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December travel news: editor's picks



The Saguardo Scottsdale, Arizona, US

Stamberg Aferiat Architecture - the studio behind Shelter Island House (see W*144) - has designed The Saguardo hotel in Scottsdale, integrating its trademark aesthetic of high American Modernism and zinging colours. The brainchild of New York-based hotel developers Sydel Group, the 194-room lodging is inspired by the hues of the indigenous wildflowers of Arizona and houses chef Jose Garces' 'Distrito' restaurant, serving modern Mexican cuisine. Saguardo spa offers a wide variety of invigorating beauty treatments and massages, and, for a further health kick, there are a wide array of activities available, from hiking to golf. Run by Joie de Vivre - California's largest boutique hotel collection - Saguardo Scottsdale is soon to be followed by Saguardo Palm Springs, due to open in February

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