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Bucharest, Romania**  
Zaha Hadid's 656-foot  
diamond-shaped tower  
is part residences, part  
luxury hotel.

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Currently under construction, the lattice-encased mixed-use structure aims to be an icon for the capitol.



## **W Retreat Kanai, Mayan Riviera**

Construction will begin next year on this 180-room beachfront hotel, designed by Richard Meier, on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula.



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The hotel, notable for its T-shaped geometry and terraced suites with private outdoor showers and bar areas, will share land with four other hotels and a beach club.





## **Zhengzhou Mixed-Use Development**

This 4.3-million square-foot mixed-use development, from Trahan Architects, will include a luxury hotel in its tallest tower.



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But don't go planning a trip yet: The plan is just in its very early schematic design phase, which could take another two years to be wrapped up.



**Hotel Aliah, Sao Paulo, Brazil**

The Hotel Aliah, a joint project by Hiperstudio + Arkiz. Located in São Paulo, aims to be a green hotel and "transcendental space," where its architecture blends into the landscape.



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This sustainable, luxury hotel will be built by 2014, in time for the World Cup.





## **Vertical Village, Dubai**

This solar-powered residential, hotel and entertainment complex is designed by Graft Lab.



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The complex, aiming for a LEED Gold certification, has a solar roof that transports the solar energy through a system of veins, "like a leaf," say the architects.



## **PARKROYAL on Pickering, Singapore**

Designed by WOHA, this 16-story business hotel with rooftop bar and terrace bring a lush dose of vertical greenery to an urban setting, with contoured parks and gardens below and valleys and waterfalls that extend up into the building.

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The cleverly landscaped hotel is under construction, slated for completion in summer of 2012.





## **Montabo Resort, French Guyana**

A proposal and winning competition entry from KILO Architectures envisions a hilltop resort hovering over the city of Cayenne.



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The Montabo would have a minimal footprint and float above the dense jungle vegetation below.



AN [EXTRAORDINARY hotel](#) is being built in a disused quarry near Shanghai. At the foot of the Tianmashan mountain, the InterContinental Shimao Wonderland will rise two floors above the top of the 100-metre rock face and another 16 storeys below ground level. The lowest of these levels, housing a restaurant, will actually be under water at the bottom of the quarry.

Only a month after it sought insolvency protection in Dubai and Singapore to push through a \$US2.2 billion (\$A2.13 billion) debt restructuring, Drydocks World unveiled an agreement with BIG InvestConsult, which holds the technology rights, to build the World Discus Hotel.

