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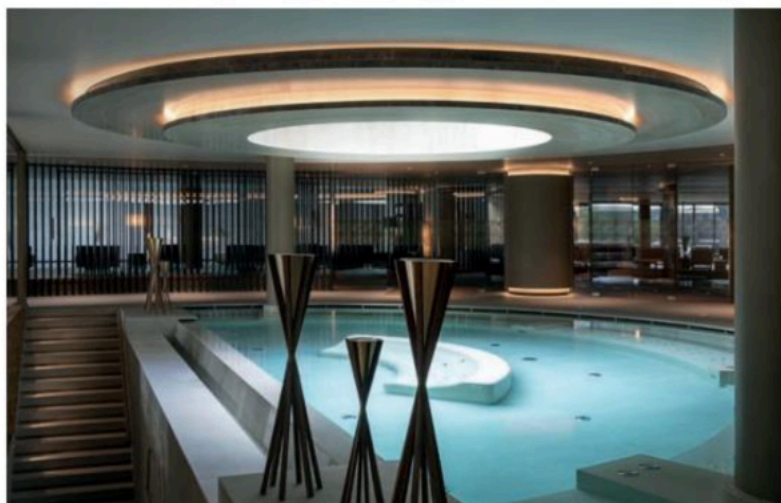
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Studio Apostoli Signs Off On Stunning Interior Design

The Lefay Resort & SPA Dolomiti is a complex that seems to emerge from the woods and blends perfectly into the landscape in which it is located. It reinterprets the traditional architecture of the area and in line with the philosophy of its owners, rediscovers the recurring elements of mountain buildings.

Multi-disciplinary design company Studio Apostoli developed the entire interior design scheme for the prestigious 5-star Resort recently inaugurated in Pinzola, a ski resort of Madonna di Campiglio in northern Italy.

Studio Apostoli laid the foundations for the interior design concept – a design idea that, in accordance with the client’s wishes, communicates precise values, including Italian lifestyle, contemporary luxury and environmental and energy sustainability.

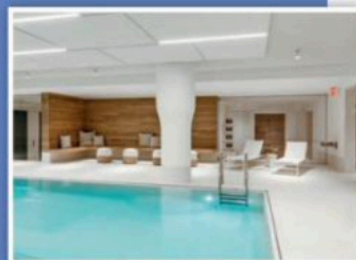
Set in the surrounding mountains,

the structure is on nine levels – four dedicated to private residences and five to hotel accommodation.

The large entrance lobby with lounge, reading room, outdoor Sky Lounge, meeting areas, indoor shops and two restaurants make up the large common areas, however the real heart of the resort would undoubtedly be that of the SPA. Covering about 5,000 square metres, the wellness area is spread over several floors, differentiated at a functional level: an entire floor dedicated to treatments, the in and out swimming pool with family sauna, the Lefay SPA Method energy-therapeutic paths and the large fitness area. Natural oak parquet, light-coloured leather upholstery and walls in natural granite stone make up the material palette. Ivory or dark stone is used to define the various zones of the wellness area, overlooking the surrounding Dolomite landscape through large windows.

Lapitec Chosen For Hidden Manhattan Oasis

There are secret places in the heart of New York where you can find refuge from the bustle of the metropolis. One such example is this swimming pool – tucked away in the basement of one of the most prestigious buildings in Manhattan – where a harmonious space has been created for users to stop the clock and recharge their batteries.



Designed with essential lines and pure geometrical balance, the space is emphasised by artificial lighting and intersected by the effect of the water itself and the wooden wall cladding, which creates a clear contrast with the slabs of Bianco Polare Lapitec that have been used.

Sintered stone covers almost all of the surfaces, in fact, it’s featured in different textures and formats, embodying the material’s aesthetic qualities and technical features. Large-format slabs of Lapitec Bianco Polare in the Vesuvius finish surround the long rectangular pool and climb the walls; small, rectangular tiles are used on the base of the columns and within the shower area, where Lapitec also supplied the bespoke interior floor plate. The Satin finish was used for the interior of the pool, while the Lux polished version covers the stairs leading to the upper floor, to great luminous effect.

In contact with the water, and also below it, Lapitec expresses its ideal features: due to its composition, which renders the surface free of pores, the sintered stone does not absorb liquids, does not allow mould to form and is non-slip and easy to clean. Lapitec is also resistant to surface damage such as scratches, abrasions or chromatic alterations due to time and intense wear, all fundamental properties for a public space such as a swimming pool.

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NIVEKO Provides A Private Paradise In The Swiss Countryside

Near the Swiss town of Baden, in the municipality of Lupfig, there is an oasis of peace and quiet, which is home to the Silvestri family. Until recently, the one thing missing from this idyllic setting was a swimming pool, but thanks to NIVEKO, this final piece for the perfect lifestyle has now been provided.

“We like living in the countryside,” said Mr Silvestri. “For us, our pool is like having our own private stretch of lake or sea in our own garden. The water and the sun reflecting off the surface are soothing and encourage us to stop for a while and take a break from the hustle and bustle of life.”

As the property was already built, the family was somewhat limited with regards to the pool design. “We had not heard of NIVEKO before this, but our friend and neighbours had also had a NIVEKO pool installed and are very happy with it. So, we took inspiration from publications as well as from our friends. However, the process

took some time – we spent two years planning, thinking up designs, then expanding on them or rejecting them,” explained Mr Silvestri. “The overall design of our garden also played a major role. The pool, house and garden had to match each other perfectly and share a consistent theme in terms of material, shape and colour. So, various different zones were created with the pool – these being the pool itself, 1.43 m deep, then a bench to sit on, which is really more a designer accessory. The distinctive and broad shallow end is a wet playground for the children, but is also intended to optically soften the transition between the terrace and the pool. The individuality of the shape and colour of the design, as well as the precision craftsmanship and quality – these were the main criteria for us when choosing a manufacturer.”



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