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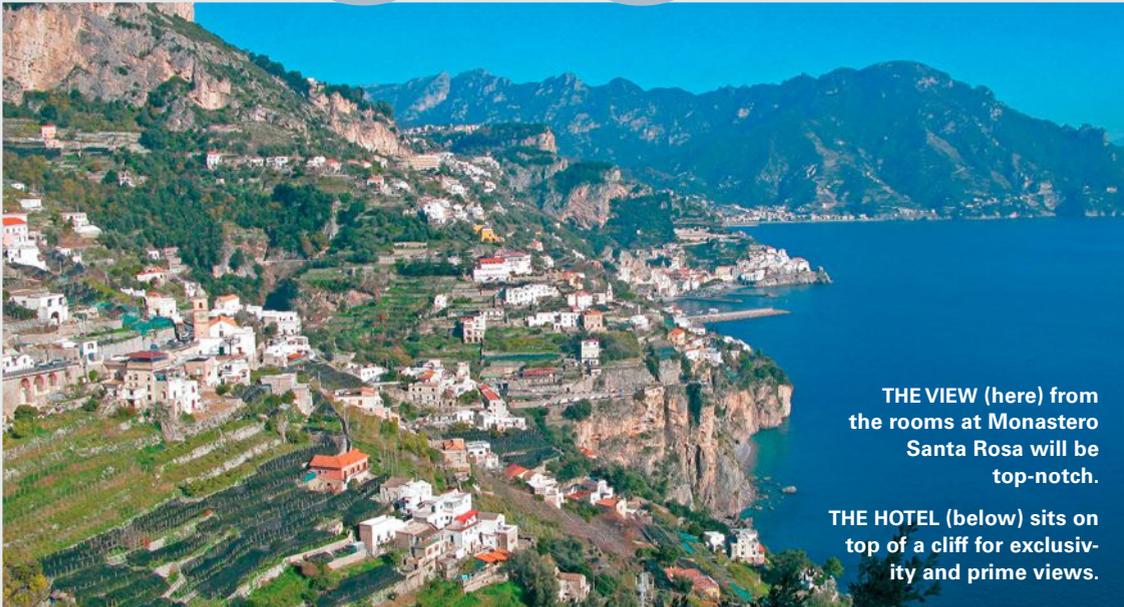
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THE VIEW (here) from the rooms at Monastero Santa Rosa will be top-notch.

THE HOTEL (below) sits on top of a cliff for exclusivity and prime views.

Monastero Santa Rosa

Need a new hideaway in Italy? We've got one on the Amalfi Coast, just for you. The tiny **Monastero Santa Rosa Hotel & Spa** (www.monasterosantarosa.com), a 17th-century monastery, is being spiffed up and restored and will open in May.

Location, location, location: Set between Positano and Amalfi, the hotel has 20 seaview guest rooms and suites, a spa, a heated infinity pool, gardens, and a special herb garden spread out over five terraced levels.

While all of the rooms sound fantastic, we're excited by the Sea View Deluxe Terrace Suite, which will have a seafront terrace and a walk-in closet. The Sea View Premium Suite will have those features as well as a separate dining room and an additional armoire (great for longer stays or shopping excursions, we say). And the Sea View Penthouse Suite, which spreads out over two levels, will include a large living and dining room with fireplace, a large terrace overlooking the sea, a sepa-

rate bar, upstairs bedroom, and a walk-in closet.

The spa will have historic vaulted ceilings and rustic-styled walls to maintain the character of the original rooms. When guests enter, they will be escorted first to the changing room and then to the spa's thermal suite, which interconnects a series of historical monastic spaces. This includes a double-height vaulted Tepidarium (a warm relaxing room) with heated benches and whirlpool footbaths, a domed herbal steam room, a crushed ice fountain to refresh between thermal baths, a wood sauna, hydrotherapy pool and "experience showers." Nice Touch: Outdoor treatments are served up in a charming garden suite.

Wedding specialists, take note: A 12th-century chapel is connected to the hotel by a garden, and both are available for ceremonies. In fact, the entire property can be taken over for weddings or other celebrations.

Luxury travel advisors should reach out to General Manager Flavio Colantuoni (flavioc@monasterosantarosa.com) or Front Office Manager Pompeo Amendola (pompeoa@monasterosantarosa.com). Advisors can also contact the property's U.S. representative, Wendy Wegner (212-756-8888). We hear the hotel is waiting to join any luxury associations until after it's opened. —Jena Tesse Fox

One&Only Le Saint Gérân in Mauritius named Charles de Foucault as its GM. de Foucault hails from AYANA Resort & Spa in Bali where he was also GM. His career kicked off with Ritz-Carlton, where he spent over 17 years honing his skills. All queries to him are fielded by Laurent Odillard Laurent. Odillard@oneandonlyle-saintgeran.co www.oneandonlyresorts.com

Lufthansa launched private jet service to the North American market, building upon the popular product that is already operated in Europe in conjunction with NetJets Europe. Perks include a single point of contact for all passenger needs, a personal escort and VIP transfer service between the long-haul Lufthansa and Private Jet flights. Email serviceteam-us@lufthansa-private-jet.com for more information. www.lufthansa.com/private-jet

Abercrombie & Kent USA named Phil Otterson as president, reporting directly to Ian Coghlan, CEO, Abercrombie & Kent Travel, in London. Otterson retired from a long career at Tauck in 2009 to establish Cragmont Baron Group, a consulting firm. He replaces Scott Wiseman, who has left the company. www.abercrombiekent.com

