



To assemble our second annual list of the World's Greatest Places, TIME solicited nominations from our correspondents around the world as well as industry experts. Then we evaluated each one based on key factors, including quality, originality, innovation and influence. The result: 100 new and newly noteworthy destinations to experience right now, from America's hottest hometown pizzeria to a Tokyo museum bringing digital art to life.



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Making a splash

SOUNDWAVES

Nashville

 The Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center in Nashville, located a short walk from the Grand Ole Opry, already boasted nearly 3,000 rooms and nine acres of indoor gardens, but in December it added what purports to be

the nation's first "upscale" water park. Aside from the thrills—indoor surfing, a tower with multiple water slides, a pool with a rock-climbing wall—there are plenty of places to relax too. Look for adults-only pools and lounging areas, private cabana rentals, living walls of plants and a glass roof atop the tall atrium, ensuring guests can sunbathe year-round. —Kaitlin Menza

SUMMER CAMP ON THE COAST

LEKKERWATER
BEACH LODGE

De Hoop Nature Reserve,
South Africa

 The De Hoop Nature Reserve, a few hours from Cape Town, is a haven for vulnerable species like the Cape vulture and the bontebok. Now, visitors can appreciate this rare nature up close with a two-night summer-camp experience, courtesy of the Lekkerwater Beach Lodge, which opened in April on a private white-sand beach. (Rates start at around \$193 per person per night.) Up to 16 guests arrive at the lodge at the same time, share family meals cooked with local ingredients, and take part in activities like exploring tidal pools, hiking and whale watching. While the lodge's communal atmosphere is reminiscent of summer camp, the sleeping quarters are anything but. The seven beachfront bedrooms feature floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto private verandas with views of the Indian Ocean. —Samantha Cooney

SLINGING ONCE AGAIN

LONG BAR AT THE
RAFFLES HOTEL

Singapore

 The Long Bar is usually at the top of any cocktail lover's must-see list in the Lion City. Now, thanks to a yearlong renovation effort, the Raffles' popular bar is better than ever. The tropical decor—inspired by Malayan life in the 1920s—has been updated to include contemporary rattan furniture. New visitors will be happy to hear that bartenders are still serving Singapore slings, which were first created at the bar in 1915, and returning ones know that the best thing to pair with the pink, gin-based cocktail is peanuts. Want to fit in? Throw your peanut shells on the floor when you're done—the bar encourages this quirky tradition. —Amy Gunia