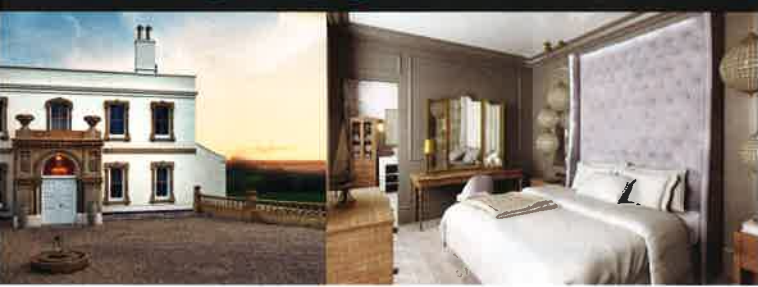




# Hotel news



Clockwise from top left: poolside in Portugal; Anantara's fresh design; The Shore Club sits amid tropical greenery; the resort on Long Bay Beach; its cool interiors; Dubai's skyline from Dukes; Lymestone Manor; its plush rooms

This month, we're celebrating one of the UK's most highly anticipated openings of the year as **Lymestone Manor** has flung open its doors on Devon's Jurassic Coast. It's the brainchild of chef Michael Caines, who is shaking up the staid country hotel scene with his modern take on a rural retreat. The Grade II-listed Georgian manor house is set within 11ha of gardens and parkland which eases its way down to the foreshore of the River Exe. When it comes to the interiors, the Meraki Design team has spared no expense. Expect a delightful flow of heritage tones across the 21 individually designed bedrooms: chalky navy, turtledove-meets-slate grey and delicate puffs of lilac are lifted by glitzy chandeliers, antique mirrors, hand-painted artwork, ash wood, freestanding copper baths and gold accents. Each room is named after one of the many birds that call the estuary home: Kingfisher boasts flashes of blue in the fireplace tiling and bed, the Heron Suite offers side-by-side slipper tubs and the Greenfinch has a large private garden. There are three stylish dining rooms, and after tucking into Caines's innovative menu, which features Cornish salt cod with samphire and chorizo, perfectly pink fillet of beef with braised cheek and a hot pistachio soufflé for dessert, we rather think the Gannet Suite may suit us best. [lymstonemanor.co.uk](http://lymstonemanor.co.uk)

As summer heats up, we're catching a ride on Portugal's warm breezes to the Algarve and Anantara Vilamoura [vilamoura.anantara.com](http://vilamoura.anantara.com). It's the first European hotel for the Thai group and it's teeing off nicely. Close to Faro, 280 suites overlook the fairways of the Arnold Palmer-designed Oceânico Victoria golf course. Fresh interiors feature local art and there are five pools to enjoy. If it's idyllic beach life you're after, **The Shore Club** [theshoreclubtc.com](http://theshoreclubtc.com) on Turks and Caicos Islands is a surefire hit. The coastal dream sits on an 250m stretch of Long Bay Beach on Providenciales. It's the first development in the area, comprising two low-slung buildings enveloped by tropical plant life. Think all out blue and crisp white when it comes to design across the 148 rooms and villas. **Dukes Dubai** [dukesdubai.com](http://dukesdubai.com) is bringing a Brit hit to the Middle East. This hot property on the Palm has 279 rooms and 227 apartments over 15 floors. Bedrooms are straight out of Mayfair, with a classic colour palette, heavy wood, cream leather bedheads and Floris amenities. Be sure to order cocktails next to the infinity pool for picture-perfect sunsets across the Arabian Gulf to the marina before trying out the Great British Restaurant.

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