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The Best New Hotels to Visit in 2022

Now that you've mentally checked out of 2021, it's time to check in to 2022's roster of unmissable new openings. From hotel-industry heavyweights to boutique boltholes, we've scanned dozens of new properties worth flying for to bring you this definitive best-of list.

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The hot new hotels to watch in 2022



HOTEL

Bethlen Estates

Transylvania

Romania is firmly on our 2022 watch list, and the opening of [Bethlen Estates](#) has us making a beeline for [Transylvania](#). The village of Cris has been in the Bethlen family - who built its imposing medieval castle - for over 800 years, and the plan to open up this lush woodland area to visitors was in the works for quite some time. Mother-and-son duo Gladys and Nikolaus Bethlen are running the show, and rumour has it that leaving is near impossible once you check in. The property comprises a series of renovated Saxon cottages, a manor house and other stylishly renovated dwellings (think kilim rugs, local crafts and original wooden beams). Meals happen in the cosy central barn, or in your individual residence, and the Transylvanian wine tastings that take place in the scenic cellar are unmissable. Want to venture further afield and experience the untouched beauty and staggering biodiversity of the Transylvanian countryside? Travel company [Beyond Dracula](#) is the best in the business when it comes to bespoke itineraries offering off-grid experiences.

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