

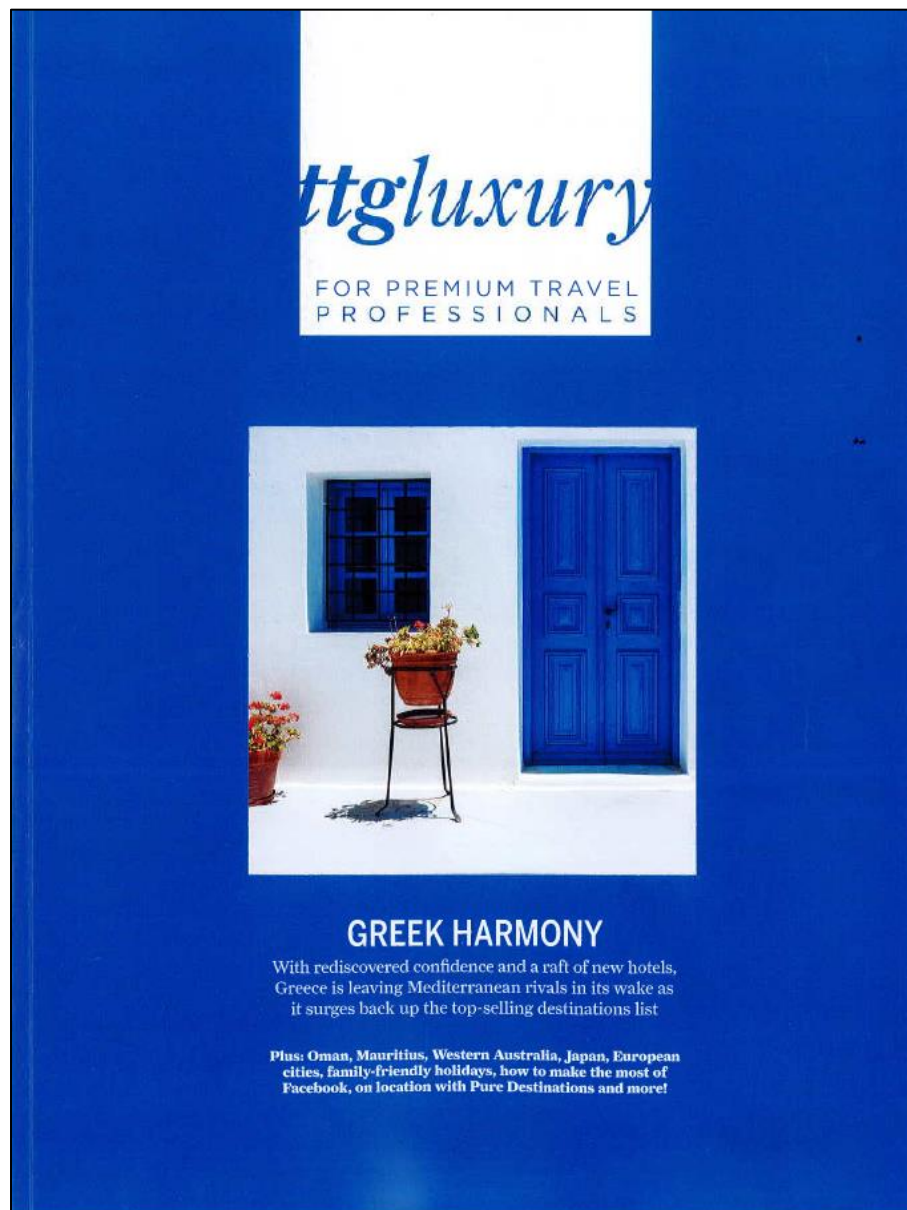
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14 JUNE - 15 JULY FIFA WORLD CUP

Russia
The month-long football extravaganza is taking place across 11 cities in Russia leading up to the final at Moscow's Luzhniki Stadium on July 15. Will England shock the world by making it that far? fifa.com



16 JUNE - 4 NOV FRIDA KAHLO: MAKING HER SELF UP

Victoria and Albert Museum, London
This headline exhibition will feature clothing and personal objects owned by the Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. The items were locked away for 50 years after Kahlo's death in 1954 and this is the first time the collection has been on display outside her home country. vam.ac.uk

20 JUNE - 27 JUNE LUXPO REGIONAL

Radisson Blu Edwardian, Manchester/The Merchant hotel, Belfast
ttgluxury's one-to-one events allow agents to meet and network with an array of luxury travel suppliers spanning cruise, hotels, aviation and destinations. ttgmedia.com

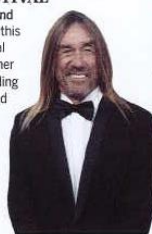
28 JUNE - 21 OCT MICHAEL JACKSON: ON THE WALL

National Portrait Gallery, London
Timed to coincide with what would have been the King of Pop's 60th birthday (August 29), this exhibition features works from more than 40 artists celebrating Jackson's career and cultural influence. npg.org.uk



29 JUNE - 14 JULY MONTREUX JAZZ FESTIVAL

Montreux, Switzerland
Now in its 52nd year, this venerable jazz festival also ventures into other types of music including folk, R&B, hip-hop and electronica. This year's performers include Rag'n' Bone Man, Massive Attack, Iggy Pop (right) and Jack White. montreuxjazzfestival.com



19 JULY - 22 JULY THE OPEN

Carnoustie, Scotland
Now in its 147th year, this major golf tournament is being held at Carnoustie on Scotland's North Sea coast. Golfing legend Tiger Woods is expected to be one of the competitors for the prized Claret Jug. Tickets start at £75. theopen.com

29 AUG - 8 SEPT VENICE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Venice Lido, Italy
Highlights of the festival, now in its 75th year, will include Canadian director David Cronenberg being given a lifetime achievement award, while Mexican director Guillermo del Toro will be president of the jury. labiennale.org



2 JULY - 15 JULY WIMBLEDON

All England Club, London
Pimm's and strawberries all round as the iconic tennis tournament takes place over two weeks on the hallowed lawns of south-west London. The big question is: will former champion Andy Murray be fit to play? wimbledon.com

Ones to watch...

ZANNIER IN NAMIBIA
July sees the opening of Zannier Hotels' first property in Namibia and the debut of Omaanda, a savannah-based lodge near the capital Windhoek. Omaanda, based in the newly formed Zannier Reserve, will feature eight one-bedroom huts plus two huts with two bedrooms and a living area, as well as a restaurant with open fire, two bars and a spa. Excursions and safaris will be tailored for guests. zannierhotels.com

Editor's pick



What's in the next issue? Look out for features on cruise, Cambodia, Sri Lanka and New York, as well as a round-up of what's new in the Indian Ocean and plenty of suggestions for winter sun getaways

CORFU OVERHAUL
Corfu continues its luxury makeover with the opening of the Domes Miramare Corfu in August. Located on a private section of beach in Meraitika, the property will be the third in Domes Resorts' portfolio – the company's two current hotels are in Crete. The existing hotel in Corfu is being turned into a premium five-star adults-only resort and becomes part of The Luxury Collection at the same time. domesresorts.com



Maya, in August. It features 70 villas, all with private pool and terrace, as well as a 200-metre private beach. Other facilities include a spa, fitness centre and beachside pool with private cabanas. chablesort.com

NEXT UP IN MEXICO
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WHAT THE HECKFIELD?
Hampshire's Heckfield Place is poised to open as a 44-room

hotel in September. The former Georgian family home, farm and gardens are set in a 400-acre estate and accommodation options include a two-bedroom cottage. The main house features two restaurants, a bar and a 67-seat screening room with cellar bar, while the Little Bothy spa will house five treatment rooms, plus three exercise studios. heckfieldplace.com

PS... The town of Henley may be best known for its rowing regatta, July 4-8, but just one week later the Henley Festival (July 11-15) will play host to Grace Jones and Nile Rodgers, as well as comedy from the likes of Paul Merton, Lee Nelson, Lucy Porter and Mark Watson. henley-festival.co.uk

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