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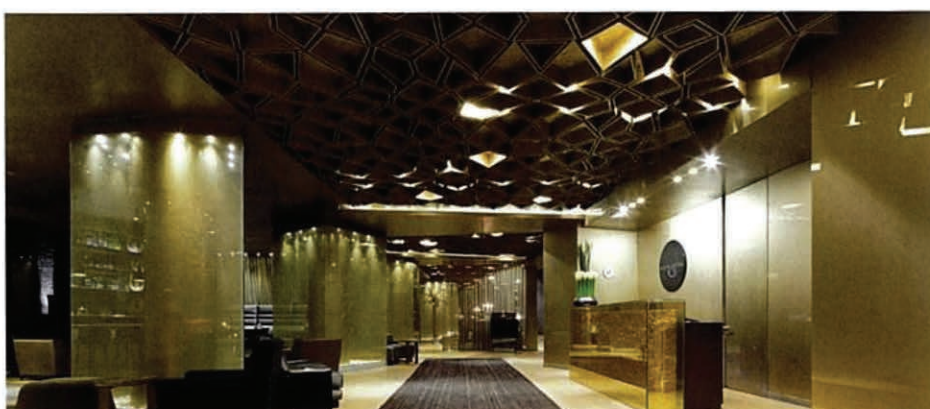
DESIGN HOTELS
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B.O.G. Hotel

WHERE	ROOMS
Bogotá	55
Colombia	
MEMBER SINCE	RATES
10/2011	USD 260–600
ARCHITECTURE	MEET THE ORIGINAL
Guillermo Arias	Nini Andrade Silva
(Octubre)	
DESIGN	
Nini Andrade Silva	

With a design inspired by two of Colombia's richest minerals—gold and emeralds—the geometric B.O.G. Hotel, in the north of Bogotá, is a perfect base from which to explore this burgeoning city. All 55 rooms by award-winning designer Nini Andrade Silva focus on golden tones, greens, grays, and beige combined with natural stone, bronze, mirrors, mosaics, and tinted glass to create pared-down and restful spaces. The in-room decor is intentionally simple, yet every comfort is ensured, including soundproofed windows, 500-thread linens, and bathroom products and scents exclusively designed for the hotel. After a day discovering the vibrant surroundings, the rooftop's heated

swimming pool offers a welcome respite, with views over the city. B.O.G. Hotel is also home to one of Colombia's best restaurants, helmed by internationally renowned chef Ramón Freixa, which aims to preserve and enhance the country's gastronomic heritage, using traditional ingredients to create fusion dishes that blend international flavors with long-standing, local recipes. Located in the exclusive neighborhood of La Cabrera, the B.O.G. Hotel is surrounded by the main luxury shops of the city, the biggest financial district in the country, and a wide range of food and cultural venues that guests can enjoy during their stay. —



Furnas Boutique Hotel, Thermal & Spa

"I love all things gastronomic. I love to visit places where things originate. I go to Italy to see the white truffles. I go to Galicia, Spain, to see the best cows for T-bone steak. I travel the world to taste many wines."

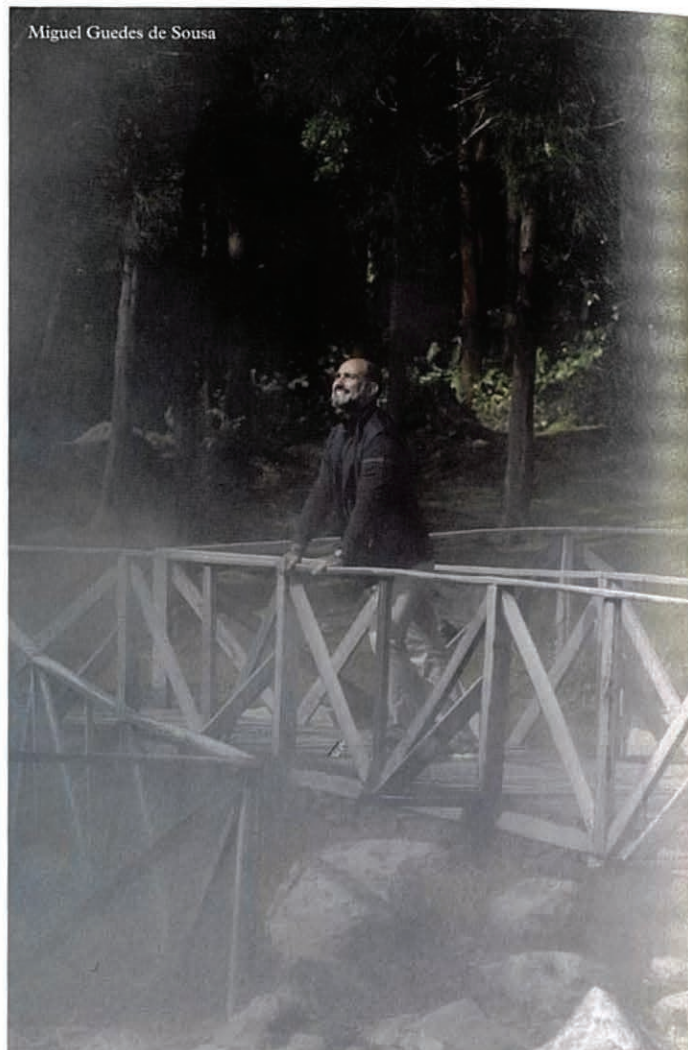
If the author of this quote, Miguel Guedes de Sousa, sounds like someone you'd like to travel with, then you are in luck. As the CEO of DHM—Discovery Hotel Management, Guedes de Sousa is the heart and soul behind the stunning new Furnas Boutique Hotel, Thermal & Spa in the Azores archipelago off the coast of Portugal. Which means his spirit for adventure and his quest for original experiences translates into the adventures and experiences that his guests have.

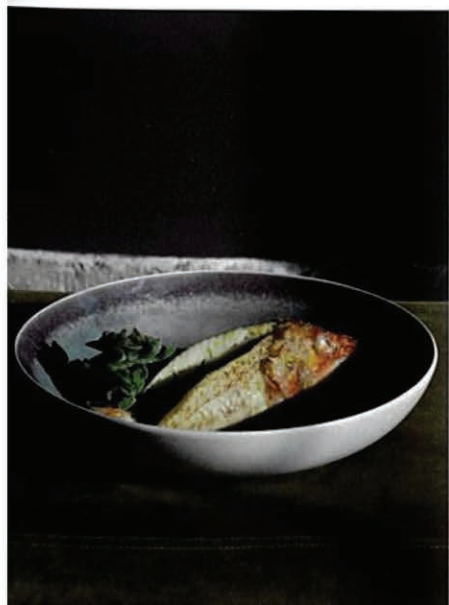
And the hotel's setting couldn't be more advantageous for experiencing the unique. The Azores archipelago, in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, is one of the last truly untouched places in Europe, with nine pristine volcanic islands, vast verdant canopies featuring every type of flora and fauna imaginable, thermal water springs, lagoons, and prismatic marine life. And here on São Miguel, the largest and lushest of these islands, one finds Furnas, which serves as both a gateway to the island's many wonders and a reinvigorating retreat.

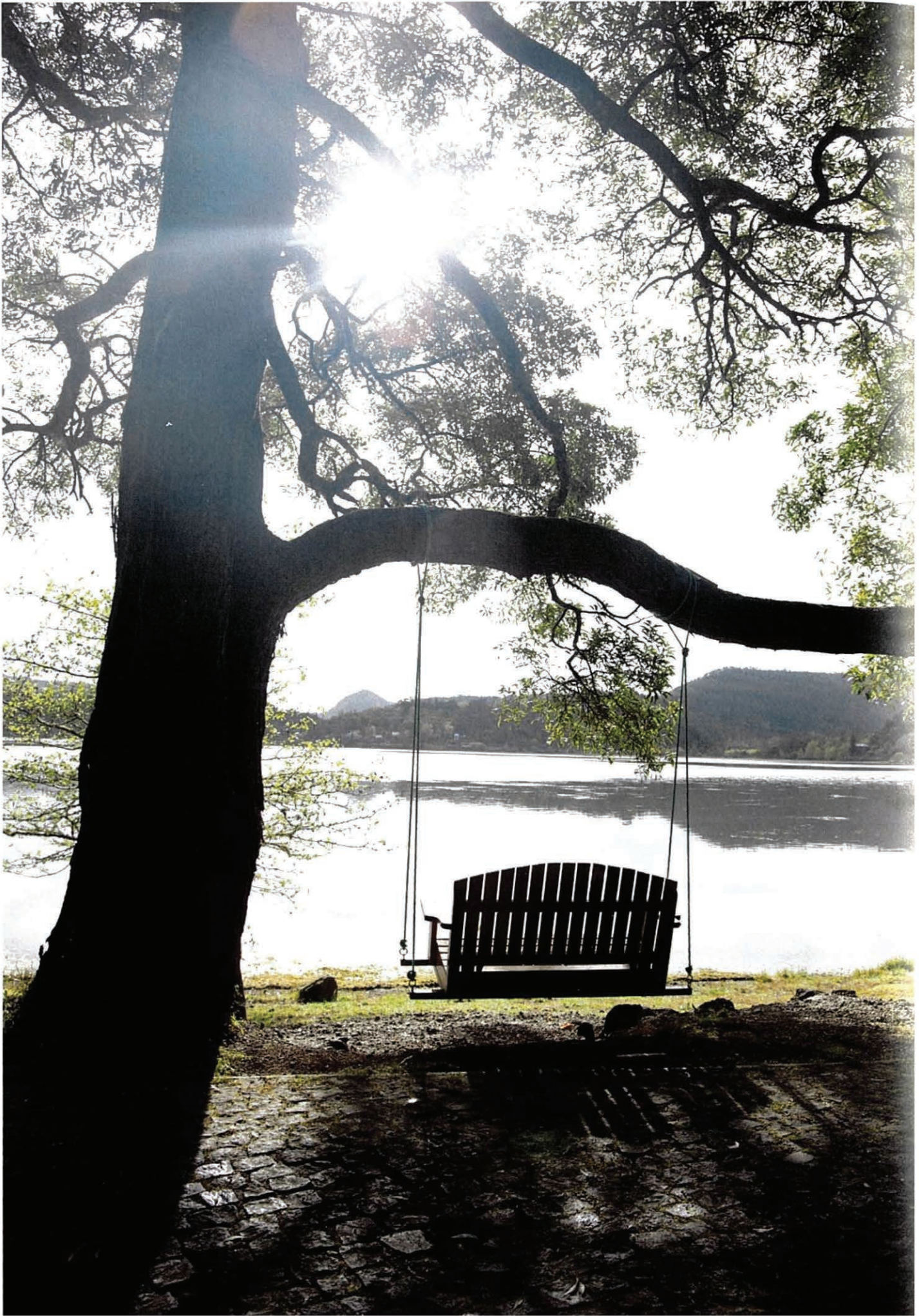
And wondrous it is. São Miguel—or, as locals have coined it, "The Green Island"—offers stunning hiking and mountain biking, as well as whale watching tours for the aquatically inclined. Nearby Furnas Lagoon and Poca da Dona Beija hot springs boast the region's most sought-after attractions: warm waters and vapors said to hold healing properties.

Indeed, you might just say that the healing is in the air here. Before Furnas Boutique Hotel, Thermal & Spa came to be, it was a thermal center. Today, this salubrious spirit lives on at the hotel with its luxurious on-site thermal circuit spa, complete with sauna, hammam, outdoor and indoor swimming pool, and deliciously relaxing treatments.

Restoring the old thermal center of the Furnas municipality and expanding it for the hotel was a challenging task that Saraiva + Associados, one of the world's largest architectural practices, was thrilled to have. The simple but arresting solution was to add a neutral metal structure in anthracite gray to the existing edifice and then fill it in with glass panels, thereby maintaining the building's original character and providing the glorious scenery outside center stage. The natural heritage of São Miguel is reflected in the materials chosen for the project, such as basalt stone on the exterior walls and interior flooring.







WHERE
São Miguel, Azores
Portugal

MEMBER SINCE
03/2015

ARCHITECTURE
Saraiva +
Associates

DESIGN
Nini Andrade
Silva

ROOMS
54

RATES
EUR 148–256

MEET THE ORIGINAL
Miguel Guedes
de Sousa

Celebrated Portuguese designer Nini Andrade Silva, meanwhile, works her magic in the hotel's nature-inspired interiors with whimsical touches, such as huge photographs used as wallpaper that create dramatic realism and echo the region's natural bounty. The lobby market is the soul of the hotel with a reception, lounge, restaurant, and grocery store featuring local products. And in the À Terra restaurant, large communal tables perfectly capture the social concept here of food sharing.

And at Furnas, social is key. There is as much a sense of friendship as there is hospitality. Perhaps Guedes de Sousa's attitude sums up that feeling best. "I receive guests in my hotels in the same way as I receive friends into my house," he says. "We think of our guests as family. For example, in our hotels breakfast never closes. We serve what you want any time you want it." Or put another way, at Furnas Boutique Hotel, Thermal & Spa the spirit of adventure, wellness, and welcome lives on. —

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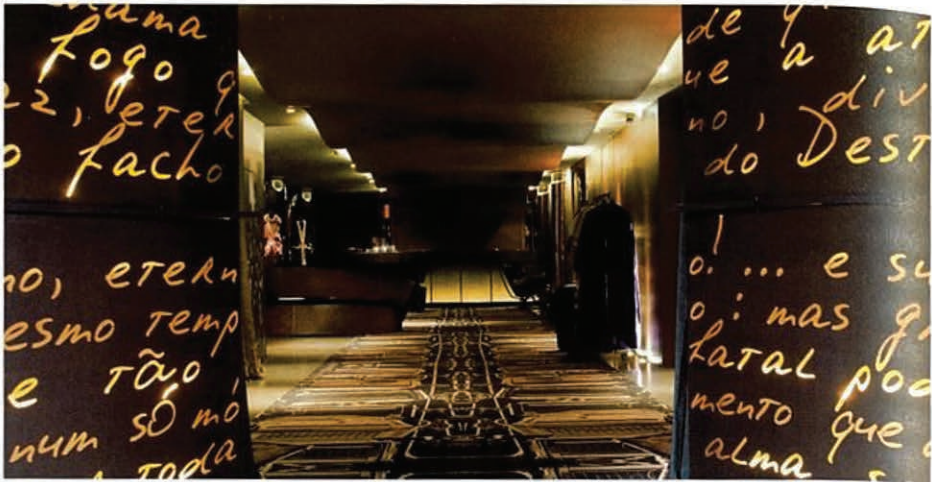
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Hotel Teatro

In the center of the beautiful and historic Portuguese city of Porto, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Hotel Teatro is an elegant innovation set in shades of bronze and gold. Drawing connections to the former site of the revered 1859 Teatro Baquet, which was destroyed by a fire in 1888, the internationally celebrated designer Nini Andrade Silva reflects the spirit of the hotel's theatrical and spectacular roots, while conveying an ultimately stylish and contemporary urbanity.

WHERE	ROOMS
Porto	74
Portugal	
MEMBER SINCE	RATES
03/2010	EUR 94–321
ARCHITECTURE	MEET THE ORIGINAL
Eduardo Miguel Brito Nogueira (NN Arquitetura e Planeamento)	Nini Andrade Silva
DESIGN	
Nini Andrade Silva	



Farol Design Hotel

This luxurious seaside retreat on the beautiful Portuguese Riviera is nestled between the powdered sands of Guincho beach and the picturesque fishing village of Cascais. Guestrooms in this modern transformation of the Count of Cabral's 19th-century mansion were "dressed" by Portugal's fashion elite. The excellent culinary offerings include sensational Mediterranean signature cuisine as well as the mind-blowing Sushi Design, creating an unforgettable sensorial experience with an enviable ocean view. The bliss of the saltwater swimming pool and a delightful cocktail at sunset provide a magical rest by the Atlantic.

WHERE	ROOMS
Cascais	33
Portugal	
MEMBER SINCE	RATES
08/2001	EUR 156–608
ARCHITECTURE	MEET THE ORIGINAL
Cooper Marmal Dine	Mark Leivikov