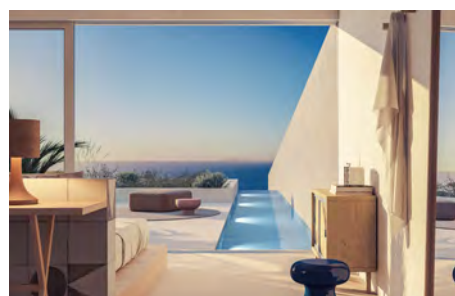
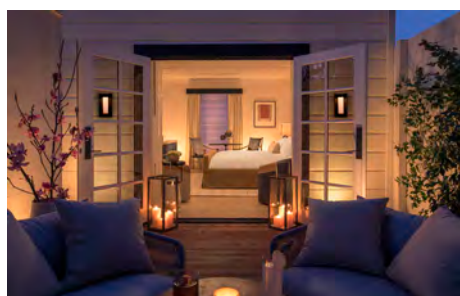
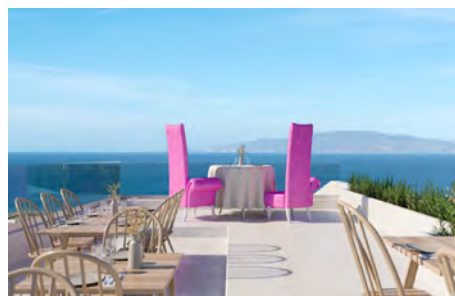
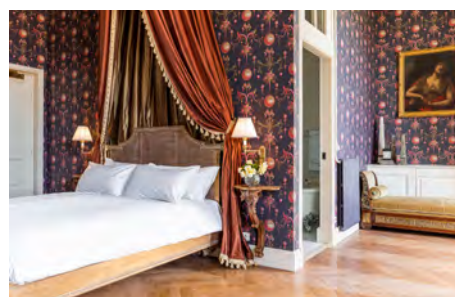


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HOTEL CHATEAU
LOIRE VALLEY, FRANCE



With its unrivaled luxury and 18th-century splendor, the design-driven, 17-room Château is one of the finest remaining examples of French neoclassical architecture. Located just a short 55-minute train ride from central Paris, the destination-changing **Hotel Château** in the village of Le Grand-Lucé raises the bar in luxury, bringing sophistication and a cosmopolitan je ne sais quoi to the Loire Valley. The former country home of the Baron Jacques Pineau de Viennay, the Château has been returned to its 18th-century splendor after a careful private restoration under the guidance of the French government.

One of the finest remaining examples of French neoclassical architecture to date, serving as a stunning tribute to its noble provenance and rich history, the Château offers elevated French style and elegance throughout. The 45,000-square-foot

Hotel Château features 17 rooms and suites, a ballroom, authentic French restaurant Le Lucé, a bar, spa and fitness salon, an outdoor pool and classic French gardens.

The Pilot Hotels design team, spearheaded by Paul and Shannon Wehsener of Paul Allen Design, embraced the opulent chic standard set by Pineau de Viennay in 1764. They reimaged and repurposed the majesty of the interiors, crafting the 17 sumptuous rooms and suites and grand living spaces of the Hotel Château, much as they previously did with Holthus to reimagine and debut her premiere project, the historic Washington School House Hotel in Park City, Utah.

The Château features limestone and French white oak floors throughout and walls, painted in shades of authenticity, adorned with original boiserie. This stunning back-

drop is layered with crystal chandeliers, sconces, fine art and furnishings sourced from several centuries; fine Persian rugs; and custom fabrics by traditional and innovative French design masters alike, from Pierre Frey and Nobilis to Christian Lacroix and Jean Paul Gaultier – all juxtaposed in perfect proportions of scale and symmetry, style and design.

Hotel Château features 17 guestrooms, including two apartments complete with private kitchens and living spaces, all designed in homage to the style, luxury and splendor first favored by Pineau de Viennay and each complemented with an abundance of historic French brand Buly 1803 bath and beauty products. The property comfortably sleeps, 36-42 adults.

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