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The essentials of hospitality never change. Great hotels have always done everything they can to make every guest feel truly welcome. But today, the very best hotels also build genuine connections between their guests and their local communities. Of the many hotels that opened in the past year, our editors and contributors personally reviewed and selected these 27 because they do all of that and more. We invite you to read on for the new hotels worth traveling for.

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NAYARA TENTED CAMP COSTA RICA

The glamping trend shows no signs of waning, and one of the most spectacular new options is located in northern Costa Rica's rain forest. Sharing 62 acres with its sister properties, Nayara Gardens and Nayara Springs, Nayara Tented Camp features 21 tents on a hill facing the Arenal Volcano. The tents keep nature front and center, with dual indoor and outdoor showerheads and jungle-inspired wallpaper, plus verandas with infinity pools that draw water from hot springs. Between relaxing in the six thermal rock pools and nibbling on ceviche, guests can take walks with a naturalist to spot the red-eyed tree frogs, toucans, and sloths that live among the guarumo trees. From \$1,200. nayaratentedcamp.com