

Desert Destination

PALM SPRINGS Kitsch becomes cool when a struggling Holiday Inn in Palm Springs gets a makeover from hospitality groups Joie de Vivre (Custom Hotel, Good Hotel) and Sydell Group (Ace Hotel Palm Springs). The reveal: Saguaro, a rainbow-bright new hot spot designed by NYC firm Stamberg Aferiat Architecture; 1800 E. Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, jdvhotels.com/hotels/saguaro_palmsprings.



The Wanderer

SOMA Interior designer Jiun Ho has traveled to 94 countries and hasn't left a single one empty-handed. His favorite finds now share a home with his custom pieces, a choice selection of antiques and commissioned items from local designers at **Jiun Ho de Jia**, a new 11,000-square-foot showroom in SF; 1180 Folsom St., SF, jiunhodejia.com.



Search Party

MID-CITY, LA For LA vintage hounds, there are dozens of flea markets that offer the thrill of the hunt. But if you are in need of that perfect piece and aren't in the mood to dig for it among stacks of scratched records, chipped dishes and discarded kids' toys, head over to Espionage, where owner Taylor King has done all the detective work for you; 7456 Beverly BIVd., LA, soespionage.com.

Cultured Cup

FINANCIAL DISTRICT, SF Java's Third Wave (think single-cup brews and pedigreed beans) is epitomized at Coffee Bar, which architects jones | haydu say is essentially a stage for brewing. The 500-square-foot space was wrapped in wood panels punctuated with vertical lights. Wide Caesarstone countertops and a gleaming Strada espresso machine emphasize that here, the barista is king; 101 Montgomery St., SF, coffeebar-usa.com.



Putting on the Ritz

NOB HILL The Ritz-Carlton rises from the top of Nob Hill like a neoclassical Roman palace. But cross the threshold into Parallel 37, the reimagined restaurant from chef Ron Siegel, and a more modern aesthetic reigns. Designed by EDG Interior Architecture and Design, the new space features plenty of live-edge reclaimed woods, backlit glass panels and sleek leather banquettes embossed with a playful plaid; 600 Stockton St., SF, parallel37sf.com.

