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Monica Galetti**

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Design notes

Dine in fine style this season by heeding these hot tips on all things design-led

FINGER ON THE PULSE

- **The coffee table tome**
Become an expert on Terence Conran's legendary body of work with the designer's new book, *My Life in Design* (Octopus, £30). Check out his style at the Design Museum's forthcoming Peasop restaurant, then stop the look with a Conran Shop swipe.
- **The awards to read**
Shortlisted venues at the SBDO International Design Excellence Awards (international.designexcellenceawards.com) include Cesson's Enako at One Aldwych, Conran's Garman Gymnasium, and Sustance's Jinju. Results are announced on 25 November.
- **The venue to visit**
New Marylebone restaurant Fucina boasts sculptural design by Andy Martin's AMA practice (Chotto Mate, Quo Vadis).

THE ART OF EATING

Five London restaurants with art at the heart

1. **Scarles Bar at The Rosewood** celebrates cartoonist Gerald Scarle
2. **Pharmacy 2** Damien Hirst and Mark Fox's revival of the arty (iconic) nineties eatery
3. **The Frog Statement** graffiti references Adam Handley's restaurant's East London location
4. **Translaid** The chicken-and-steak restaurant's basement CNS Gallery hosts 12 exhibitions a year



5. **Sketch** The bubblegum-pink main dining space is home to 239 original drawings by David Shrigley

THE AGENCY Kudos Design

This Finnish agency is a noted world leader when it comes to creating luxurious hospitality environments.

Company CEO, founder and architect Pia Litokorpi says that Kudos draws inspiration from nature's elements, driven by a desire to seamlessly integrate form and function.

Going underground

The subterranean location of Stockholm's Hotel With marks out the venue as a world first. Those lucky enough to take up residence in one of its 101 bedrooms will find themselves wandering corridors and public areas which mimic city streets - which, coupled with a scheme simulating natural light, serves to bring a sense of the outdoors in and help guests to navigate their hip underground environment.

Respect for nature

'Minimal Impact on local environment and wildlife' was the brief for Resorts World Bimini, located on the eponymous Bahamian island. Kudos rose to the challenge with verve, pioneering a pre-assembly construction process, and incorporating luxurious elements into the venue - including a rooftop infinity pool, a wine-storing glass wall, and a 75-lamp statement lighting feature.

Skys high

The Terrace at Dubai's Burj Al Arab is fast becoming as iconic as the building itself. Featuring custom-designed pools, a beach, cabanas and a restaurant, the space offers a unique 'over-water beach experience'.



BIMINI



HOTEL WITH

GET THE LOOK



1. Axor Citterio F black mixer tap, £570, hansgrohe.co.uk
2. Pendant light, £99, made.com
3. Hollywood mirror, £249.99, illuminated-mirrors.uk.com

THE VENUE Spring

At this Somerset House venue, the pristine food comes courtesy of Skye Gyngell; the design by her sister, Briony Fitzgerald.

Briony's brief was for 'a space that felt warm and inviting, a feminine experience to engage the guest; a welcome contrast to English restaurants of days gone by.'

The siblings achieved the vision by collaborating closely on every element of Spring's design, initially inspired by the beautiful natural light of architect Stuart Forbes's space. Light colours and layered textures helped create an uplifting venue which Briony calls 'a watercolour'; where the key descriptor had to be 'convivial'.

Realising the vision

The aesthetic reflects the building's history and Spring's simple, seasonal food, with natural materials like leather, marble, and timber afforded starring roles, and soft lighting from opaque 'Cloud' chandeliers.

Art plays its part, too. Upon entrance, Emma Peacock's 'Verre Eglomise' installation welcomes guests, whilst the dining room itself showcases Valeria Nascento's porcelain installation, 'Blossoms'. The walls of the enclosed atrium garden feature Jinny Bloom's Gunnara Leaf plastered panels.

A uniform approach

It was essential that staff uniforms didn't clash with Spring's overall scheme. Designers Egg and Trager Delaney were responsible for the fashion-led yet thoroughly practical outfits, designed around 'durability, comfort and aesthetic'. They didn't come cheap, but Briony is confident that they 'complete the picture' concerning the overall experience.



SPRING

GET THE LOOK

1. Jenson pendant light, £490, johnlewis.com
2. Charlotte's Locks, No.268, £395.00, farrow-ball.com
3. Faux areca palm leaf, £16.95, mulliez.com
4. Bonbecula Rosewood sofa, £1694, sofasandstuff.com

