



## AMANGIRI, UTAH, USA

No 'best of' list would be complete without an entry for this otherworldly paradise. Set in rocky desert, among some of the most dramatic surroundings Earth can muster, Amangiri is a bona fide traveller's pilgrimage. Guests visit for the isolation and exceptional architecture – an ambitious collaboration between Rick Joy, Wendell Burnette and Marwan Al-Sayed that interprets the traditional lines of Native American building in an effortless, contemporary voice. There are myriad things to do here, from yoga to hiking, but you'll do none of them. Just sit back by that infamous pool, gaze at the landscape beyond, and breathe. Deeply. Rooms from £1,500, [aman.com](https://aman.com)

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## CHATEAU DU GRAND LUCE, LOIRE VALLEY, FRANCE

A debuting lady but a future grande dame, this hotel occupies an 18th-century chateau that is one of the most exquisite examples of neoclassical architecture in France. The decor is sympathetic to the building's opulent character but introduces comfort and convenience, too. Feel like Marie Antoinette by the garden's perfect round pool. Rooms from £450, [chateaugrandluce.com](http://chateaugrandluce.com)



## SINGITA SWENI LODGE, SOUTH AFRICA

Following a major redecoration, Singita Sweni is now the country's most dazzling safari lodge. The building is all glass walls, but has been softened with colour, pattern, print and texture. There are infinity lap pools, a superb restaurant, outdoor showers and stargazing decks. And, of course, game drives and guided walking safaris in Kruger National Park. Rooms from £1,865, [singita.com](http://singita.com) →