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Is This the Most Extravagant Hotel Suite in Europe?



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The new Hotel Château du Grand-Lucé is meant to be the Loire Valley's most opulent property.

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With so many stunning hotels scattered throughout [Europe](#), it's hard to imagine that there's one that beats the rest. But, the new [Hotel Château du Grand-Lucé](#) in the village of Le Grand-Lucé certainly is trying. The former country home of the Baron Jacques Pineau de Viennay just unveiled the final details of its extensive restoration revealing perhaps the most extravagant suite in the entire continent.

Appropriately named The Baron Suite, the over-the-top room features 17-foot-tall ceilings, a king bed, Versailles-patterned oak floors, and breathtaking views of the formal gardens. It's outfitted with a curated art collection—framed in gold and French fabrics and furnishings are sprawled throughout. And there are plenty of places to lounge, including a sitting room and marble bathroom, which also boasts garden views. What's more is the suite doesn't have just one entrance, but rather it has three, including a private entrance directly from the west garden.



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But, the true bucket list factor has to be the private [library](#) in the suite called Salon Chinois. It has canvas-covered walls painted in the Chinoiserie style by artist Jean-Baptiste Pillement. Other than this suite, his work can only be found at the Petit Trianon, Marie Antoinette's private garden palace at Versailles, the [Louvre](#) in Paris, and the National Gallery in Washington D.C.



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And, as you can imagine, the rest of the property is luxurious as well. There are 17 guest rooms in total, including two apartments complete with private kitchens and living spaces, all designed in 18th-century splendor. Guests are also treated to modern amenities such as historic French brand Buly 1803 bath and beauty products, French restaurant Le Lucé—helmed by renowned chef Maxime Thomas—a bar, spa, gym, heated pool, lake, bocce ball court, croquet, and more. A 24-hour concierge is also available to coordinate on- and off-property activities.



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“Voltaire, Mozart, Diderot, and Rousseau were guests at the Château, and I’m humbled when I look out from their rooms to the same panorama,” said CEO and Founder Marcy Holthus in a statement. “I’m looking forward to sharing this celebrated historic property with discerning travelers seeking an unrivaled, authentic experience in one of the most beautiful settings in France.”

The best part of all? All of this French neoclassical grandeur is located just a short 55-minute train ride from central [Paris](#).