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In what sometimes may feel like unpredictable times, it is important to be curious and allow oneself to travel in body and mind. This is our 28th edition providing editorial at the heart of, and on the periphery of, life at Dorchester Collection properties. It's endless—the art, fashion, design and cultural conversations happening in and around its destinations.

Throughout this new year, I invite readers to take a closer look around, to venture out for a day, or to say “yes” to services designed to enrich. Learning something new or going somewhere new are always wonderful and instantaneous solutions for liberating curious minds. Enjoy your stay.

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As Samuel Johnson famously said, "When a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford." Take a timely, cultural tour of the city, to see what's on, what's for supper and where to play, in a city with all that life can afford.

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A Bright Idea

Marcus and Monica Tremonto of Treluce Studios are doing the fundamental creative work shaping the future of lighting design. The duo's latest project goes straight to the essential, a veritable artist's sketch made of light.

As regulars at the celebrated Milan Furniture Fair, and amongst those Americans who consider Paris a second home, Marcus and Monica Tremonto's passion for light-as-artistic-medium began with a poorly lit New York loft. Marcus studied physics and mathematics before going on to get his Masters in Fine Arts from the Art Institute of Chicago, then founding the New York-based Treluce Studios with his wife and partner Monica Tremonto in 2002. They began experimenting with man-made light sources as a means to express an idea, an emotion or a visual harmony. It is now "a complete, insane fascination," explains Marcus. The work straddles that of interior design and contemporary art, placing the creations of Treluce Studios in line with the likes of artists Dan Flavin and James Turrell. Former projects include a cascading ribbon light fixture made of carbon fiber as well as the design of a little Lightbotz for Kidrobot, a company making limited edition art toys, and a playful collaboration with Nike.

Treluce Studio's latest creative work is something akin to "light scribbles", using custom-made seamless LEDs for an incredibly thin, lightweight line of white light. Other designs add a light source to a supporting structure, yet their innovation has the light be the structure in one fluid self-contained line. Meticulously hand-formed, these ribbons are Marcus Tremonto's drawn sketches, illuminated into three dimensions. Speaking of the new series, Tremonto explains the spark behind the process: "What I love most is that I have found the harmony of being able to draw the work in completion...to turn what is on the page into the actual object by my hand; it is incredibly beautiful to me." A process that goes to the essential, reducing steps so the mind is expressed through matter ever so cleanly. And it is beautiful, too, to those looking for more light in their lives, a source of interior light that says something with no words at all.

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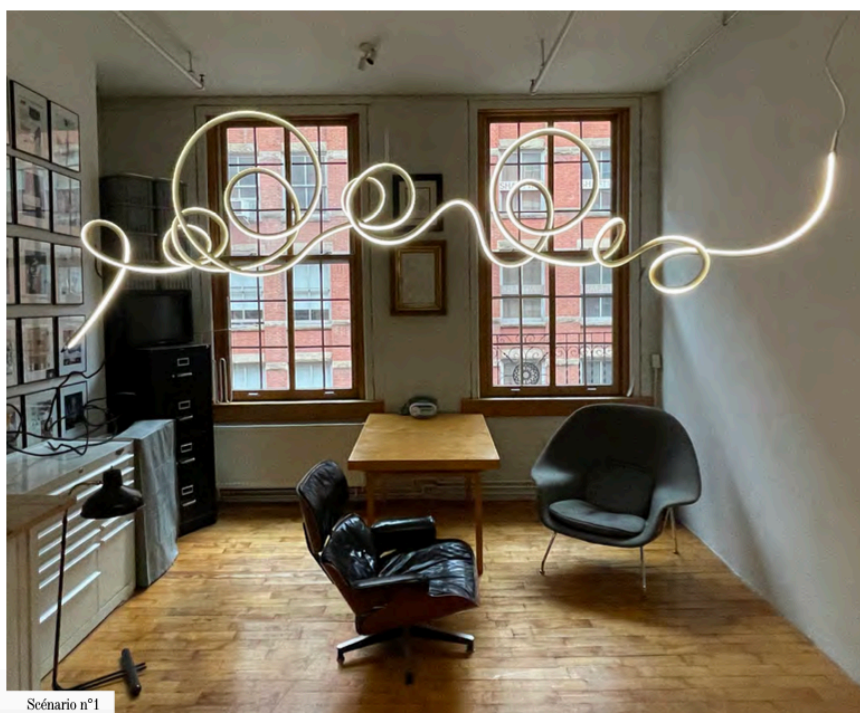
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Lumière Ombragée



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Since 1931, The Dorchester has stood tall amongst the world's most recognised and acclaimed hotels. Perfectly situated in the heart of Mayfair, The Dorchester is the legendary address where sophistication and inspiration thrive. For here we celebrate a culture of bold discovery with our incredible guests – in everything from the beautifully refined and spacious rooms and suites to the exceptional dining destinations ranging from three Michelin-starred Alain Ducasse to China Tang, The Grill and, of course, our legendary afternoon tea. Topped off with a spa of serene luxury, and elegant event spaces to suit every occasion, The Dorchester's remarkable legacy awaits.

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Situated in the heart of Mayfair, 45 Park Lane has 45 rooms, including suites all with a view of Hyde Park, and a Penthouse Suite with panoramic views of London. Highly contemporary in style, designed by the renowned architect Thierry Despont, 45 Park Lane showcases art throughout by British contemporary artists such as Damien Hirst, Sir Peter Blake and Brendan Neilland. Just steps away from The Dorchester, 45 Park Lane is dynamic in spirit with private dining, a Library, BAR 45 and CUT at 45 Park Lane, the debut restaurant in Europe for Wolfgang Puck, overseen by executive chef, Elliott Grover.

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COWORTH PARK



Coworth Park is a country house and spa that rewrites the rules. Set within 240 acres of beautiful English countryside parkland, just 45 minutes' drive from London and 20 minutes from Heathrow airport, it is also the only hotel within the UK with its own two polo fields. Other attractions include the Michelin-starred restaurant, Woven by Adam Smith, an equestrian centre and the ground breaking luxury Spa at Coworth Park. In addition to its 70-bedroom country house, the jewel in the crown amongst Coworth Park's 16 suites is The Dower House, a three-bedroom private residence that dates back to 1775.

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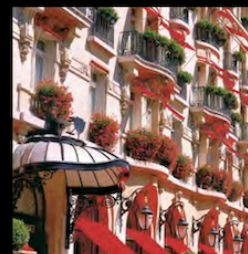
More than a luxury hotel, Le Meurice is a living work of art where the world's artists and thinkers have found inspiration. At the two Michelin-starred Restaurant le Meurice Alain Ducasse, refined, contemporary French dining offers a feast for the senses while at Restaurant Le Dalí, named after the hotel's regular guest Salvador Dalí, surrealist touches provide the backdrop for colourful seasonal cuisine. Award-winning pastry chef Cédric Grolet crafts masterpiece desserts which now have their own dedicated home at La Pâtisserie du Meurice par Cédric Grolet. For pampering, La Maison Valmont pour Le Meurice, with its boutique and Le Spa, is an exclusive sanctuary of calm and luxury.

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PLAZA ATHÉNÉE



Hôtel Plaza Athénée symbolises the spirit of Paris: a spectacular palace hotel perfectly positioned near the Eiffel Tower and River Seine, on the prestigious tree-lined avenue Montaigne, home of Parisian haute couture. Since its opening in 1913, the hotel has been the ultimate choice of celebrities wishing to experience the energy and elegance of this unique city, making it a truly iconic location. At the heart of the hotel is its peaceful Cour Jardin around which are arrayed its stylish rooms and suites with stunning views of the city. Dine at the recently opened Jean Imbert au Plaza Athénée for Michelin-starred French cuisine that is both classic and contemporary.

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HOTEL
PRINCIPE DI SAVOIA
MILANO



This is the true spirit of Milan, an exceptional experience of hospitality, comfort, style and tradition. Dominating Piazza della Repubblica as a landmark neo-classical building, the legendary Hotel Principe di Savoia has been the home of international travellers and cosmopolitan society since the 1920s. Discover the refurbished rooms and suites, be immersed in a world of wellbeing at the rooftop Club 10 Fitness & Beauty Center and, when evening falls, sip a classic Italian cocktail at the Principe Bar before enjoying the innovative cuisine of chef Alessandro Buffolino at Acanto Restaurant.

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HOTEL EDEN
ROMA



First opened in 1889, an authentic Roman spirit infuses radiant Hotel Eden, alive with the stories of a legendary city and the hospitality of its remarkable people. Offering the feel of an elegant Roman residence, this is your peaceful oasis where historic authenticity meets delicate luxury. Il Giardino Ristorante is the place for modern Italian cuisine and mesmerising views. Michelin-starred La Terrazza is where chef Fabio Ciervo brings innovation and flair to Italian fine dining. For drinks, Il Giardino Bar serves amazing cocktails and La Libreria is an inviting sitting room with a secret bar. For pampering, The Eden Spa is a warm, vaulted hideaway for time out to enjoy luxury treatments and discover our blow dry bar.

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The Beverly Hills Hotel
and Bungalows



Situated majestically in 12 acres of lush tropical gardens, The Beverly Hills Hotel has been affectionately nicknamed 'The Pink Palace' by those who cherish its charm. Guests will appreciate the recent comprehensive restoration programme that enhanced the vibrancy and relevance of the landmark hotel. Royalty, celebrities and world leaders enjoy the attentive service within its stylish rooms and its hide-away bungalows, with newly restored options, and two ultra-luxurious Presidential Bungalows. The sumptuous resort feeling is enhanced by the happening Polo Lounge, Bar Nineteen12, the spa and the legendary pool and cabanas.

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HOTEL Bel-Air
LOS ANGELES



The iconic Hotel Bel-Air is renowned for its intimate charm and internationally celebrated character. The property features the Hotel Bel-Air Spa and 103 guestrooms and suites, including 12 built into the hillside that provide sweeping canyon views. Master chef, Wolfgang Puck, oversees the hotel's entire food and beverage operation, sharing his world renowned take on contemporary California cuisine. With an illustrious history as a discreet estate for the rich and famous, Hotel Bel-Air harks back to the timeless elegance of 1950s Hollywood as a true living classic.

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