gòtic quarter. The private club and hotel embraces classic Catalan

design (traditional tiles, warm hues) in 57 bedrooms, many of which face historic Duc de Medinaceli Square. Social spaces include a lounge serving tapas and a pool with views of the Mediterranean. The spa has its own cavernous pool. *From \$245.*

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GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

Long known as a stopover for Galápagos-bound travelers, Guayaquil has graduated from gritty port city to promising Pacific hub. One reason to stay a couple of

extra nights: the standard-setting **Hotel Del Parque**. Set on the banks of the Rio Daule in an 1890s former Catholic hospice, the 44-room retreat preserves original Republican-era architectural features, including the fountain courtyards, ornate chapel, and bell tower (transformed into a spa treatment room). The hotel is bordered on three sides by a park nurturing native flora and fauna, including the spider monkey, harpy eagle, iguana, and macaw. *From \$350.*

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