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## A WORD FROM RU

As we move into the end of summer, Ru&Co are preparing for our second Hotel HUB in September- our two-day event which will be hosted at Home House. We can't wait to see some of you there- if you have not yet secured your place please read below with a link to RSVP!

In this issue, we are delighted to introduce **The Reserve**- Savoy Signature's new hotel opening in November. **METT Hotel & Beach Resort Marbella** has opened its doors, **Esprit de France** have released their very first issue of their magazine, and **Saccharum** have enhanced their guest experiences throughout their hotel, from renovations to the introduction of a new spa menu.

At the start of July I attended the **Site GB Leaders Retreat** where I discussed the evolution of incentives with representatives from global luxury brands and incentive agencies during the 2 day retreat. Read more about the trip below.

There are also some very exciting events happening at the hotels throughout the end of summer- wine festivals, live music, summer sunsets and art festivals.

Happy reading & I wish you a great month and safe travels for those of you going on hols!

Rupert

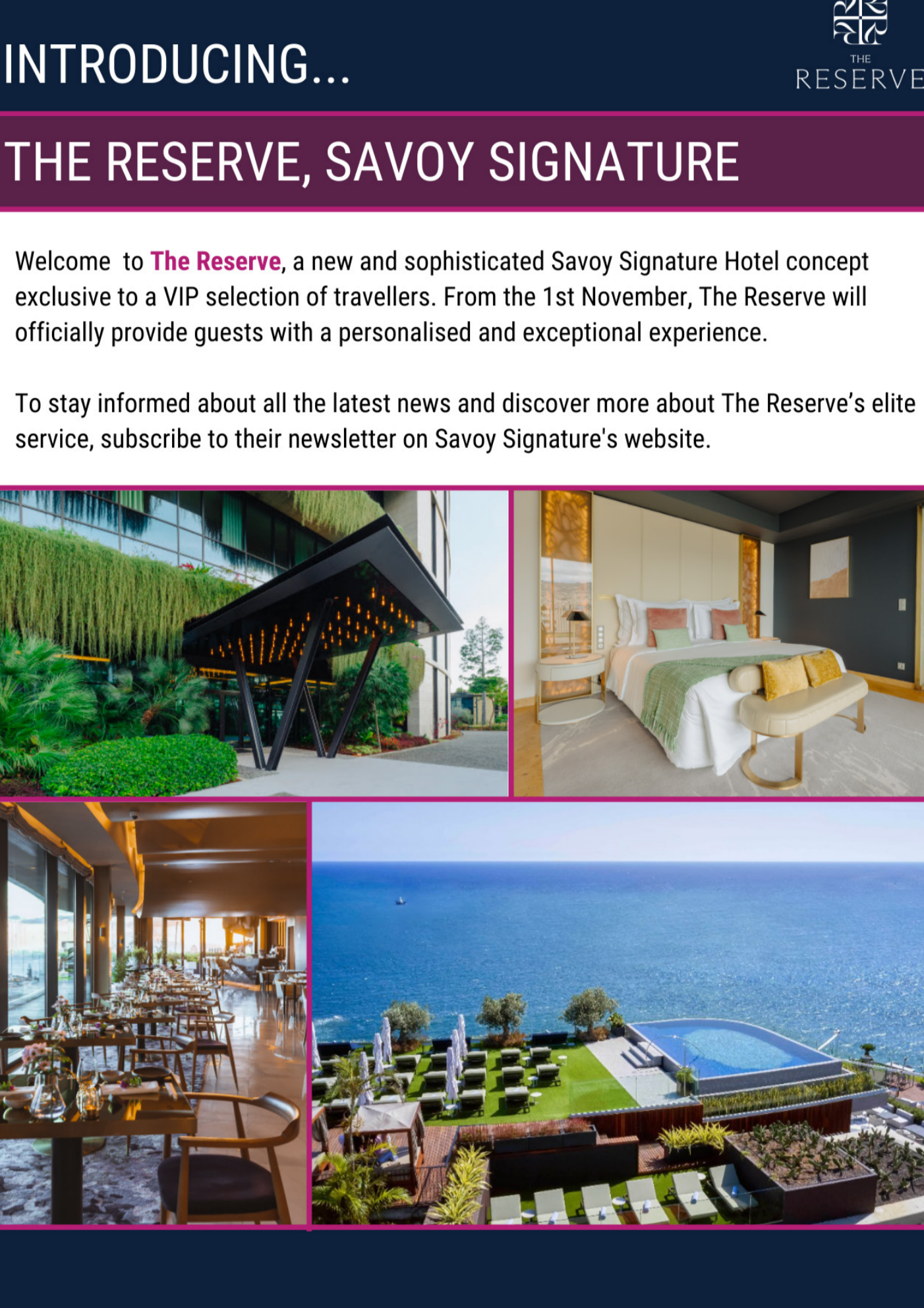
## HOTEL HUB



### JOIN US IN SEPTEMBER...

Join Ru&Co at Home House in London on the 20th & 21st of September together with stunning hotels from our fabulous portfolio of 40 hotels, villas and private residences.

All attendees of Hotel HUB will be entered into an exclusive prize draw with a chance of winning stays at Ru&Co portfolio hotels and one luxury designer handbag.



RSVP Hotel Hub

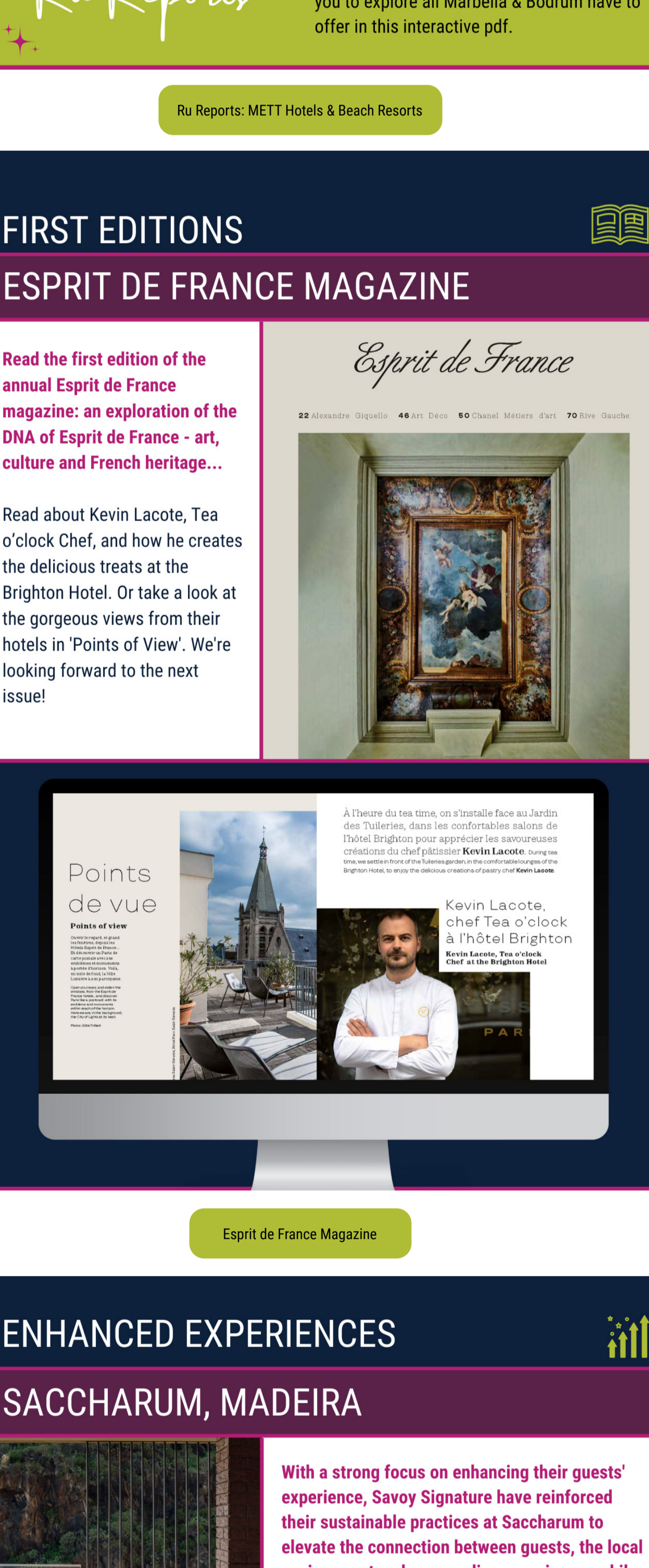
## INTRODUCING...



### THE RESERVE, SAVOY SIGNATURE

Welcome to **The Reserve**, a new and sophisticated Savoy Signature Hotel concept exclusive to a VIP selection of travellers. From the 1st November, The Reserve will officially provide guests with a personalised and exceptional experience.

To stay informed about all the latest news and discover more about The Reserve's elite service, subscribe to their newsletter on Savoy Signature's website.



## METT HOTEL & RESORT MARBELLA ESTEPONA OPENS



METT Marbella Estepona officially opened its doors on the 01 August. The 5-star lifestyle property features 249 elegant and beautifully designed guest rooms and suites around a state of art Azure Beach pool with uninterrupted views of the Mediterranean Sea.

Situated on the Costa del Sol shoreline, this destination offers great beaches, an all-year-around wonderful climate, exciting leisure facilities, rich gastronomy and vibrant entertainment, perfect for guests to unwind and enjoy life.

**Ru Reports** - Read 'Ru Reports', an extensive reportage for you to explore all Marbella & Bodrum have to offer in this interactive pdf.

Ru Reports: METT Hotels & Beach Resorts

## FIRST EDITIONS

### ESPRIT DE FRANCE MAGAZINE

Read the first edition of the annual **Esprit de France** magazine: an exploration of the **DNA of Esprit de France - art, culture and French heritage...**

Read about Kevin Lacote, Tea o'clock Chef, and how he creates the delicious treats at the Brighton Hotel. Or take a look at the gorgeous views from their hotels in 'Points of View'. We're looking forward to the next issue!



Esprit de France Magazine

## ENHANCED EXPERIENCES

### SACCHARUM, MADEIRA



**With a strong focus on enhancing their guests' experience, Savoy Signature have reinforced their sustainable practices at Saccharum to elevate the connection between guests, the local environment and surrounding experiences while preserving the hotel's luxurious retreat concept.**

Additionally, each premium superior suite now features a plunge pool on the terrace, adding that extra touch of luxury and comfort. The Saccharum Spa has introduced a new menu, expanding the ratio of high-quality products. All the hotel's outlets have significantly improved regarding food and beverage menus, decoration, and furniture.

At Calheta Beach, the Onda Azul Restaurant has recently been renovated, featuring a modern design and a new tasteful menu connected to the environment. There will now be 3 venue options for the all-inclusive programme. Additionally, the hotel has undergone general soft refurbishments to ensure even more comfort for all our guests.

Ru visits

## SITE GB LEADERS RETREAT



**Is the traditional incentive travel programme dying?** That was the provocative question debated by event industry leaders at the recent SITE GB Leaders Retreat at Cowdray House in West Sussex.

*"With the three Rs - reward, recognition and retention - more important than ever in the post-pandemic workplace, incentives are not dying, but they are definitely evolving, and agencies and suppliers need to adapt to the changing demands of corporate clients and their incentive participants to ensure the future of the sector."*

Rupert joined MD's of incentive agencies as well as other representatives from global luxury brands to discuss the evolution of incentives on this one day retreat.



Read more

## THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS...

### DOLOMITE MOUNTAINS, ITALY

**Ski resorts in the Dolomites begin to open on Saturday 25 November, with more than half opening on 2 December, and the remaining before the holidays.**

We're less than 6 months away - the countdown is on! From off-piste ski safaris to snowshoe hikes, the perfect winter trip awaits. Winter dates are now live. Book your adventure now.



## EVENTS

**MADEIRA WINE FESTIVAL**  
**SAVOY SIGNATURE, MADEIRA**

The Wine Festival takes place during the harvest season, between September 6th and 10th, celebrating this ancestral activity with an educational and entertaining programme. The agenda highlights the exciting harvest under the moonlight and the grape treading accompanied by folklore stories.

**GASTRONOMY MUSIC**  
**GRAND RESORT LAGONISSI, ATHENS**

Captain's House welcome Alexandros Nathanail and Antígoni Kyriakopoulou, every Wednesday through to Sunday at 21:00, with the duo adding music to August.

**CITY LOVER SUNSET**  
**ONLY YOU HOTEL VALENCIA**

The City Lover Sunset space will be available every Thursday and Friday of the summer. Enjoy delicious cocktails and then dine El Mirador, both located on the rooftop.

**TERRITORI IBIZA**  
**OCEAN DRIVE HOTELS, IBIZA**

Ocean Drive hotels sponsor the Performance Art festival hosted in Ibiza, 15th to 24th September. The festival creates a space for creation, exhibiting artists from all the islands showcasing their works. Visit Ocean Drive Ibiza to experience first hand all that is weird and wonderful in this corner of the performance art world.

## COMING SOON...

