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→ For T+L's 18th annual poll, we asked our discerning readers once again to cast their votes for the hotels, destinations, and companies that define the very best in travel. The result? One of our most robust lists to date, with new categories including top hotel brands and airports. We've highlighted 78 newcomers, 33 properties with great value, and 102 Hall of Fame winners that have appeared on our list for a decade or longer.

Plus A snapshot of the next great places to visit.

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Castello di Casole, in Tuscany, Italy, voted No. 1 Resort in Europe this year.

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A testament to our peripatetic Travel + Leisure readers: far-flung retreats sit at the top of the hotels list again this year and also distinguish the winners on our new Top 5 Hotel Brands category (see opposite). Mombo Camp and Little Mombo Camp, in Botswana, took No. 1, while the Lodge at Kauri Cliffs, in New Zealand, and the Four Seasons Resort Bora-Bora made Top 10 debuts for their respective regions. In Europe, rising star Castello di Casole grabbed No. 1 in Resorts (and No. 2 in Hotels Overall).

THE TOP 100 HOTELS
1. Mombo Camp and Little Mombo Camp, Botswana
2. Castello di Casole — A Timbers Resort, Italy
3. Mombo Camp & Little Mombo Camp, Botswana
4. Copperleaf Lodge & Spa, South Africa
5. Four Seasons Resort Bora-Bora, French Polynesia
6. Oberoi Bengaluru, India
7. Oberoi Port Louis, Mauritius
8. Oberoi Emmy, Dubai
9. Oberoi Amritsar, India
10. The Peninsula Bangkok
11. Capella Lodge, New Zealand
12. Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica
13. Four Seasons Resort Bora-Bora
14. Oberoi Amritsar, India
15. Oberoi Bengaluru, India
16. The Peninsula Shanghai
17. Seaside Palace, Copenhagen
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Dusk at Mombo Camp and Little Mombo Camp, in Botswana.
## Continental U.S.

**LARGE CITY HOTELS (100 ROOMS OR MORE)**

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**THE PENINSULA BEVERLY HILLS**

Suite balconies at the Peninsula Beverly Hills.