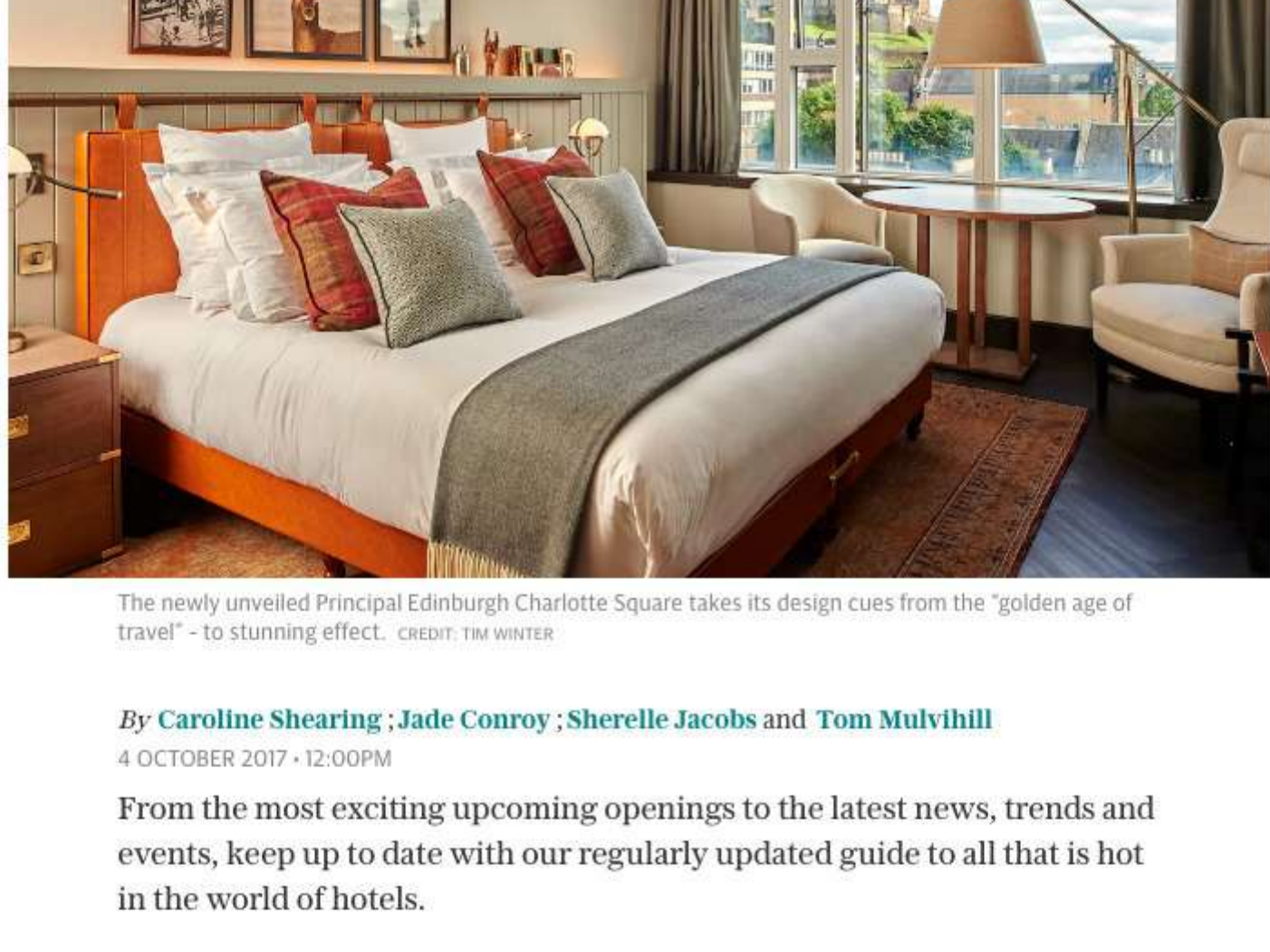


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## Pillow Talk: The hottest openings, news and experiences in the world of hotels



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The newly unveiled Principal Edinburgh Charlotte Square takes its design cues from the "golden age of travel" - to stunning effect. CREDIT: TIM WINTER

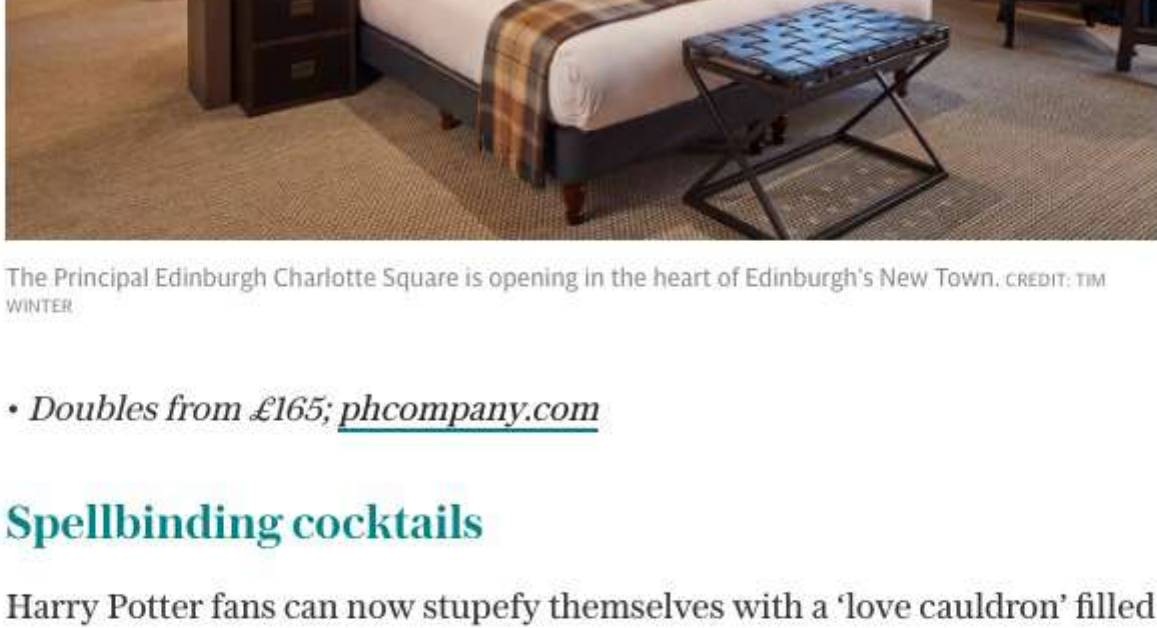
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From the most exciting upcoming openings to the latest news, trends and events, keep up to date with our regularly updated guide to all that is hot in the world of hotels.

### Hot hotel

A vintage post box, retro telephones and a corner shop of minibar-style treats are some of the fun touches at the newly unveiled [Principal Edinburgh Charlotte Square](#), a Georgian gem in the heart of the city's New Town. The beautifully styled interiors – think a sophisticated colour palette and Chesterfield-style sofas – take their design inspiration from the “golden age of travel”. Head to [Baba](#) for a culinary tour of the eastern Med, followed by first-class cocktails in the leafy central courtyard.



The Principal Edinburgh Charlotte Square is opening in the heart of Edinburgh's New Town. CREDIT: TIM WINTER

• *Doubles from £165; [phcompany.com](#)*

### Spellbinding cocktails

Harry Potter fans can now stupefy themselves with a 'love cauldron' filled with an Amaretto punch or indulge in liqueur-stuffed chocolate toads, just seconds from Platform 9¾. The limited edition cocktails at [St Pancras Renaissance in London's King's Cross](#), which also include a salted caramel Butterscotch Brew, are best combined with a nosey around the new Harry Potter exhibition at the [British Library](#) next door.



Harry Potter fans can find some potent potions at St Pancras Renaissance Hotel in King's Cross.

• *Cocktails available from £5-14; [stpancraslondon.com](#)*

### Gin weekend

Forage for juniper berries on the slopes of Snowdonia this autumn as part of a “gin-venture” experience at Grade II-listed [Palé Hall](#). The package also includes a gin-tasting tour of the Forager's Gin distillery in the company of a master craftsman, and an eight-course dinner showcasing local produce and ingredients.



Palé Hall is offering a Snowdonia 'gin-venture' experience this autumn, including foraging and, more importantly, tasting.

• *Package from £821pp, based on two people sharing; [palehall.co.uk](#)*

### A royal tour

Explore [The Goring](#), one of the Queen's favourite hotels (and where the Duchess of Cambridge stayed the night before her wedding to Prince William), with Telegraph Travel's new series of 360-degree virtual reality video tours. The Goring is one of only two hotels to have been awarded a Royal Warrant, the other being [The Ritz London](#).



• *For more information, see: [telegraph.co.uk/tt-thegoring360](#)*

### Fondant fantasy

Dancers from the English National Ballet School will perform at a series of Sleeping Beauty-themed afternoon teas at [The Dorchester](#) this autumn half-term (Oct 23-27). Young ballet fans can expect treats inspired by the much-loved fairytale, face-painting and dance lessons from characters including Princess Aurora. Book now.



The Dorchester is hosting a series of Sleeping Beauty-themed afternoon teas this half-term, accompanied by performances from the English National Ballet School. CREDIT: ARNAUD STEPHENSON

• *Adults £68; children aged 5-12 £39; [dorchestercollection.com](#)*

### Countdown

London's [Paddington](#) is set to get its first design hotel with the opening of [The Pilgrim](#) (sic), a picture-perfect café with rooms from Jason Catifeoglou, formerly of [Zetter Clerkenwell](#). Interiors promise to be an Instagrammers' dream of parquet flooring, cast-iron radiators and a “cloud carpet” designed by Tom Dixon.

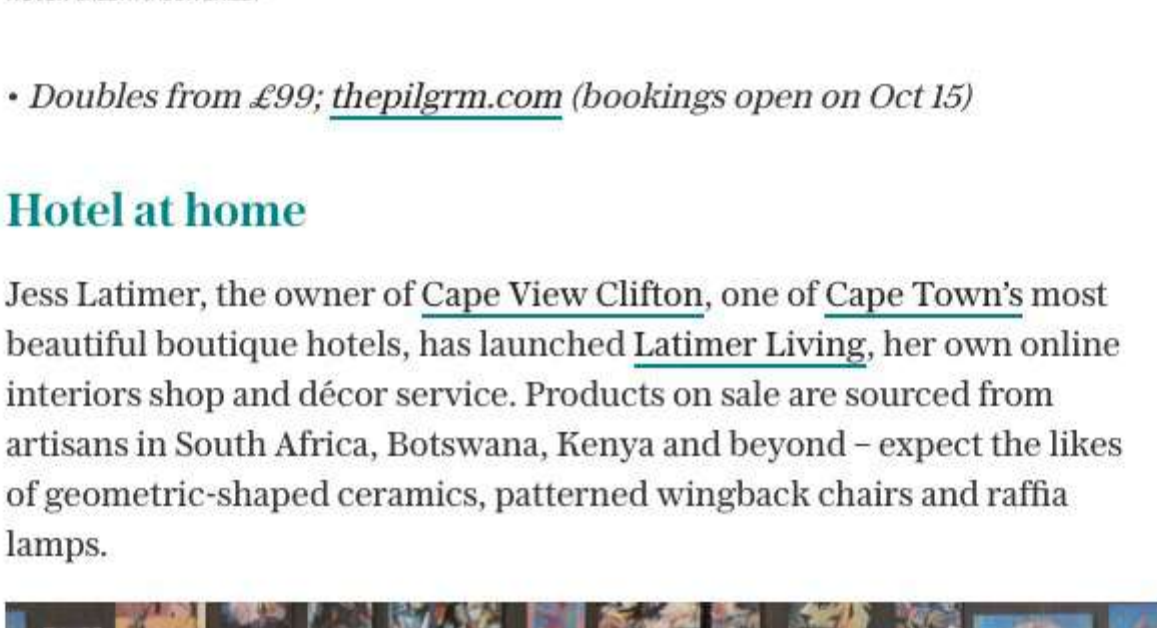


Trendy urban chic is coming to Paddington this October in the form of The Pilgrim: the area's first design hotel. CREDIT: JASON BAILEY

• *Doubles from £99; [thepilgrim.com](#) (bookings open on Oct 15)*

### Hotel at home

Jess Latimer, the owner of [Cape View Clifton](#), one of Cape Town's most beautiful boutique hotels, has launched [Latimer Living](#), her own online interiors shop and décor service. Products on sale are sourced from artisans in South Africa, Botswana, Kenya and beyond – expect the likes of geometric-shaped ceramics, patterned wingback chairs and raffia lamps.

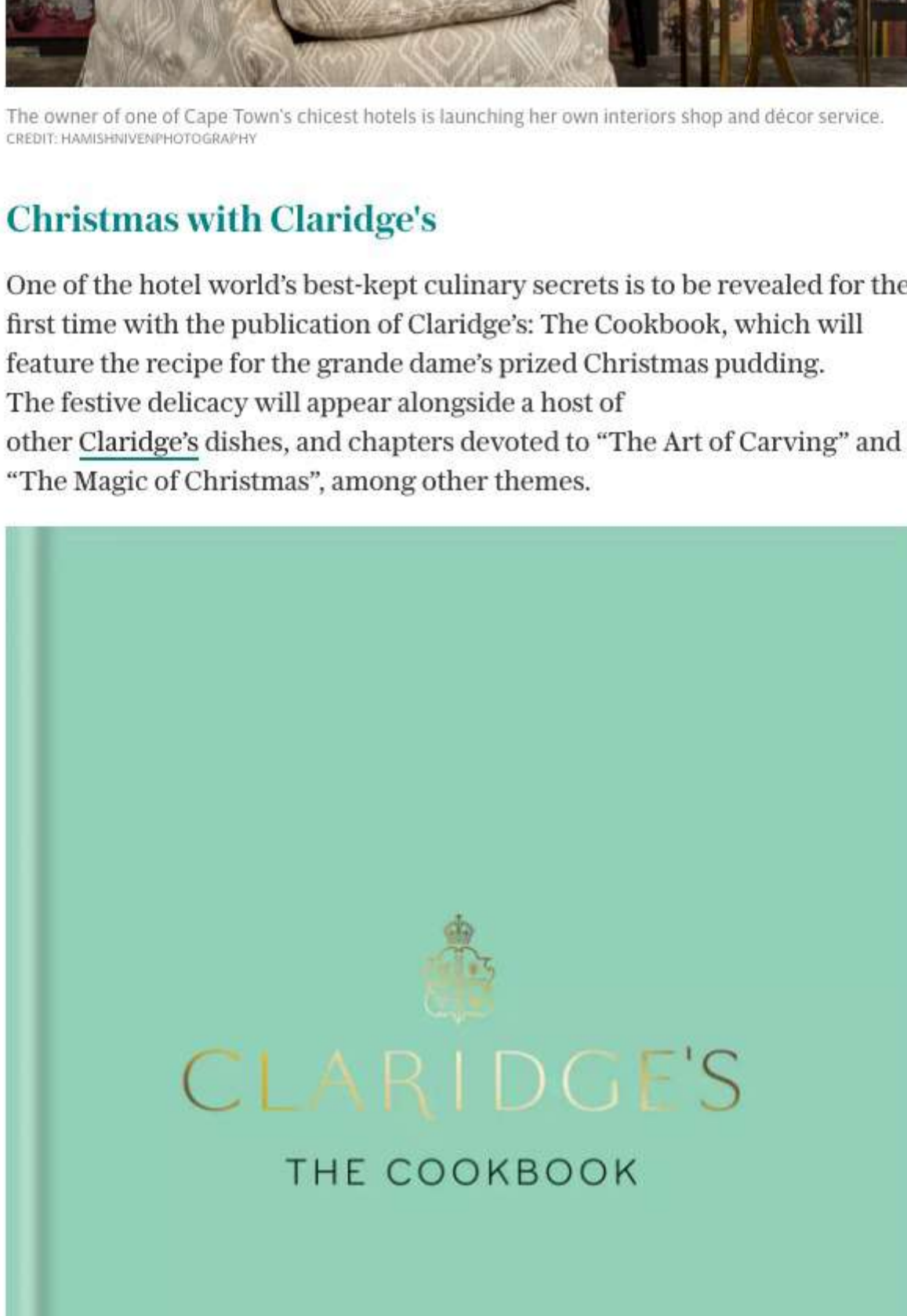


The owner of one of Cape Town's chicest hotels is launching her own interiors shop and décor service. CREDIT: HAMISH NEVEN/PHOTOGRAPHY

### Christmas with Claridge's

One of the hotel world's best-kept culinary secrets is to be revealed for the first time with the publication of [Claridge's: The Cookbook](#), which will feature the recipe for the grande dame's prized Christmas pudding.

The festive delicacy will appear alongside a host of other [Claridge's](#) dishes, and chapters devoted to “The Art of Carving” and “The Magic of Christmas”, among other themes.



Claridge's: The Cookbook will reveal the recipe for the hotel's prized Christmas pudding.

• *Pre-order now from [Amazon](#). Signed copies are available via [claridges.co.uk](#) from Oct 5; price £30.*

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