

The Hotel Wizard

It's tartans and true luxury this month, says Fiona Duncan

ON THE TRAVEL RADAR

» In the heart of Capability Brown's parkland around Burghley House, the Dairy has just been unveiled after extensive restoration as a spectacular holiday home, sleeping ten, with interiors by Thomas Hamel. ruralretreats.co.uk

My favourite hotel bath products? Bramley. Latest addition to the range are two heavenly diffusers, Soothing and Uplifting. bramleyproducts.co.uk

» Luxury and wellbeing united under blue Provençal skies with Red Savannah's new Body Revival, a curated retreat focusing on gut health, nutrition and foraging at private villa La Colline Fleurie. 17–23 September, from £2,680. redsavannah.com







ON YOUR (ELECTRIC) BIKE

Ever tried an electric bike? You may never want to use pedal power alone again. Electric (as well as normal) bikes are available to rent from Port Bike Mallorca, perfect for exploring the city, but make sure you take a guide along too. Two hours cycling without the effort, plus happy chat and a great insight into the life of a Mallorquin, perhaps Alvaro, who doubles as a tennis pro and a university student in term time, makes a tour with a difference. +34 971 781 512; portbikemallorca.com



Sant Francesc Hotel Singular, Palma

- Just 15 minutes from the airport yet in the heart of the old town...
- 2 ... right next to the Basilica Sant Francesc, with its lovely cloisters and delicately carved façade.
- The artful, elegant transformation of a 19th-century house into a 42-room hotel: a modern vibe in a period shell.
- 4 The original central courtyard, with its enclosed glass and wood first-floor gallery.
- The calm, almost sepulchral atmosphere. Come here for tranquility, not a party.
- The wall in my bedroom that slides back to reveal a sleek bathroom.
- The silkiest of Egyptian cotton bed linen and softest of pillows.
- Naking to the muffled sound of church bells announcing the hour.
- 9 Complimentary welcome drinks and a dip in the pool on the rooftop terrace.
- 10 Lolling on a sunlounger and picking at sushi with Palma's magisterial cathedral in full view.

Doubles from £243. hotelsantfrancesc.com. Flights to Palma de Mallorca from Southampton and Exeter from £50.99 one way. flybe.com

