

LE PAVILLON DE LA REINE

Paris

WHAT MAKES IT SO SNAPPABLE? It's in the Marais, the city's throbbing cultural heart, tucked away behind Places des Vosges, the oldest and most Insta-worthy square in Paris – think handsome elegance during the day and twinkling fairy-tale glamour come night-time. This 54-room, ivy-clad hotel is family-run, so it feels like your own pied-à-terre and is a diamond in the dust round these parts – small but not Paris-pokey, quiet without being dead, sophisticated without making you feel like you've dribbled Pinot Noir down your front. A slice of laid-back, romantic, 17th-century heaven. From the moment you step inside the wrought-iron gates, everything's picture perfect, from the elegant courtyard dotted with modern sculpture to the canopied four-poster beds.

THE MONEY SHOT If it's good enough for Kate Winslet, Keira Knightley and Tilda Swinton, it's got to

be one of the city's best-kept secrets, no? It's the sort of place you'll spot an A-list actor being interviewed in a far corner of the lounge, so move a little closer and pretend you're focusing on your perfectly positioned, on-the-rocks Armagnac. Unlike many Parisienne

establishments, the waiters here are far too charming to tell you that's wrong on at least two levels.

WHAT YOU'LL ONLY FIND HERE Breakfast is a buffet in the red damask bibliotheque. Settle down with a tome and a plateful of artfully sliced fruit, cloud-like croissants, sticky jams, hams and cheeses (don't worry, the ham and cheese isn't sticky). The Picasso Museum, best boutiques and restaurants are all minutes away, but there are bikes to borrow if you feel like venturing further.

If not, there are massages, treatments, a gym and a steam room. The au courant concierge knows exactly where and how to get you a table at the most sought-after spots in town.

Do it: Rooms from £282 per room, per night B&B; Pavillondelareine.com

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25hours Hotel Bikini, Berlin

Swinging in your room's hammock, gazing down at Berlin Zoo next door, it feels more like a tropical than an urban jungle here. The 'do not disturb' sign says 'put aspirin in front of the door and leave'. From £77 per night; 25hours-hotels.com



G-Rough, Rome

It may sound, well, rough, but that's just a nod to the stripped-back walls. We snapped the mosaic floor, speakeasy-like bar and gold-tile bathroom. They'll even get a Vespa scooter for you to zip around on à la Audrey Hepburn. From £288 per night; G-rough.com



Keemala Phuket, Thailand

This new resort is totally original with villas shaped like bird's nests and seed pods, and even thatched Hobbit-style homes; it's like Tolkien, Philippe Starck and an eco warrior dreamt up a hotel. From £397 per night; Keemala.com



So chic even the building's in spring's hottest colour (green)

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