

STYLE

European Spa rounds up the latest furnishings, equipment and finishes for the spa environment

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Designed by Italian architect Antonio Citterio (left), the new Hansgrohe Axor Citterio provides ergonomic design and water-saving technology

Hansgrohe's eco excellence

Enjoying its 110th anniversary this year, the world-leading shower and bathroom specialist Hansgrohe has much to celebrate.

Designed by Italian architect Antonio Citterio, the new Axor Citterio M range boasts economical water flow and features soft curves linked with flat surfaces. New for 2011 are star-shaped handles as well as three 3-hole wash basin mixers and two 4-hole bath mixers.

Hansgrohe's entire design-led portfolio boasts a comprehensive range of water and energy-saving features including grey water recycling technology, optional heat recovery and sophisticated air injection flow limitation for every one of the company's showers and overheads.

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New male style from Fashionizer

Uniform designer Fashionizer has added three male styles to its natural fibre collection. The male collection is available in black and cream and focuses on garments made in Fashionizer's Cotton Performance Fabric (CPF). This specialist fabric aids breathability to help therapists working closely with clients and is combined with a minimal amount of other fibres with lycra, for flexibility. The fabric is exclusive to Fashionizer and is also said to be excellent at stain release, including oils.

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Ambience with Quintessa Art

Art specialist Quintessa has created a new consultancy for spas, to create customised artwork and concepts.

Bespoke art solutions of any size, colour or material can be provided with delivery promised to match even the most demanding of timescales.

A range of styles are available – from contemporary to traditional – and if the artwork is required for spaces where there is humidity, steam or high temperatures, Quintessa promises to use a range of solutions such as moisture-proof metals and back-lit screens.

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Catalan artistry at The Lido Mar

Porto Montenegro in Tivat, Montenegro has unveiled its new Lido Mar featuring a 3m sculpture by Catalan artist Jaume Plensa.

Suspended above the sea with views of the marina, mountains and the bay of Kotor, the 65m long Lido features a pool, beds, cabanas, a boutique and a lounge area. The palm-tree lined space was designed by architect Richard Hywel Evans, responsible for other luxury retreats including The Pitons in St Lucia. Plensa's sculpture is entitled *8 Possibilities* and is situated at the corner of the Lido.

Porto Montenegro is a luxury marina development. Future plans include a 600-berth marina with 140 berths for superyachts, luxury apartments, hotels, spas, casinos, shopping areas and restaurants.

The Porto Montenegro project is the vision of a group of international investors led by Peter Munk of Toronto, Canada, founder and chair of one of the world's largest gold producers, Barrick Gold.

www.portomontenegro.com
www.jaumeplensa.com



Relax in style with Porteril

Portuguese hydrotherapy company Porteril has created a new hydromassage product called the Lounge Concept Spa. Customised according to individual colour preferences, the straight-lined hydromassage pool comes in two types: the Design Edition, which is equipped with a standard set of jets; and the Comfort Edition, where clients can choose from 11 different combinations of jets.

Other customisable options include colour co-ordinated cushions, chromotherapy LEDs and a choice between three and five seats.

The Lounge Concept Spa can be installed as either an exterior or interior feature.

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KLAFS design study

Initially created as a design study for an international fair, the Vitrium sauna from KLAFS is now available to be built upon request.

Made purely from glass, the Vitrium was developed on the guiding principle 'Relaxation so valuable that it belongs behind glass'.

The concept of a glass sauna cubicle posed design challenges that KLAFS solved by means of invisibly installed lighting to mimic a starry sky, as well as a visible lounge substructure.

The ergonomically formed sauna benches have been created to promote a comfortable lying position and have received the IF Design Award Gold, while a ceiling spotlight accentuates the Majus sauna oven.

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Unique sounds

From Shape Audio comes the Organic Harmony range of premium 'sound sculpture' speakers and sound system.

Cast in polished bronze, sterling silver or 18 carat gold, the metals are said to bear excellent properties for listeners to experience a full paradigm of sound.

Each Organic Harmony product is handmade and can be delivered to the client around six months after the finalised order. Upon delivery, Shape Audio engineers will unpack and install the music system to calibrate it to the individual location and maximise its sound performance.

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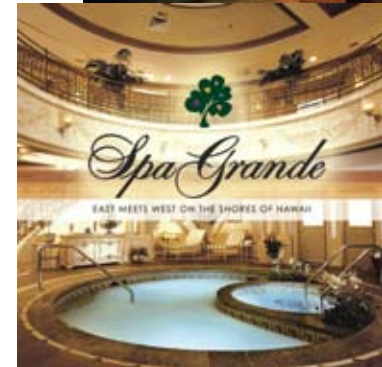
Luxurious pampering with the Arima spa bath

Italian wellbeing specialist Glass Idromassaggio has unveiled its new Arima product, designed to pamper and nourish the body. It can be used as either an exterior or an interior spa bath.

Available as a built-in product (below) or as a floor-standing version, the Arima can be equipped with a choice of three spa systems: airpool, whirlpool or a combination of the two. Characterised by its flowing surroundings complete with bubble patterns, the Arima has been created to be a tactile and soft piece of equipment and is available in four shades: charcoal grey; french grey; tortora; and white. The surround collects the overflowing water which is then filtered and re-circulated, while the bath's hidden technology includes an integrated heater to ensure a constant water temperature – balanced for the most beneficial effect on the skin as well as chromotherapy as standard.

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Feeding the senses

Water Music Records has created a new division, Private Label Music, to ensure spas have a truly unique sound and competitive edge with their own 'signature sound' album.

The new division has already created unique musical ambience for a number of spa owners and operators including Ritz Carlton, Oberoi and Relais & Chateaux while their latest CD was created for the Four Seasons George V Hotel in Paris. For more examples, visit the website.

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Chapeau by Teuco

Designed by Angeletti & Ruzza for Teuco, the new Chapeau shower enclosure is intended to be as light and airy as an enclosure and as comfortable and functional as a cabin.

Boasting an upper roof to close off the showering area, the envelopment helps to prevent the dispersion of steam into the surrounding area. The roof also houses a large overhead rain shower with the option to host a lighting system to enhance further the shower or steam experience.

It is also possible to equip the Chapeau – which is available in six different sizes – with a Turkish bath facility which comes with an integrated steam outlet to provide further relaxation and health benefits.

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