

Aston Martin's first powerboat set for launch

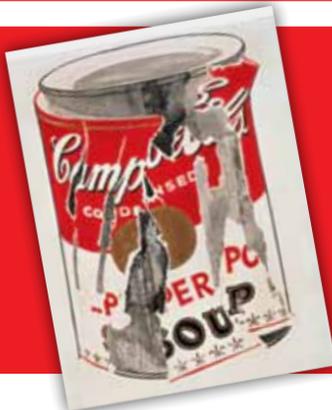
ASTON MARTIN AND QUINTESSENCE YACHTS have revealed details of the luxury brand's first powerboat. Being unveiled at the Monaco Yacht Show this month, the 37-foot AM37 has a sliding deck that can cover the cockpit. It also features integrated navigation, control monitor and entertainment systems with voice activation; a 15-inch HD touchscreen dashboard; and air conditioning, a fridge and an espresso machine that can be controlled remotely. Conceived with Dutch naval architects Mulder Design, it will come in two versions capable of hitting speeds of 44 and 52 knots respectively. The vessel can now be ordered, although the price has not yet been revealed. astonmartin.com, quintessenceyachts.com



Major new museum opens in Los Angeles

CONTEMPORARY ART MUSEUM THE BROAD opens in Los Angeles on September 20. The US\$140 million Diller Scofidio and Renfro-designed building is located downtown on Grand Avenue and will house almost 2,000 works from the collection of Eli and Edythe Broad. Artists represented include Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein, Jasper Johns, Jeff Koons and Jean-Michel Basquiat. thebroad.org

ANDY WARHOL, SMALL TORN CAMPBELL'S SOUP CAN, ELI AND EDYTHE BROAD COLLECTION



Tailleur Paris comes to London

A SISTER RESTAURANT to the two Michelin-starred Le Taillevent in Paris is set to open on London's Cavendish Square this month. Les 110 de Taillevent will be a 70-cover brasserie focusing on wine and food pairings with 110 labels available by the glass to accompany the contemporary French menu. Diners will be offered a choice of four wines in 70ml or 125ml measures to match each dish in their four-course meal. There will also be a "wine time" menu of small plates in the early evenings. les-110-taillevent-london.com



DINING

Luxury Collection lands in Bodrum

STARWOOD HAS OPENED its first property in Bodrum, Turkey. Caresse, a Luxury Collection Resort and Spa, has 84 sea-facing rooms and suites, a beach, an infinity pool, a 1,600 sqm spa, two restaurants, a sushi bar, tennis and basketball courts. There is also a yacht for private excursions. The property is part of a development encompassing residences, a beach club, dining and retail outlets. luxurycollection.com/caresse



ESCAPE



WATCH Time travel: Porsche Chronotimer Series 1

HEADQUARTERED IN SOLOTHURN, SWITZERLAND, Porsche Design has a new Chronotimer Collection for 2015. Building on the matt black Chronograph I from the 1970s, the range comes in various colours (dials in black, white, carbon or deep blue; bezels in black, titanium or 18-carat rose gold), materials (titanium, carbon) and strap options (leather, rubber and high-tech fabric).

Inspired by the non-reflective instruments in a racing cockpit (matt black, except the white numerals and hands), the double-sided, seven-layer-coated, non-reflective sapphire crystal minimises glare – good for tired eyes. Below is the polished black 42mm-diameter model with titanium carbide coating and a 48-hour power reserve. Date indication is at three o'clock; three chronograph sub-dials offer minutes at 12 o'clock, hours at six o'clock and running seconds at nine. A black-tinted sapphire crystal case back allows a view of the movement. £3,550; porsche-design.com



COGNAC Hennessy marks 250 years with master blend

HENNESSY HAS RELEASED a Collectors' Blend to celebrate its 250th anniversary. Some 250 barrels have been produced, each with 250 litres of the cognac, which has been matured in wide-grained Limousin-wood casks to add a hint of vanilla and oak. Each litre bottle is presented in a crystal decanter. Available at Harrods, Harvey Nichols and Fortnum and Mason; £360. hennessy.com



Anantara to open hotel in Sri Lanka

LUXURY GROUP ANANTARA is due to launch its first Sri Lankan hotel late next month. The Anantara Tangalle Peace Haven resort is set in a 17-hectare beachfront coconut plantation on the island's southern coast. It will have 152 rooms and villas, a selection of restaurants, a 25-metre pool, and a spa offering Ayurvedic treatments and reflexology, with yoga, meditation, pilates and tai chi classes available in-room or on the beach. tangalle.anantara.com



RESORT

Six Senses opens Portugal property

SPA AND HOTEL GROUP SIX SENSES has opened its first European resort in Portugal. The 57-room Six Senses Douro Valley is situated in a 19th-century manor house in the UNESCO World Heritage area that's known as the home of Port wine. Its 2,200 sqm spa has ten treatment rooms, half of which overlook the surrounding vineyards, as well as a laconium, pool, steam room and sauna. The property also has two restaurants and a wine library. sixsenses.com

Cloudy Bay pops up at Oxo Tower

NEW ZEALAND WINERY CLOUDY BAY is teaming up with London's Oxo Tower restaurant this month. A six-course fine-dining tasting menu is available on the pop-up Cloudy Bay terrace, with each dish matched to one of the vineyard's wines, such as Pelorus NV sparkling, its signature pinot noir, and the rarer Te Koko sauvignon blanc. Available for lunch before 1.30pm and dinner before 9pm daily except Saturdays; £95 per person. Cloudy Bay was a winning winery in *Business Traveller's* 2014 Cellars in the Sky airline wine awards. cloudybay.co.nz, harveynichols.com/restaurant/the-oxo-tower



WINE



EXHIBITION

Ai Weiwei show opens at Royal Academy

LONDON'S ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS launches a landmark Ai Weiwei exhibition this month. The Chinese artist has created new installations for the show, which presents works from 1993 onwards, when Ai returned to his home country after 12 years in the US. Exhibits include *Straight*, made from 90 tonnes of steel recovered from the 2008 Sichuan earthquake, and *Remains*, a new porcelain work replicating bones excavated from the site of a Mao-era labour camp. September 19 to December 13; entry £17.60; royalacademy.org.uk



FLIGHT

BA bound for Costa Rica

BRITISH AIRWAYS WILL LAUNCH a new route from Gatwick to the Costa Rican capital of San José on May 4 next year. The B777 service will run twice a week (Wednesday and Sunday) in the summer and thrice-weekly (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) in the winter. Hotel brands with properties in Costa Rica include Andaz, Four Seasons, JW Marriott and Westin. ba.com

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