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HEATH OPENS IN LOS ANGELES

SHOPPING To mark its 50th anniversary, HEATH CERAMICS is opening a retail facility, designed by Commune, in Los Angeles. For the venture, Heath partnered with Atwater Pottery's Adam Silverman, who will manage the shop as well as direct an in-house ceramics studio and gallery. Silverman and visiting artists will offer their hand-thrown pieces alongside Heath's dinnerware line, which includes items from the Winter 2008 collection (below and right). "It's an exciting step that expands our business while also expanding our creativity," says Heath co-owner Catherine Bailey. *Heath Ceramics, 7525 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90035, 323.965.0800, heathceramics.com*



Rooftop Redesign

HOTEL "We took our cue from the relaxed and understated elegance of THE PENINSULA, while incorporating a youthful and fresh approach to color and materials," designer Cheryl Rowley says of the new look she gave to the Beverly Hills hotel's ROOFTOP GARDEN. Working in a palette of "cool grey and warm coral," Rowley furnished the rooftop's new dining area, cabanas (top) and firepit seating area (above) with chairs from Janus et Cie's woven Loom Collection. Tables and chaises from the company's latest Azimuth line surround the pool. *The Peninsula Beverly Hills, 9882 S. Santa Monica Blvd., CA 90212, 310.551.2888, peninsula.com +*

Rocky Mountain Green



ECO-STYLE In building its new headquarters in Healey, Idaho, ROCKY MOUNTAIN HARDWARE exercised the environmentally responsible practices that have long driven the company's sought-after bronze products. Combining recycled and locally harvested materials with energy- and water-efficient systems garnered the structure (left) LEED Gold certification. *Rocky Mountain Hardware, 888.788.2013, rockymountainhardware.com*

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Eco Escapes

Six destinations in the West that combine smart design, luxurious amenities and sustainable practices guests can feel good about **by BRUCE GREENLAW**

1 **HOTEL MONACO PORTLAND** PORTLAND, OREGON The Kimpton Hotel & Restaurant Group offers more than forty boutique hotels in the U.S. and British Columbia, including the Hotel Monaco Portland. The urban escape inhabits a ten-story downtown building that opened its doors in 1912 as the distinguished Lipman and Wolfe department store. Cheryl Rowley Design completed a dramatic interior makeover in 2007. The pet pampering hotel received a RecycleWorks Award for recycling and sustainability from the City of Portland, and all Kimpton hotels participate in the EarthCare program launched by the company in 2005 to foster a nonintrusive green mentality. 888.207.2201; monacoportland.com. 2 **NIMMO BAY RESORT** PORT McNEILL, BRITISH COLUMBIA To reach Nimmo Bay Resort, you normally fly to Vancouver International Airport, catch a Pacific Coastal Airlines flight to Port Hardy near the top of Vancouver Island and then board a helicopter, which whisks you to a remote cove on the mainland. You touch down on a helipad

at the water's edge, among nine carefully sited chalets and a floating lodge and bakery. Nimmo Bay is all about memorable helicopter excursions, with 50,000 square miles of wilderness and Inside Passage waterways serving as the playground. Choose between heli fishing and heli rafting, or take a custom heli-venture to sample several guided activities every day. The seasonal resort is powered by a 36 kilowatt hydroelectric generator driven by an on-site waterfall, recycles its garbage, treats its sewage, and limits and offsets carbon emissions. It has also partnered with local First Nations tribes to develop a culturally sensitive eco-tourism program. 800.837.4354; nimmobay.com. 3 **THE LODGE AT SUN RANCH** CAMERON, MONTANA Located in pastoral Madison River Valley, the 26,000 acres of Sun Ranch have fed cattle since the 1800s. Today, Sun Ranch is a model of holistic ranching. Working with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, the ranch has eliminated more than 40 miles of wildlife-unfriendly barbed wire so that five thousand elk can migrate freely from



nearby Yellowstone National Park. An innovative program promotes coexistence between cattle and the resident grey wolves, and the ranch has helped Trout Unlimited restore historic trout spawning grounds on the property. From June through mid-October, you're invited to stay at The Lodge at Sun Ranch, a new eco lodge forged from the ranch owner's former 10,000-square-foot log home. It contains six unique guest rooms, a cozy great room, a wine cellar, and a dining room offering a "sustainable western bistro cuisine." You can also stay in the Osprey Cabin or the Wolf Cabin, both of which were salvaged from rural Montana and renovated. 888.674.3030; sunranchlodge.com. **2 THE CEDAR HOUSE SPORT HOTEL TRUCKEE, CALIFORNIA**

"We call our architecture modern mountain," says Patty Baird, who opened The Cedar House Sport Hotel with her husband, Jeff, in 2006. "But our hospitality is inspired by traditional family-run European hotels." Located six thousand feet up in the Sierra and ten miles north of Lake Tahoe, the dog-friendly hotel not only is close to world-class skiing and golf but partners with local companies to offer guided thrills such as dog sledding, fly fishing, sailing and rock climbing. Guests are greeted by a soaring canopy that is supported

by recycled steel and cedar logs from a nearby reforestation project. Inside, low-VOC interiors showcase sleek furnishings from Normand Couture and Modernseed. The hotel is ready to convert to solar power and employs energy-efficient Rinnai tankless water heaters to supply potable hot water and feed the hydronic radiant floor system and overhead fan coils that heat the interiors. 866.582.5655; cedarhousesporthotel.com.

3 MAUNA LANI RESORT KOHALA COAST, HAWAII Set on the west coast of the Big Island, the Mauna Lani Resort includes the Mauna Lani Bay Hotel & Bungalows, the Mauna Lani Spa, two championship golf courses and seven Kalahaipua's ponds used by the original inhabitants for aquaculture more than two thousand years ago. Accommodations include hotel guest rooms and suites as well as five 4,000-square-foot bungalows. Equipped with solar panels that yield up to 620 kilowatts of electricity, the Mauna Lani generates more solar power than any other luxury resort on earth. Golf courses are carpeted with drought-resistant Salam sea-shore paspalum grass that reduces the need for fertilizer and herbicides. The resort also raises endangered green sea turtles in salt-water ponds and releases them to the wild. 800.367.2323; maunalani.com.

4 LA POSADA DE SANTA FE RESORT & SPA SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Situated on six landscaped acres near historic Santa Fe Plaza, La Posada is within walking distance of more than two hundred art galleries, the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum and countless other attractions. Completing a \$6.5 million restoration project in 2008, the resort features 157 Pueblo Revival-style guest rooms. Amenities include a spa, a fitness center, two restaurants, a bar that occupies the historic nineteenth-century Staab House, and a heated saline swimming pool. The resort partnered with the Museum of New Mexico Foundation to introduce indigenous fabrics and prints into guest rooms and public spaces. La Posada is 100 percent wind-powered via Renewable Energy Credits. 866.331.7625; laposada.rockresorts.com. **+**

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