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FOR AN'S ANNUAL LANDSCAPE ISSUE, WE'RE DELVING INTO WHAT MAKES PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OUTDOOR SPACES MEMORABLE AND ENJOYABLE. GREEN SPACES OFTEN MAKE A BUILDING'S FIRST IMPRESSION AND THESE STANDOUT LIGHTING, FURNITURE, AND PAVING PRODUCTS WILL HAVE A LASTING EFFECT.

BY BECCA BLASDEL

To see Dedon's AHNDA collection with designer Stephen Burks and other outdoor furnishings, turn to page 36.

BURJ AL ARAB HOTEL

DUBAI, UAE



This page: Dedon lounges offer sweeping views of the Arabian Gulf at the Burj Al Arab hotel in Dubai.

Opposite, right: Light-colored Dedon fabrics were used to enhance the building's sail-like shape.

When designing an outdoor patio space for the iconic Burj Al Arab hotel, Kudos Design wanted to honor the building's existing structure and unique shape. The project included the design of the restaurant, 32 cabanas, a fresh water pool with a private beach, and a stunning infinity pool that blends into the surrounding Arabian Gulf.

According to Pia Litokorpi, architect and partner at Kudos Design, the plan included "the fusion of elegant, contemporary structures and serene stretches of water, linked by a central walkway and lined on either side by

white sandy beaches and the exquisite cabanas. The Terrace gives a choice between shade and sun, offering contrasting areas of canopied shade and warm light, reminiscent of the gentle feeling of exploring a forest." Designers approached this project specifically with the movement of the sun in mind: "It helps to take full advantage of the location, making it easier to accentuate beautiful sunsets or sunrises and maximize the views," said Litokorpi. "While the views can be what makes a location special, they can also provide challenges."

ARCHITECT:

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OUTDOOR FURNITURE:

DEDON

RESTAURANT FURNITURE:

Bross

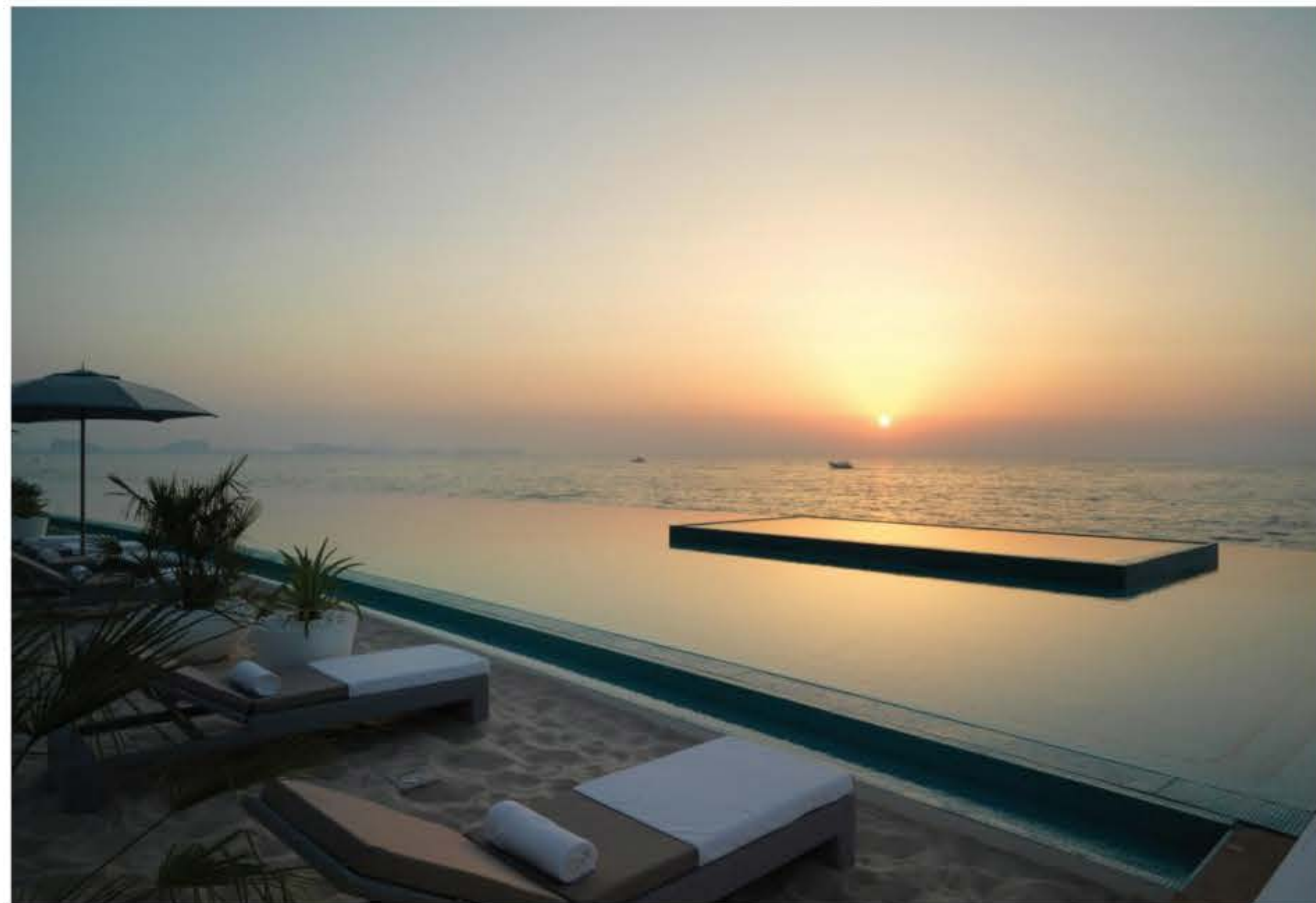
CABANA GLASS PARTITIONS AND DOORS:

Kaune

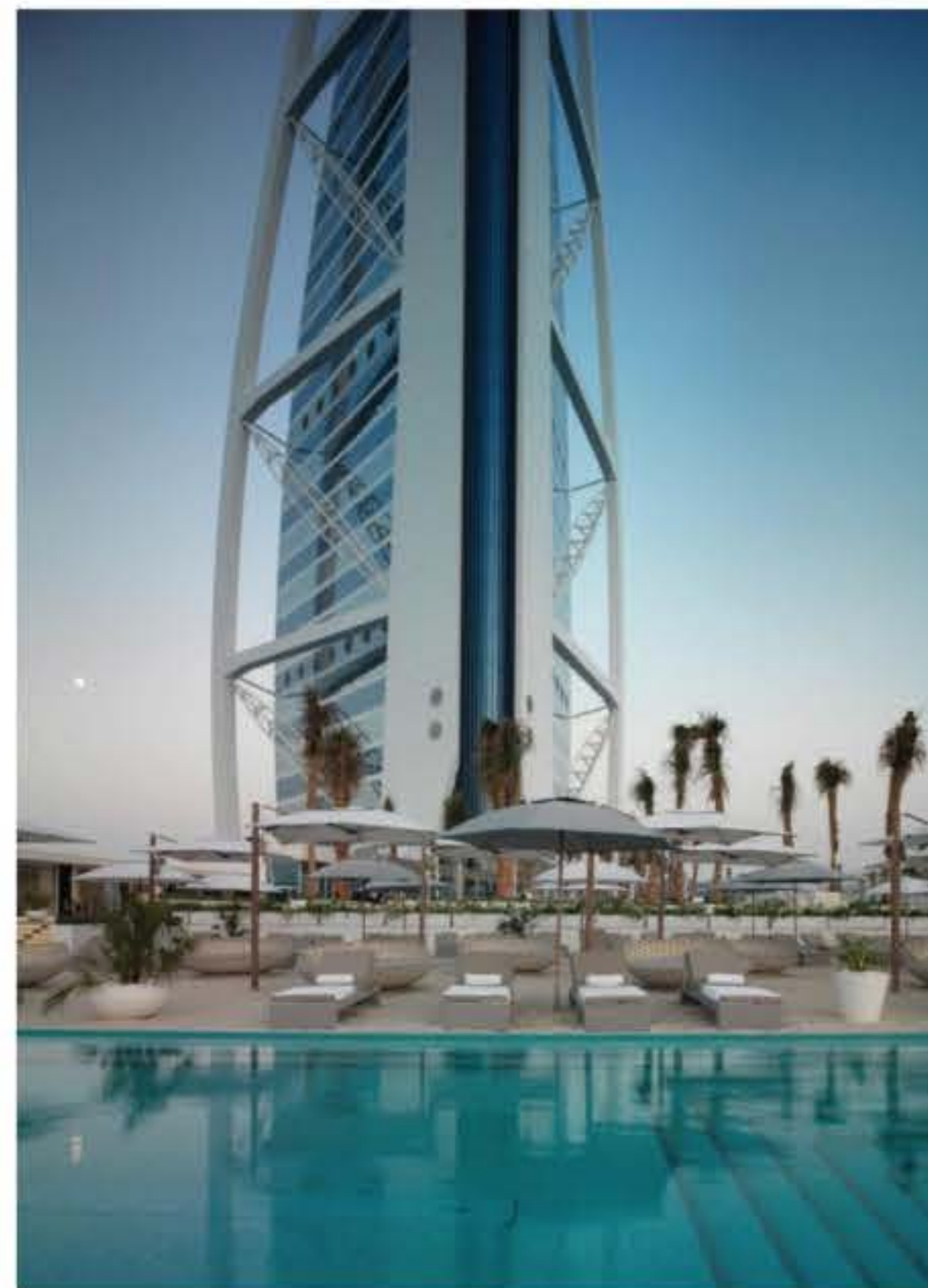
WALL AND FLOOR TILES:

Florim USA

Strong sun, waves, and wind were also considered when choosing furniture for all of the outdoor spaces. Kudos opted for Dedon furnishings, and tried to keep the color palette neutral to direct attention to the hypnotizing colors of the sea. "We especially enjoyed the possibilities provided by Dedon's customizable colors, which fit perfectly into the space," said Litokorpi. "Dedon makes durable outdoor furniture, so the light colors will keep their beauty even in the scorching sun."



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Top: Dedon barstools line the outdoor bars.

Middle: The view from above the hotel shows the unique shape of the island.

Left: Woven seats mirror the checkered canopy above.