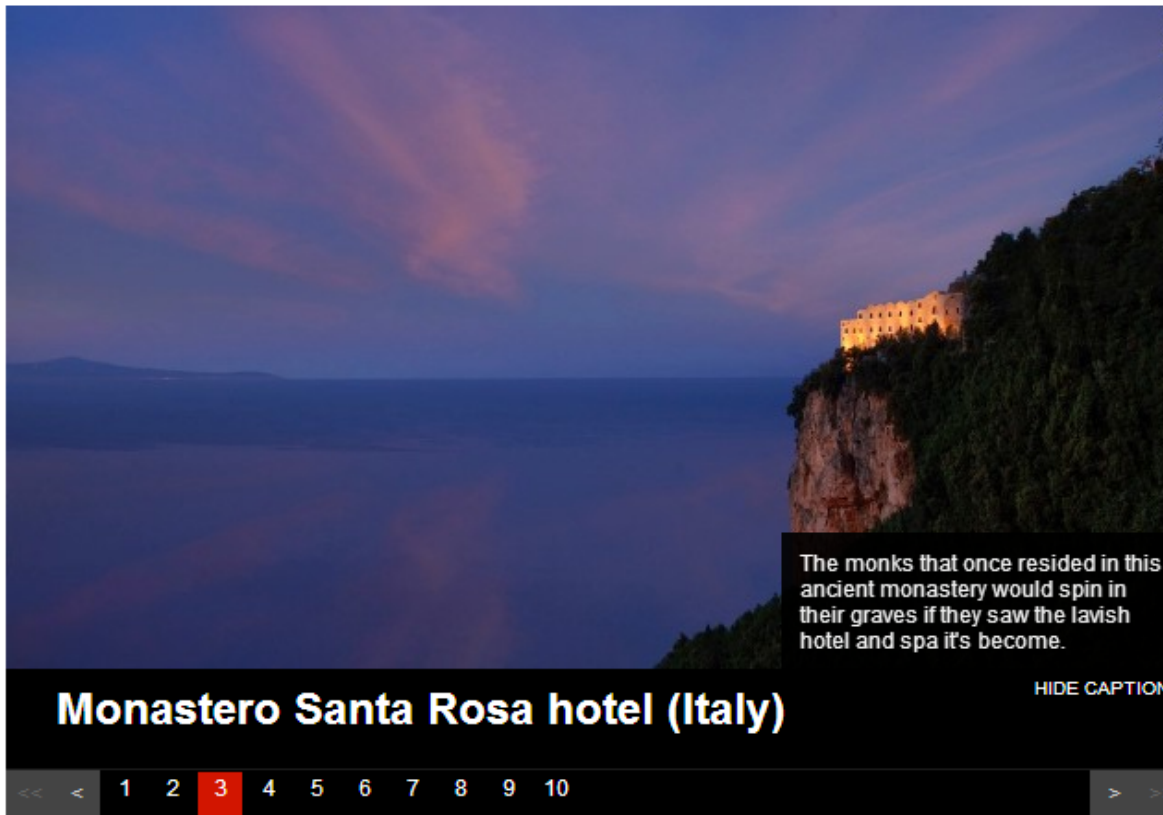


Dream destinations for 2014

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(CNN) -- When a big chunk of your job involves editing stories about other people's incredible journeys, it doesn't take long for the ol' travel itch to flare up.

Wanderlust kicks in.

You spend hours fantasizing about the places you'd go if you had unlimited time and money.

In an effort to purge some of that desk-bound day dreaming, the CNN Travel crew put together its own 2014 dream vacation wish list.



The Amalfi coast. A view that never gets old.

Monastero Santa Rosa hotel and spa (Italy)

The nuns that once resided in this ancient monastery would spin in their graves if they saw the lavish hotel and spa it's become today.

For the bored-of-everything traveler, the newly opened Monastero Santa Rosa sets a new standard of expectation, from centuries-old history and a clifftop setting to an extensive wine list and sublime infinity pool overlooking the Amalfi coast.

The scene is completed with church bells ringing in the distance.

The 860-square-foot private Spa Suite has its own spa, lounge and dressing rooms.

Though you might never want to leave the room, the hotel has rock saunas, pomegranate-infused foot spas and heated mosaic loungers in a vaulted Roman bath.

When the pampering gets old, you can hit the road for the Amalfi coast, stopping by little towns to shop for silk and leather goods.

Monastero Santa Rosa, Via Roma 2, Conca dei Marini, Italy; +39 089 832 1199; rooms start at €390 (\$530) during low season

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