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S'mores are on fire

In honor of National S'mores Day (Aug. 10), a toast to the treat's best interpretations

Popover

Deer Path Inn
Lake Forest, Illinois

This playful campfire twist on a traditional Yorkshire pudding is filled with warm chocolate sauce and is served with a savory yet sweet side of maple bacon marshmallow spread.
thedeerpathinn.com

Shave Ice

Matsuhisa
Vail, Colorado
Celebrity chef Nobu Matsuhisa's take on the icy Japanese indulgence *kakigōri* features s'mores-inspired elements such as house-puffed marshmallows and smoked vanilla ice cream.
matsuhisarestaurants.com

Beer

Base Camp Brewing Company
Portland, Oregon
With aromas of chocolate, coffee and fig, this complex yet totally smooth stout is served at the brewery with a toasted marshmallow affixed to the rim of the glass.
basecampbrewingco.com

Popsicle

Sanctuary on Camelback Mountain Resort & Spa
Scottsdale, Arizona
With graham cracker ice cream dipped in dark chocolate, covered in toasted whiskey marshmallow and dusted with bacon, this cool confection tastes like summer on a stick.
sanctuaryoncamelback.com

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Restaurants are now offering beds

A popular Italian eatery is the latest culinary brand to take a bite out of the hotel business

WHEN DECIDING WHERE TO STAY in Puerto Rico, pasta being served out of a giant parmesan cheese wheel probably isn't a consideration. But with the recently opened Serafina Beach Hotel in San Juan, the Italian restaurant chain is expanding its scope beyond pasta and pizza.

"This is an evolution of what we do in the restaurants," says Milan-born co-founder Vittorio Assaf. The 96-room boutique hotel overlooking the Atlantic sports local artwork and beachy design touches, ensuring it doesn't feel like a restaurant clone. (There's already a Serafina inside the La Concha Resort down the street.)

Assaf developed a new seafood-centric restaurant concept for the hotel called aMare, but they still serve a few of the classics. He says, "We probably couldn't do anything called Serafina without our famous *spaghetti nella forma di parmigiano*."

The move follows the success of other restaurants-turned-hotels, such as Nobu and the Brazil-based Fasano. Up next? The upscale Chinese restaurant and nightclub Hakkasan is opening its first hotel in 2020.

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serafinabeachhotel.com

Serafina tapped New York design firm Icrave to create the tropical hotel



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