



This Hotel Breathes New Life into Historic Cognac Distillery in France

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As the latest edition to [Almae Collection](#), [La Nauve Hôtel et Jardin](#) debuts in Cognac, France. The luxurious property takes up a former distillery, incorporating the historic bones of the Belle Epoque mansion into a modern and refined hotel. The entrance hall harkens back to a different era with a grand staircase dramatically lit by contemporary chandeliers in hues of blue and white.



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The new property features 12 spacious rooms, including one junior suite, all with delicate furnishings and unique touches, like beds and headboards made from the roots of local Sequoia trees.

La Nauve Hôtel et Jardin’s culinary outlet uses the finest local ingredients, including homegrown herbs and vegetables from the gardens. In addition to excellent wines and cognacs of the region, Notes is a fine-dining destination combining gourmet cuisine with warm hospitality. In the restored distillery building on the property, guests can enter Brasserie des Flâneurs, a restaurant serving elegant dishes concocted by chef Anthony Carballo. In winter, the space lights up with fireplaces for a cozy atmosphere. In the summer, guests can dine in the garden.



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Also within the hotel, guests can sample up to 70 hand-selected bottles of cognac to delight in a custom cognac cocktail created by bar manager Antoine and his secret batch recipes. With nearly 200 cognac producers in the area, guests can visit big names like Hennessy, Rémy Martin and Martell, as well as journey to Delamain to experience an exclusive visit to the cellars.

A stay in the French countryside isn’t complete without views or access to pristine gardens, and the hotel’s 12 acres of gardens provide guests with a quiet oasis. Guests can read a book, enjoy a private picnic or practice yoga at various spots.



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The gardens boast a century-old Sequoia tree, small canal, fruit trees, vegetable garden, rose bushes and a path down to the Charente River, where guests can enjoy use of a private boat and canoes. In the summer, an alfresco pool awaits guests, while e-bikes are also available for further exploration of the area beyond the grounds.

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