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NEWS, PEOPLE, NEIGHBOURHOOD INSIGHTS AND INVITATIONS FROM THE DOYLE COLLECTION



Experience the V&A

It's been a great season for the V&A - the best ever, in fact. The museum unveiled its new £55m courtyard, taking the museum "out onto the street", and its flagship exhibition, Pink Floyd: Their Mortal Remains, was extended due to record-breaking attendance. Meanwhile, Balenciaga: Shaping Fashion continues to captivate a more couture-centric audience

while Opera: Passion, Power and Politics has already gained similarly stellar reviews.

Coming in December is the multi-sensory and playful exhibition Winnie-the-Pooh: Exploring a Classic. Guests staying at The Kensington, subject to availability, can receive two complimentary tickets to any of these exhibitions.

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News

The Bloomsbury Renaissance

Following the successful relaunch of The Kensington in 2016, The Bloomsbury will enjoy a multi-million pound redesign of its own, due to be completed in November 2017. The internationally acclaimed Martin Brudnizki Design Studio will oversee the transformation, mindful of Sir Edwin Lutyens' original 1928 design. A colour scheme of muted greens and pinks (shades Lutyens was especially fond of) will breathe new life into the reception area, guest lounge and stunning new bar, The Coral Room (below), while British illustrator Luke Edward Hall has been commissioned to create 36 original pieces of art inspired by the history and heritage of the surrounding area.



The Proms – celebrated in style at The Kensington

The Kensington proved to be the perfect place this summer to get in the spirit for the Proms. At the K Bar, guests could discover five exclusive cocktails inspired by music, including the Nicola Benedetti, which blends Dalmore and Ardmora whiskies, lemon juice, ginger and honey syrup, and the André Previn, which marries 209 gin and Balthazar red. During the world-famous festival, live music on The Kensington's portico from City String Ensemble entertained guests and passersby alike.



Play time

This Autumn, The Doyle Collection has once again collaborated with the Dublin Theatre Festival, an 18-day celebration that features some of Ireland's most talented and provocative new playwrights, along with productions from all over the world.

As the festival's official accommodation sponsor, The Doyle Collection hosted the annual gala dinner at The Westbury and sponsored King of the Castle at the nearby Gaiety Theatre. Written by Glasgow-born Eugene McCabe, who first moved to Ireland in the early 1940s and now lives on a farm in County Monaghan, this forgotten classic premiered at the Dublin Theatre Festival back in 1964, where it went on to win the Irish Life Award, causing a considerable scandal at the time.

The story follows the king of the castle, Scober MacAdam, who lives in a once-glorious home in County Leitrim with his young wife Tressa. The couple's marriage is childless and frustrated, and when rumours as to the cause of this unhappiness threaten Scober's pride, he concocts a plan that will jeopardise all that he has worked for. With a stellar cast that includes Seán McGinley (Braveheart, Gangs of New York) and Marty Rea (The Man Inside, Barbarians Rising), this was the first major revival of the play in 30 years, and was one of the highlights of the festival calendar in 2017.



Restore and revive

Energise your body and mind this autumn with an invigorating **lululemon** yoga class at The Marylebone. Held throughout September, October and November, the morning sessions will be taught by yogi Kirsty Gallagher, an internationally respected teacher who will lead attendees through a revitalising hour-long sequence. Once the mind is rejuvenated, it's time to nourish the body with a healthy, organic brunch that includes plenty of nutrients. From avocado with chilli on toast to a freshly squeezed juice, this tasty brunch is sure to get your day off to the best possible start.

For further information or to reserve your space at the next class, please contact events@marylebonerooms.com



Event Spaces with a difference at The Marylebone

The recently refurbished event spaces at The Marylebone are some of the most elegant to be found in the heart of London. Drawing on the old-school glamour of clubhouses and mid-century yachts, The Marylebone Rooms feature parquet flooring, oak panelling, leather upholstery and plush velvet furnishings as well as vibrant modern artwork. The spaces, which can be employed for everything from fashion shows, book launches and meetings to private dining and cocktail parties, also feature The Courtyard, a 785 sq ft terrace surrounded by a garden wall, with a retractable roof, open fire and wooden deck – bound to make an impact, whether for social or business gatherings.

For enquiries and bookings, please contact events@marylebonerooms.com

Food & Drink



A hatter's afternoon tea

As part of its ongoing support for Irish fashion design, The Westbury has created an exquisite new afternoon tea in collaboration with some of Ireland's most talented milliners.

In a partnership with the Council of Irish Fashion Designers, the hotel's pastry chef Rey Encarnacion has created an exquisite selection of sweets that replicate the delicate creations of a selection of established Irish hatmakers. Pictured is Wendy Louise's Wedgwood blue felt hand-blocked headpiece with structured thermoplastic swirls, which was the inspiration behind Encarnacion's blueberry cheesecake with a Sablé breton base.



Bring out the Champagne

The house of Krug has been creating exceptional Champagne since 1843. Now, executive chef Sandeep Singh from WILDE at The Westbury is delighted to have collaborated with the house, designing an exclusive menu that perfectly complements both the Krug Grand Cuvée and the Krug Rosé. Diners will be able to enjoy sweet Dublin Bay prawns and earthy Iberico ham as a starter, and a delicate Dover Sole à la meunière with salty capers – both of which match beautifully with the notes of marzipan, gingerbread and citrus fruits in the Krug Grand Cuvée. Alternatively, the rosé can be paired with a main course of Irish spring lamb with braised artichoke and beans, and baked Alaska with peach and sour cherry for dessert.

The Krug Champagne Dining Experience is available until December 31st. For bookings, please contact wilde_restaurant@doylecollection.com.



Candice Brown at Dalloway Terrace

Winner of the 2016 Great British Bake Off Candice Brown has created a new Afternoon Tea menu in collaboration with The Bloomsbury's Dalloway Terrace. The menu takes inspiration from Brown's recently released cookbook, Comfort, and showcases the baker's eye for exciting flavour combinations. Sweet treats range from the more conventional (Orange & Cardamom Scone) to the more obscure (Peanut Butter & Jelly Profiteroles), while the savoury selection includes sandwiches such as Beetroot Cured Salmon with Cucumber & Dill Relish on Sourdough.

The Candice Brown Afternoon Tea is available until January 31st 2018. For bookings, please contact reservations@dallowayterrace.com.



Breakfast on the Lane

Looking out onto the quirky boutiques and characterful cafés of Marylebone Lane, the leafy terrace of the 108 Brasserie is one of London's most vibrant al fresco spots. Good news then, the brasserie is now serving breakfast – in all weathers. From 8-11am, dishes such as sweetcorn fritters with avocado, grilled halloumi and smoked red pepper relish, buttermilk blueberry pancakes with streaky bacon and chia porridge with pomegranate and toasted coconut will be served. Those who take a little longer to rise might also appreciate a delicious artisan coffee, with beans roasted by Baillies Coffee from Belfast and freshly ground in-house.

Recipe: Breakfast Acai Bowl From the 108 Brasserie

SERVES 4

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 dates, soaked
- 1 large beetroot, raw
- 300g acai berries
- 300g frozen berries
- 50g hazelnuts
- 1 litre coconut milk
- tablespoon blueberries
- tablespoon coconut shavings



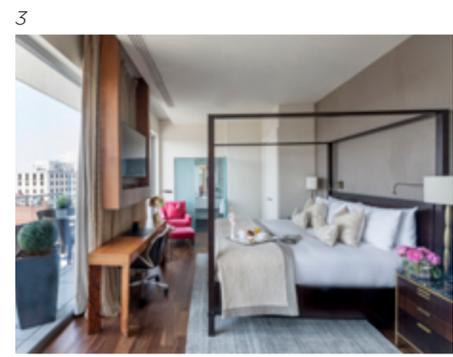
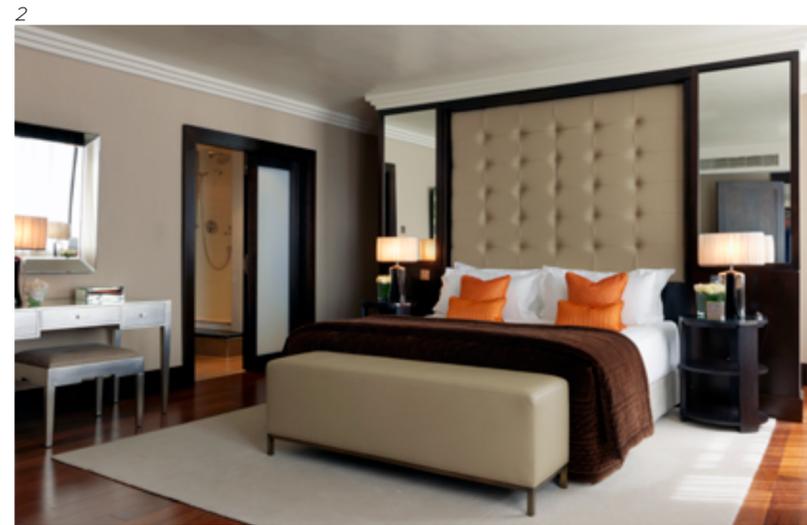
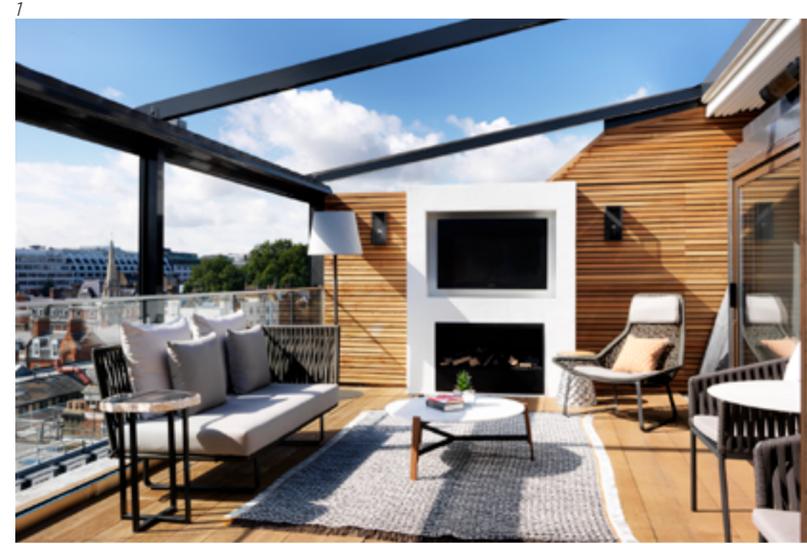
METHOD:

- 1) Soak the dates in a bowl of warm water overnight and strain.
- 2) Next, grate the beetroot.
- 3) Place all the ingredients into a blender and blend until you achieve a silky, smoothie-like texture.
- 4) Pour into a bowl and serve topped with blueberries and coconut shavings.





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1. THE MARYLEBONE

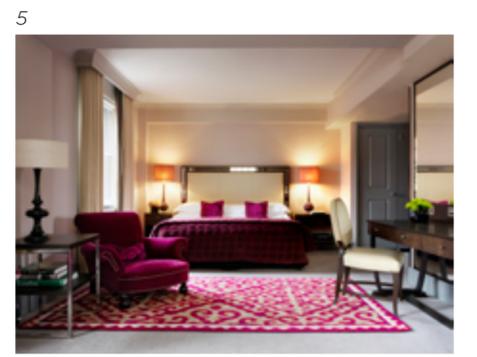
Few – if any – London hotel suites can compare with The Marylebone’s Terrace Suites for style or space. As their name implies, these havens of contemporary style boast a large outdoor spaces looking out over the London skyline complete with sofas, Eames-inspired chairs, dining table, an in-built gas fireplace and TV, all decorated in a chic Zen style with retractable roof and blinds. Inside, the rich hardwood floors and arabascato marble bathrooms feature Starck, B&B Italia and Porta Romana furnishings and lighting, while contemporary artwork lends a bold, sleek feel, setting the seal on the supremely well appointed spaces.

Sabre: JD 19638 Galileo: JD 57713 Amadeus: JD LONCLI

2. THE WESTBURY

One of a kind, the ultra-exclusive, award winning Presidential Suite is marked out by its generous size and total privacy. This secluded enclave occupies a tucked-away wing of the hotel, with the 1,500ft² (140m²) living space comprising a separate living area with chic bar, dining area and lounge, decorated with sleek designer furniture and original artworks, while the exceptionally large bathroom comes with double vanity unit, and separate shower, steam room and sauna. Meanwhile, the hotel’s Luxury Suites’ sleek décor exudes an understated comfort to complement their panoramic views across the city.

Sabre: LW 11036 Galileo: LW 8564 Amadeus: LW DUB551



5. THE BLOOMSBURY

Set on the corners of the building to maximise space, light – and views – The Bloomsbury’s spacious suites are decorated in a rich, regal palette, with designer rugs and velvet-upholstered armchairs. The result is a light-filled space with an opulent feel, not least in the Italian marble bathrooms, complete with freestanding roll-top baths, separate showers and double marble-topped vanity units.

Sabre: JD 53408 Galileo: JD 27902 Amadeus: JD LONJGR

3. THE DUPONT CIRCLE

Our Washington DC’s stunning Penthouse Suite extends over an enormous 2,041 sq ft, spread out over two floors of beautifully decorated living space and amenities to form the ultimate home-from-home. It sits on the exclusive 9th floor, which boasts its own private lift and lounge, and a range of studio and luxury suites, some with private balconies and all with panoramic city views.

Sabre: JD 11676 Galileo: JD 97603 Amadeus: JD WASO01

For more on our suites and suite packages, please visit doylecollection.com/suites or all GDS

4. THE KENSINGTON

Be it the regal splendour of The Brompton’s four-poster bed, free-standing Victorian roll-top bath and Waterford crystal chandelier, or the contemporary charm of The Knightsbridge’s circular day bed, marble bathroom with Jacuzzi and balcony overlooking leafy Queen’s Gate, these signature suites, which may be combined, offer supreme comfort and space while, Studio Suites offer a luxury form of loft living.

Sabre: JD 33810 Galileo: JD 44769 Amadeus: JD LONJUR

Suite Life... reimagined

Whether it’s to wow or to woo, those looking to impress will find the ultimate upscale surroundings in the Doyle Collection’s array of luxury suites. Confidently curated design and elegantly sumptuous comfort combine to create the perfect recipe for a memorable escape

Out and About

The Only Place in Town Rachel Vosper, candle chandler, on Pandora Dress Agency

THE KENSINGTON



Kensington has so many happy memories for me – as a teenager, I used to get the train up from Sussex to go to Kensington Market, where I bought my first pair of Levi's and a beautiful cobalt blue cheongsam with my pocket money.

Later on, I worked for a travel PR start-up, where the office was my boss's bedroom in Palace Gardens Terrace. I used to love walking between the rows of blossom trees and going for a pint of Guinness and a Thai curry at The Churchill Arms.

My absolute favourite place, however, is Pandora, an amazing second-hand shop on Cheval Place just behind Brompton Road. It sells a wonderful selection of bags, scarves, jackets and jewellery, and it's from where I get all my designer dresses.

I first discovered it when I lived in Rutland Gate, and I've been going there for about seven years now. The staff know me well and they know what I like, and I make a trip there every season to stock up on pieces that fit me well, that I can wear to all sorts of different occasions.

The dress I've had the most fun in from

there is a really beautiful Grecian-style piece by Gucci, which is covered with palm trees in cobalt blue, black, bronze, white and pink. I've also bought Peter Pilotto silk shift dresses in bright graphic prints, a wonderful vintage Givenchy dress that I wore when I was pregnant, and an Alice Temperley empire-line dress that I always seem to have the most amazing nights in.

I've never been one for traipsing round the shops on a Saturday, so I love that a few times a year I can go to Pandora and get exactly what I need. They sell so many different designers – Chanel, Rupert Sanderson, Emilio Pucci – and always have plenty of things in stock. It's one of those shops that you need to dedicate a couple of hours to, but you'll never come away disappointed.

I don't mind going there with friends, as we tend to have different tastes and body shapes anyway, but I'll never forgive the woman from the end of my road who bought a red cashmere jumper that had my name on it... we still joke about it today. pandoradressagency.com

The Good Shopper Preppy Washington

THE DUPONT CIRCLE

There's no better place for preppy style than Washington DC, so pick up some classic pieces while you're in town

1. Born as an alternative to J.Crew, Tuckernuck started online before opening a store in the university district of Georgetown. The brand – named after an island off Nantucket – specialises in what co-founder Jocelyn Gailliot describes as classic all-American wear: structured dresses, wool blazers and plenty of stripes.

Truck.com; Tuckernuck, 1052 Potomac St, NW Washington, DC 20007, USA

2. Located on the top floor of the International Spy Museum in Penn Quarter, Trunk Club is a handy option for those who like to wear the best brands, but don't enjoy traipsing round the shops to find them. Make an appointment to meet a Trunk Club stylist who, having asked you a few questions about your style preferences, will pick you out a series of outfits.

Trunkclub.com; Trunk Club, 525 9th Street NW Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004, USA

3. Described as “part men's club, part library, part classy frat-house”, Read Wall should be the first port of call for anyone looking for classic American tailoring. Inspired by the sartorial style of JFK, Ernest Hemingway and Steve McQueen, it offers everything from made-to-measure business casual pieces to tailored sportswear and wedding attire.

Readwall.com; Read Wall, 1921 8th Street, NW Washington, DC 20001, USA

4. With 12 sizes to choose from, Hugh & Crye believes it has a shirt to fit every man, from the short and skinny to the tall and broad. Rather than asking for the usual measurements – neck and chest-size – shop assistants take note of your muscle mass in order to find the perfect fit.

Hughandcrye.com; Hugh & Crye, 3212 O St. NW #5, Washington, DC 20007, USA

5. Ledbury was formed by two local guys from Virginia who, having finished their degrees at Oxford University, became apprentices at a shirt-maker on London's Jermyn Street. The store began by selling dress shirts, but has branched out into blazers, sweaters, trousers and accessories, all crafted with fabrics from European mills.

Ledbury.com; Ledbury, 3319A Cady's Alley NW, Washington, DC 20007, USA