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Six Senses unveils Taoist-themed spa in China

Six Senses has opened its first Chinese resort, Qing Cheng Mountain, in the historic and cultural setting of Chengdu.

The hotel is the largest Six Senses to date, with 102 suites and 11 villas, and is the seventh Six Senses Resort, with an eighth resort due to open in Douro Valley next month and several others in the pipeline.

The resort will include a 10-treatment room, 18,400sq ft (1,710sq m) Six Senses Spa with waterfall and garden views, set to open next month. The spa will draw on the area's Taoist roots, incorporating traditional Chinese medicine elements into its treatments.

Six Senses has created a Daoyin Tao massage as well as three 'journeys' designed



The new Qing Cheng Mountain spa will draw on the Chengdu's Taoist roots

specifically for the new spa. The Six Senses spa will use Amala as a product house.

"Tao, meaning 'the Way', considers all things to be unified and connected, just as Six Senses' overall vision is 'reconnection' – achieving

harmony with nature, doing good, and always striving for self-development," the company said.

Anna Bjurstam, vice president of spas and wellness for Six Senses, said: "We are excited about the opening of Six Senses Spa Qing Cheng Mountain as it not only offers a stunning location, but a sanctuary away from the hustle and bustle of modern city life."

Designed by Bangkok-based Habita Architects, the resort is set at the gateway to the Qing Cheng Mountains,

in the homeland of the giant panda and where the Silk Road began. It has been created to complement the UNESCO World Heritage & Natural Cultural site at nearby Dujiangyan. *Details: http://lei.sr?a=b4d7S_B*

Owners of FRHI Hotels reportedly poised to sell

The owners of FRHI Hotels & Resorts, which includes Saudi Prince al-Waleed bin Talal's Kingdom Holding Company and a Quatari government fund, are looking to sell, according to reports.

FRHI brands include Fairmont, Raffles and Swissotel; the company operates 116 hotels across 34 countries with almost 44,000 bedrooms.

Last week, *Wall Street Journal* reported that a sale was imminent, citing "people familiar with the matter."

A spokesperson for FRHI declined to comment on the reports when contacted by *Spa Opportunities*.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=B7M5N_S

De Niro creating resort on Barbuda

Film star Robert De Niro is to develop a US\$250m (€223m, £158.8m) hotel and spa resort in Barbuda, the lesser known twin island of Antigua, according to the *Caribbean Journal*.

The project includes the refurbishment and expansion of K-Club, a resort which became famous in the 90s as a hideaway for Princess Diana but closed eight years ago.

The newspaper says De Niro is partnering with Australian media mogul James Packer on the deal. Packer also owns the Crowns Resorts which has three major destinations with multiple spas: one in Melbourne, Perth and the City of Dreams resort in Macau, China.

De Niro is no stranger to the leisure industry either. He co-owns The Greenwich hotel and Shibui Spa in New York and is a



Robert De Niro is developing a resort in Barbuda

shareholder in a number of Nobu facilities, including the first Nobu Hotel at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas where Nobu has created a spa treatment menu at the Qua Baths & Spa.

De Niro, along with partners chef Nobu Matsuhisa Hollywood producer Meir Teper, also recently opened the Nobu Hotel in Manila. *Details: http://lei.sr?a=U4Y7e_S*

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Shangri-La at the Fort opens Q4

Shangri-La is opening a mixed-use development in Manila, Philippines, which is set to become one of the tallest buildings in the country at 250m (820ft). Opening in Q4 this year, the Shangri-La at the Fort will include a hotel and residences; Horizon Homes, a collection of customised homes on the highest floors; retail shops; and Kerry Sports Manila, a two-floor, 10,000sq (107,639sq ft) lifestyle and leisure club that will include a spa.

While details of the spa are yet to be finalised, it will feature nine treatment rooms and be set in an impressive fitness and wellness complex. The 10,000sq ft Kerry Sports Manila will include an NBA-grade indoor basketball court, two tennis courts, two squash courts, an outdoor lap pool, gym facilities, exercise studios, and Adventure Zone – a multi-level indoor playground for children that includes party rooms.

Located in the heart of Bonifacio Global City, an “emerging contemporary lifestyle district” in the centre of Manila, the Shangri-La at the Fort is also a LEED gold-certified property. The property will include 576 bedrooms as well as 97 one-, two- or three-bedroom residences, two ballrooms, 19 multi-function rooms and seven dining options.

Details http://lei.sr?a=v4F8T_S



The Shangri-La at the Fort will be 250m (820ft) tall

New St. Regis coming to the Maldives

Starwood Hotels & Resorts is bringing its St. Regis brand to the Maldives with the St. Regis Vommuli Resort, which is set to open in 2016.

Starwood has signed an agreement with Residency Resorts Malé Private, part of the Chennai-based property developer, Appaswamy Group, to open the St. Regis brand on the private Vommuli Island in the Dhaalu Atoll.

“This incredible addition to the St. Regis portfolio has been conceived in perfect harmony with the island’s lush vegetation and pristine lagoon,” said Jim Petrus, global brand leader for St. Regis Hotels & Resorts.

A spa with six treatment rooms is planned, and the resort will also include an infinity swimming pool, fitness centre, yoga space, dive and activity centre, and three restaurants.

The St. Regis Vommuli Resort will be located on a 20-acre private atoll and will feature 77 private villas with a contemporary



The St. Regis Vommuli Resort will be located on a 20-acre private atoll

design scheme inspired by the island’s natural materials and colour palette.

Ravi Appasamy, managing director of Residency Resorts Malé Private, described the hotel as “marrying the bespoke service of the St. Regis brand with the ‘barefoot luxury’ mentality of the Maldives.”

Details: http://lei.sr?a=h9K3V_B



East meets west at Keemala Spa

The five-star Keemala resort, which will open in Phuket in October 2015, has been designed using storytelling to create its own folklore. The designers have created a fictitious tale of ancient Phuket settlers from four different clans to underpin the design.

The development will include 38 cottages, tent villas, "bird's nest" villas, and seemingly suspended treehouse villas – all with private pools.

Owned and operated by the Sonnam family and spearheaded by executive director Tanapong 'Note' Sonnam and

his sister, Samornpun 'Tarn' Sonnam, who is executive director of marketing, the Keemala will include an eight-room Mala spa, built at a cost of 18 million Thai baht (approximately US\$534,000, €475,500, £345,000).

The four different villa types, designed by Thailand-based Architect Space, with interiors by Pisit Aongskultong of Pisud Design Company, will reflect the skills and way of life of each of the four fictitious clans.



The Mala Spa at Keemala features eight treatment rooms

The Mala Spa at Keemala will be run in-house by Dr Cherisse Yang, a wellness consultant who has worked in southeast Asia and New Zealand. It will feature eight treatment rooms and use Voya and SpaRitual products.

"Treatments...are being meticulously designed to utilise long-gone techniques," said Yang. Options include raindrop therapy, Tsi Nei Tsang, wellness consultation, and more.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=X5d4M_B

Swimming holes inspire at Hyatt

The 314-bedroom Grand Hyatt Playa del Carmen opened recently on the Riviera Maya in Mexico, along with the property's Cenote Spa, which is inspired by the local freshwater swimming holes of the same name.

The cenotes in the surrounding areas are geological rock formations and many consider them to be energy centres, as their waters contain high levels of minerals and nutrients.

The 6,000sq ft (557sq m) Cenote Spa, designed by architect Javier Sordo Maladeno and New York-based design and architecture company Rockwell Group, features eight treatment rooms, including two double suites.

The range of treatments includes a selection of massages, facials, body wraps, sun replenishing treatments, body treatments such as detox wraps and body scrubs, manicures, pedicures, reflexology, hair treatments and waxing. Skin care is from Barcelona-based Natura Bisse.

The resort is billed as an "urban beach hotel" with contemporary and Mayan inspiration.

Luis Aguilar, spa manager for the Cenote Spa, described the spa as "a relaxed, peaceful and serene environment which allows guests to re-energise and recuperate."

Details: http://lei.sr?a=z8q9z_B



The Cenote Spa is inspired by the locally found freshwater swimming holes of the same name

Spafinder launches first Global Wellness Travel Guide

Spafinder Wellness 365 has published its first *Global Wellness Travel Guide*, a directory of international wellness properties designed to help travel professionals meet the demand for healthier travel options.

The Guide offers resources to assist agents in booking wellness travel, and showcases profiles of featured properties, including travel offerings across 17 categories, from culinary and nutrition programmes to adventure activities. A digital version is available at www.spafinder.com/wtg.

Featuring snapshots of international wellness properties as well as a "wellness spotlight" section, the guide is organised by region. It also includes spa and wellness etiquette tips, wellness travel trends, a glossary, and info on the winners of the Spafinder Wellness 365 Wellness Travel Awards.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=S5j5Y_Bw



The Little River Tribal Council at work

Little River Casino Resort breaks ground for new spa

Little River Casino Resort, run by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, is renovating and expanding its 292-bedroom Michigan property to include a full-service spa and pool. Details of the spa are not yet decided, but the tribe conducted a ground blessing ceremony on 5 June, followed by an official groundbreaking on 15 June.

Minneapolis-based Cunningham Group Architecture are designing the project, and construction is estimated to be completed around spring of 2016.

"Many of our changes are based on comments that our guests have made about features they'd like to see," said Ron Pete, general manager of the property.

Currently in its 15th year of operation, Little River Casino Resort features 1,500 slot machines, as well as table games and three restaurants. The tribe last expanded the resort in 2007, adding both an event centre and a winter garden.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=s5D6N_S

Austrian university to offer MBA in spa management

FH Joanneum Bad Gleichenberg in Austria is offering a part-time MBA course in International Hospitality and Spa Management beginning this October.

The programme promises to focus “on the practical requirements at the interface between hotel and spa management” and is designed both for those currently working in the industry and those planning to. The part-time programme is taught in English and requires two weeks of attendance per semester, followed by extensive e-learning components. The entire course takes four semesters and costs €3,500 per semester.

Course topics include spa management, hospitality management, strategic and operative management, international law, social media marketing, intercultural communication case studies and more.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=U9N2H_B



Attitudes towards sustainable travel are evolving

Study shows sustainable travel is on the rise globally

More than half (52 per cent) of all global travellers report that they are likely to choose a destination based on its social or environmental impact in 2015, a new survey from Booking.com has revealed.

The survey of 32,000 travellers from 16 countries suggests that attitudes towards sustainable travel are evolving, but that travellers are also looking for luxury while reducing their carbon footprints.

Those respondents who were concerned with sustainable travel were also 50 per cent more likely to plan to book more luxury accommodations in 2015 than in 2014, the survey found, and three times more likely to want to stay in ‘green’ accommodations.

“Sustainable travel is more than just ‘going green’ – it’s also about helping to support and retain local cultures, economies and environments while traveling,” said Todd Dunlap, managing director, Americas, for Booking.com.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=z2V3C_B

Dallas will be home to Virgin's 4th hotel

Virgin Hotels has announced plans to open a 200-bedroom hotel in the Design District of Dallas, Texas, in 2018.

The development will be a new build located within 33 acres (133,500sq m) that developer Dunhill Partners and its founder, Bill Hutchinson, acquired in 2014. Included will be multiple dining options, a rooftop terrace with a pool, gym and spa, plus numerous meeting spaces. The neighbourhood includes furniture showrooms, art galleries, museums, antique shops, restaurants and shopping.

The property, which will be the company's fourth branded hotel, will be managed by Virgin and developed by Dunhill Partners, Vinculum Partners and The Crosland Group.

“We're ecstatic to be a part of the new fabric of the Dallas Design District, and play a role in continuation of the neighbourhood's growth,” said Raul Leal, Virgin Hotels CEO. “With chic stores, eclectic galleries and upscale restaurants, we expect Virgin Hotels Dallas to move into the neighbourhood seamlessly, as its



Virgin will open a hotel and spa in Dallas, Texas in 2018

aesthetic and offerings will attract the growing local creative class and business travellers that will call the Design District home.”

Virgin Hotels opened its first location in Chicago earlier this year, and just last month, debuted the brand's first spa there. Nashville and New York are slated to open next.

The company said it is continuing to explore properties in cities such as Boston, Los Angeles, Miami, Austin, Seattle, San Francisco, Washington D.C. and London.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=U9k4a_B

Historic Grain Silo to include hotel & spa

The Royal Portfolio is adding a fifth property, The Silo, to its range of exclusive hotels, lodges and villas in South Africa. The Silo, so named because it is being built in the grain elevator portion of the historic Grain Silo Complex, will be situated above what is set to become the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa (MOCAA) in Cape Town.

The Silo will have 28 bedrooms, as well as a spa, gym, bar, restaurant, rooftop swimming pool and champagne bar, and is set to open in 2016. As with all Royal Portfolio properties, the spa will be run in-house.

Industrial designer Thomas Heatherwick of Heatherwick Studio, London is heading up the entire transformation of the historic Grain Silo Complex for the V&A Waterfront, including the Zeitz Museum and The Silo.

Heatherwick said that “from the outside, the greatest change to the grain silo's monumental



The Silo is being built in the grain elevator of the Grain Silo Complex

structure will be the addition of pillowed glazing panels, inserted into the existing geometry of the upper floors, which will bulge outward as if gently inflated. By night, this will transform the building into a glowing lantern or beacon in the harbour.”

Located on the V&A Waterfront, The Silo will occupy six floors above the MOCAA.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=H2c3W_S

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It was with great pleasure that I opened the 63rd CIDESCO World Congress and Exhibition hosted by the National CIDESCO Section South Africa. National Section President Tina Scholtz together with Honorary President Helene Weber-Bramwell and their team of professionals gave us a week of unforgettable events.

Bringing together our CIDESCO membership from all four corners of the world, we had five days of motivational member meetings, inspirational talks from world experts and our annual beauty exhibition and make-up competition. Our mission, as always, to raise standards within the beauty industry on a global basis through education and training.

The theme for this year's event was 'Skin is Alive' and we were privileged to listen to some of the world's leading somatologists and their ability to work with the skin. Renowned doctors and key skin and body experts were invited to provide their valuable insight on beauty-related topics as well as medical aesthetic disciplines. Exhibitors got to showcase the latest beauty technologies, services, techniques and treatments to CIDESCO members and beauty industry decision makers in South Africa, in a forum dedicated to educational excellence.

The official CIDESCO Meetings started with a full day allocated to schools, examiners and sections which was followed by a half day especially for examiners only.

At our annual general assembly, we had an open forum for the delegates along with updates on school rules, statutes, and trademark rules where decisions were made accordingly. Schools were also advised on the new CIDESCO diplomas, which already had been taken up by many members, helping them to expand and develop their businesses further.

The program was exceptionally well received. There were also business advisors speaking on preparing students for the workplace and the stepping stones to success.

We are looking forward to celebrating our 70th Anniversary at the next CIDESCO World Congress in Ireland on 22 - 26 September 2016.

Starwood building first Myanmar hotel

Starwood Hotels & Resorts is making its debut in Myanmar with the Sheraton Yangon Hotel. The 375-bedroom property will include a Shine Spa along with three dining venues, a swimming pool, and a fitness centre.

Scheduled to open in 2017, the Sheraton Yangon Hotel follows the announcements of several pipeline hotels for Starwood in the region, including Sheraton Danang Resort, Four Points by Sheraton Danang in Vietnam, The Westin Manila Sonata Place in the Philippines, and Four Points by Sheraton Bali, Kuta in Indonesia.

"Touted as Asia's final frontier, Myanmar presents immense potential for rapid growth and we are excited to share our engaging brand programming and innovative social spaces with the burgeoning nation," said Lothar Pehl, senior vice president, operation and global initiatives for Starwood Hotels & Resorts Asia Pacific.



The Sheraton Yangon is Starwood's first foray into Myanmar

"Sheraton already has a strong footprint across Southeast Asia and the signing of Sheraton Yangon Hotel signals the next great international expansion opportunity," said Rajit Sukumaran, Senior Vice President, Acquisitions and Development, Starwood Hotels & Resorts Asia Pacific.

Details of the spa at the Yangon Hotel are expected to be released in the near future.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=V2z3m_S

Avalon Hotel's spa is luxuriously 'earthy'

The historic 67-bedroom Avalon Palm Springs in California has just opened a new six-room, 2,000sq ft (186sq m) Estrella spa by American Medicinal Arts, complete with moon rituals, build-your-own herbal oils, and Binaural Sound technology.

While the hotel has had a spa before, American Medicinal Arts has transformed the once traditional spa to an earthy, spiritually themed venue through a redesign of the public spaces as well as an updated spa menu that aims "to fully engage and integrate your body, mind and soul."

Speaking to *Spa Opportunities*, Jason Harler, founder of American Medicinal Arts and partner for Estrella Spa, described the spa as "A refuge and sanctuary for holistic indulgence, play, learning, growth and comfort" and "A public celebration of people coming together to eat, dance, heal and share."

American Medicinal Arts uses its own blends of herb-infused oils, butters and



Jason Harler, founder of American Medicinal Arts

essential oils, blended by hand during each guest's treatment based on their personal wellness needs. American Medicinal Arts has created a line of amenities for Estrella Spa, and the spa also uses the Dr Alkatis skincare line for some of its facials.

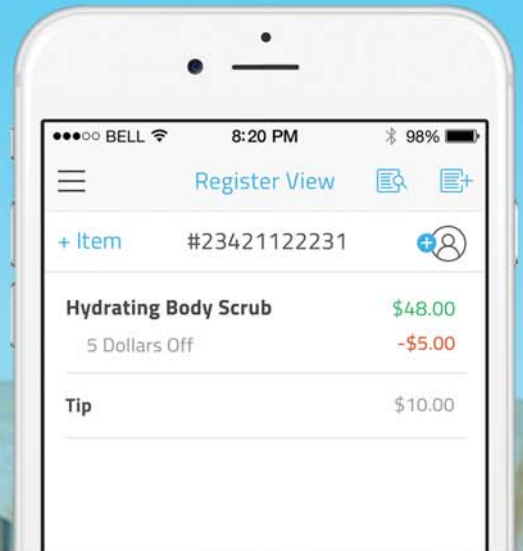
"We believe that the future of luxury is earthy," said Joshua Katz, creative director for Proper Hospitality, the hotel group that manages Avalon Hotels.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=a5F5J_S



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Expected to be a yearly occurrence, the aim of this association-organised event is to build African spa concepts, develop education and spas in Africa and discuss spa standards in the region. There will also be a spa design competition. In addition to other speakers, Magatte Wade, founder and CEO of Tioissan – an upmarket skincare range created using Senegalese recipes – will discuss the branding of high end luxury products at this conference.

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www.spaassociationofafrica.com**9-11 September 2015****SpaChina Summit and SpaChina Awards**

The Ritz-Carlton, Tianjin

The three-day event provides a unique and effective communication platform for top people relevant to or interested in China's spa industry. This is the eighth Summit and sixth edition of the industry awards.

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www.spachina.com**12-15 September 2015****SPATEC Middle East**

The Westin Mina Seyahi Beach Resort & Marina, Dubai

During the two-day event, spa owners, operators, directors and suppliers network during dinners and carry out a series of 20-minute one-to-one business meetings. Both buyers and suppliers get to choose who they would like to meet with and these appointments are scheduled.

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www.spatecme.com**15-17 September 2015****COSMEETING**

Paris Expo Porte de Versailles, France

The 13th annual edition of this industry event will offer international suppliers and buyers the opportunity to attend key speeches by experts, thematic exhibition areas, and competitions. In 2014, the event attracted 7,300 visitors across the three days – 65 per cent of which were from French companies and 35 per cent were international.

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The first CSPA is in San Juan

**12-15 July 2015****Caribbean Spa Association Summit**

La Concha Renaissance Resort, San Juan, Puerto Rico

Spa managers, owners and suppliers are invited to the first Caribbean Spa Association (CSPA) Summit to

exchange ideas and network with leaders in the industry. Suppliers will meet with a minimum of 15 regional operators in one-on-one meetings and a number of small focus groups.

Email: info@caribbeanspaa.comwww.caribbeanspaa.com**19 September 2015****Seven Star Global Luxury Awards**

Trans Resort Bali, Kerobokan, Indonesia
Dubbed "The Oscars of Luxury," voting for these awards ran from February to 15 June, and the results will be announced at the gala. Last year's winners featured companies such as Turkish Airlines, The Regency Kuwait, ITC Hotel Group, and Villa Padierna Palace Hotel.
www.sevenstaraward.com

24-26 September 2015**World Spa & Well-being Convention**

Impact Exhibition & Convention

Centre, Bangkok, Thailand

The Thai Spa Association organises the WSWC, which is now in its fourth year. It comprises a three-day exhibition, a two-night congress and an awards night. This year's event will be hosted alongside the second edition of Beyond Beauty ASEAN Bangkok in order to maximise the number of wellness-focused attendees.

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www.worldspawellbeing.com**26-30 September 2015****Green Spa Network Congress**

Tenaya Lodge, California, US

Eco-minded spa professionals come together to find out about the latest sustainability innovations and issues in the industry. The event is run by the Green Spa Network. Congress attendees will include day, resort and destination spa operators, product companies, as well as 'greening' and wellness experts.

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www.greenspanetwork.org**27-30 September 2015****SPATEC Fall North America**

Omni La Costa Resort & Spa, California, US
SPATEC Fall 2015 will bring together spa operators of medium-to-large hotel resort, destination, athletic, medical and day spas to meet with key domestic and international suppliers to participate in a series of one-on-one meetings over two dedicated business days.

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Dusit opening new-build resort in Guam

Bangkok-based Dusit International is opening Guam's first newly built resort since 1999 – the Dusit Thani Guam Resort.

Situated on Tumon Bay, the 30-floor beachfront resort is the tallest building on the island, and will soft-open this month with about half of its 419 bedrooms and suites coming into use.

The resort will house a 10-treatment room Devarana Spa, Dusit's signature spa concept, which is set to launch at the grand opening later this year. Hydrothermal facilities at the spa will include steam, sauna, a vitality pool and vichy shower room.

Morakot Suchutimanon, corporate director of Devarana Spa, said the spa will “draw on authentic Thai healing therapies and western disciplines to offer a host of ‘east meets west’ treatments, while using world-class products, fresh Thai herbs and indigenous ingredients on the island to create inspiring locally influenced treatments.”



The Dusit Thani Guam Resort is the tallest building on the island

Devarana Spa's full-range of massages and treatments will be available, along with a special menu from the Guam Island selection that includes a Tumon Bay Moon Ritual and Chamorro Inspired massage.

The Devarana Spa will be managed by Dusit and will use products from French brand Algothorm, as well as its own herbal preparations using fresh, natural ingredients from the island.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=5J7a9_S

Unilever buys skincare brand Dermalogica

Unilever is buying skincare brand Dermalogica for an undisclosed amount and will incorporate it into its Prestige division, which is dedicated to “select distribution and premium personal care brands.”

The move comes just over a month after Unilever acquired Kate Somerville Skincare. The conglomerate also bought British skincare brand REN earlier this year.

“Dermalogica enjoys an outstanding reputation and incredible awareness among skin care professionals and consumers alike, and has a clear positioning as a superior skin health brand that perfectly complements the rest of our Prestige offering,” said Paul Polman, Unilever CEO.

Launched in Los Angeles in 1986 by Jane and Raymond Wurwand, Dermalogica is sold in more than 80 countries in locations where there is a licensed skincare professional and focuses on skin problems such as



Unilever is acquiring Dermalogica for an undisclosed amount

hyperpigmentation, acne, ageing and sensitive skin. The company says it is focused on “skin health, rather than beauty and pampering,” and uses face mapping skin analysis, skin bars and microZone treatment. It had a turnover of US\$240m (€214m, £153m) in 2014.

Polman said the Wurwands “have retained an interest in the company and will continue to work with (Unilever) to grow the brand.”

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Nutfield Priory Hotel & Spa, is recruiting full and part time massage and beauty therapists. The hotel is a 60 bedroom grade 11 listed building, set in 40 acres of parkland dating back 143 years with a stunning history attached. It has an award winning restaurant and is an extremely popular destination hotel and spa.

Our spa has 9 treatment rooms, relaxation lounges and a Brasserie serving lunch and afternoon teas. We are seeking NVQ level 3 qualified individuals with personality and experience. We want you to love your job and embrace the warm, friendly personalities of our guests and be focused on delivering first class experiences and exceeding their expectations at every turn.

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Elemis co-founders announce new roles

Senior management positions at British luxury skincare company Elemis have been appointed to Sean Harrington, Noella Gabriel and Oriele Frank in time for the brand's 25th anniversary, ushering in a new era for the company as it expands to the US.

Co-founder Harrington has been promoted to president of Elemis. He has also relocated to Miami as part of a new business plan for growth across the US. He will lend his 30 years' experience in the industry to expand into the US through digital, TV, shopping, spa and retail platforms.

Noella Gabriel has created every product and treatment for the brand since 1990, when she co-founded the company. Gabriel has stepped into the role of managing director in the UK, where her focus will be on sales and continuing to position the brand at the forefront of treatment development, training and innovation.

Gabriel has created the new 'couture' treatment menu for the recently launched flagship



Sean Harrington has been promoted to president of Elemis

House of Elemis in Mayfair, London, and has plans to open the first Elemis Training and Business Academy later in the year.

Oriole Frank, another co-founder, has become chief marketing officer for the brand. Frank is involved in the development of the brand, from product conception to packaging, to retail stores and visual merchandising.

Details: http://lei.sr?a=P2c5y_B

Scandinavia meets Florida at Pure Spa

Swedish-owned boutique hotel Pelican Grand Beach Resort has opened Pure Spa, the property's first on-site spa, taking full advantage of the panoramic Atlantic Ocean views from its Fort Lauderdale beachfront location.

Located on the 11th floor rooftop and with a theme of "where Scandinavia meets South Florida," the nearly 3,000sq ft (279sq m) spa is carrying Maria Åkerberg's full line of organic skincare as well as products from Babor, Coola, SpaRitual, Tara Spa Products and SoyDelicious.

"After so many years of working in the industry, it is refreshing to be able to provide something new and exciting for our guests," said George Powell-Lopez, director of spa services. "The possibility of truly tailoring to our guests' needs in each and every treatment is new and progressive for our industry, and Pure Spa is providing this exceptional opportunity to our guests."

Swedish company Jefast Pelican Grand owns the 156-bedroom property, which is part of the Noble House Hotels & Resorts collection, and Jefast's Cassandra Jertshagen designed the



Pure Spa takes full advantage of the panoramic Atlantic Ocean views

spa, which features three indoor treatment rooms, two outdoor spa cabanas, a relaxation room with hanging chairs, two oceanfront manicure/pedicure stations and an outdoor shower. The spa is decorated with whitewashed wooden floors, green accented walls and floor-to-ceiling glass windows.

Pure Spa offers rooftop yoga, massage, body scrubs, facials, nail care, waxing and makeup services, as well as a signature treatment, Pure You, where therapist and guest work together to personalise the service.

The resort also added a 1,400sq ft (130sq m) ballroom and a 12th floor penthouse.

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