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20 style destinations for 2008

The freshest hotels, the most stylish resorts, the smartest bars and the big new launches



Hodges Bay, Antigua

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Making an entrance is big this year – you can paraglide into Zighy Bay, in Oman, or take a husky sleigh to the Other Side, in Norway. Hoteliers are also going that extra mile – Robert De Niro is considering laying down special creaky floorboards to add character to his new Manhattan hotel, and Giorgio Armani is looking at air conditioning for the beach of his Dubai property. For guaranteed cool, follow our guide to 20 of the trendiest trips for 2008.

Unless stated, packages are per person for a week, B&B, based on two sharing, including flights from London

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If you can't afford the Greenwich's rates, TriBeCa has just welcomed the Duane Street Hotel (964 4600, www.duanestreethotel.com) – affordable (doubles from £120) and unintimidatingly modern. Uptown, the iconic Plaza (759 3000, www.theplaza.com; doubles from £370) is emerging from a dazzling £230m remake, with white-gloved butlers and 24-carat gold taps.