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1. GRAPE EXPECTATIONS The Vine Hotel, Madeira

Nini Andrade Silva's design for Portugal's latest boutique hotel is all about uncluttered elegance. Her signature strip of black carpet leads to the light box reception and four floors of rooms colour-coded to reflect the seasons. Vine and grape imagery decorates ceilings above the beds, while a spa, rooftop pool and the 36o-degree bar offer respite after a hard day at the Dolce Vita shopping mall. **Guy Dittrich** 27A Rua dos Aranhas, Funchal, Madeira, tel: 351.2 9100 9000



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2. BEACH HIT Mondrian, Miami

Morgans Hotel Group's latest incarnation of its Mondrian brand, which opened just in time for last year's Art Basel Miami Beach, is a fairy-tale destination from Marcel Wanders. Whimsical Wanders touches such as giant, curvy pillars (like the turned legs in his 'New Antiques' range) lead inside to the bright Florida-white reception, which features graphic wallpaper, Maarten Baas 'Smoke' chairs and a sweeping staircase. The staircase divides the Asia de Cuba restaurant, with its communal table flanked by Jaime Hayon chairs, and the Sunset Lounge, which spills outdoors to the pool overlooking Biscayne Bay. Although the location on West Avenue is some blocks west of the action on South Beach's busy Collins Avenue, this is still set to be a party hotel - two fun red-andwhite carpeted lounging areas are adorned with throne-like chairs, piles of floor cushions, a sand pit for grown-ups and even what Wanders calls 'kissing corners'. Nick Vinson 1100 West Avenue, Miami Beach, www.mondrian-miami.com, tel: 1.305 514 1500. Rates: from \$295



3. METRO FARE Yoshi, Monte Carlo

Yoshi is the first Japanese restaurant from French chef Joël Robuchon.
Part of the principality's legendary Metropole hotel, it is the young sibling of the hotel's gourmet two-Michelin-star restaurant, Joël Robuchon. French designer Didier Gomez punctuated the apple green interiors of the high-ceilinged restaurant with ebony woods, stones and silks to create a cosv.

intimate but sophisticated space – the perfect place to take off your Gucci heels and wander into the beautiful Japanese garden created by Jacques Messin. So get yourself the 'Sayori' sake with a selection of soft crab maki and rock lobster sashimi. Sara Henrichs

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