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PURO, WARSAW +

Polish hotel group Puro's latest boutique property is a certified crowd-pleaser. Located in a new build, designed by the Poznań-based ASW Architekci and close to Warsaw's iconic Palace of Culture and Science, the 148-room hotel features interiors by British studio DeSallesFlint. Suites and public spaces have been styled like soigné apartments, swathed in brushed oak, old maps and hand-tufted Golran rugs. Rooftop bar Loreta sports an eye-catching mural by Maurycy Gomulicki, while head chef Mateusz Wichrowski orchestrates a seasonal Italian menu of gnudi with beetroot leaves and chive oil, and hanger steak with baked spring onions and tarragon mayonnaise. DW

Widok 9, Warsaw, tel: 48.22 89 98 000, purohotel.pl. Rates: from €100

Original thinker GALLERIA VIK, MILAN →

Hot on the heels of its South American resorts, Vik Retreats has made its first foray into Europe. Galleria Vik is the latest luxury hotel to take up residence on Milan's 19th-century historic shopping arcade Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, and it hosts a sprawling network of 90 suites, private spa and three restaurants, including a rooftop pizzeria. Owners Carrie and Alexander Vik recruited a top-notch clique of Italian, Uruguayan and international artists to install original works in each room, while a version of Rodin's The Thinker holds court in the reception area, kept company by a writhing tangle of heroic male figures in a ceiling and wall fresco by Italian artist Alex Folla. Laura May Todd Via Silvio Pellico 8, Milan, tel: 39.02 8905 8297, galleriavikmilano.com. Rates: from €500



Peace keeper

INHABIT, LONDON |

Putting mindfulness at the heart of its philosophy, the 88-room Inhabit unfolds across six Georgian townhouses in a leafy patch of Paddington, and offers a meditation pod, yoga atrium, gym with Peloton bike, and Clearlight infrared sauna. This is all complemented by uplifting Scandi interiors by London-based Caitlin Henderson in soothing neutral tones, as well as plants specially selected for their air-purifying qualities, and a mobile phone box, meant to aid restful sleep. A pantry provides healthy snacks, while Yeotown Kitchen serves an all-day menu of nourishing dishes ranging from gluten-free oat porridge warmed in almond milk to a Thai green curry coconut noodle bowl. Lauren Ho 25-27 Southwick Street, London W2, tel: 44.20 7479 2333, inhabithotels.com. Rates: from £150

