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Vegas has hit the makeover jackpot

As major renovations debut this summer, we look at Sin City's most striking new design touches



The Palms' \$620 million overhaul is adding new art across the property

ARTWORKS PARK MGM

Formerly known as the Monte Carlo, the remodeled resort was inspired by the earthy eclecticism of the NoMad hotel brand, which will open an outpost on the upper four floors. Each of the resort's 2,700 rooms will feature an assemblage of art curated by Parisian studio Be-poles. Andrew Zabler, founder and CEO of Park MGM developer Sydell Group, says, "The art in each case ties to the locality—not so much the Strip, but more the greater landscape around Las Vegas—and goes off in several other unexpected directions to inspire guests."

FITTING ROOM THE COSMOPOLITAN

It's only been seven years since The Cosmopolitan first arrived on the Strip, but owners Blackstone Group are already freshening up the rooms with such details as blush-worthy wallpaper designs and chic dressing areas. Paulynn Aguilar, the hotel's executive director of design, says the new rooms' oak closet doors with brass inlays were an extravagant addition. "They were the most expensive element we added to the rooms," she says, "but I think they add a sophistication you don't normally find in a hotel room."

RELAXATION STATION THE PALMS

While the entire resort is undergoing a massive makeover, adding such amenities as an artfully reimagined pool complex and restaurants by Bobby Flay, Michael Symon and Marc Vetri, special attention was paid to the hotel room bathrooms. "We designed them with pampering in mind: wall-to-wall marble with a large walk-in shower or soaking tub," says Denise Pan, project lead at Avenue Interior Design. Her favorite element is the new Zebrino marble with "gorgeous veining in soft grey and warm gold tones."

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L.A. is Saved by the Bell

A recreation of the sitcom's diner lets you eat like Screech

The Max, the after-school hangout from the beloved 1990s sitcom *Saved by the Bell*, is coming to California. The neon-hued pop-up features a tongue-in-cheek menu, featuring the Mac & Screech and the Lisa Turtle milkshake. After a sold-out run in Chicago, L.A.'s version will have replicas of Principal Belding's office and a Bayside High hallway lined with lockers. Inside, fans will find Kelly Kapowski's heart-shaped George Michael photo and Zack Morris' brick cell phone. *Saved by the Bell* co-founder Derek Berry concedes that they "have to replace props almost daily" because fans get "so excited" stepping inside their favorite TV show. That sounds worthy of detention.

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- Bally's Las Vegas
- Caesars Palace
- Flamingo Las Vegas
- Harrah's Las Vegas
- The Palazzo
- Stratosphere
- The Westin Las Vegas