Cuba clears the way for a new era of capitalism
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Sophisticated sushi

An intimate sushi experience opens on Hong Kong’s Hollywood Road this month. Umi offers a refined Edomae sushi experience with space for just ten guests. Soft mood lighting and a harmony of natural materials create a tranquil environment, with a spectacular hanging orchid tree showpiece. A set omakase (chef’s choice) menu is prepared daily by chef Yukio Kimijima, a fourth-generation sushi master, with each course being expertly crafted in front of diners. Two sittings are available at 6.30pm and 8.30pm with the omakase menu priced at HK$1,588 (US$205) per person. Booking is recommended (see businessstraveller.com for full review).

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Wheels and wine

SANCTUM Inle Resort in Myanmar has launched a new tour to give guests a taste of the country’s budding wine industry. A 40-minute ride takes cyclists through the peaceful countryside around Inle Lake, past sugar cane fields and stilt villages such as Maing Thauk, before reaching the scenic Red Mountain – one of Myanmar’s two wineries – where they can sample the locally grown red, white, rosé and fortified wines.

sanctum-inle-resort.com

Kong’s Vietnam

SET against an otherworldly backdrop of mystical mountains and impenetrable jungle, blockbuster hit Kong: Skull Island offers scenery as fantastical as the giant ape itself. A new ten-day tour launched by ExoticVoyages gives travellers the chance to explore these magical sights in the untrodden depths of Vietnam, where the movie was filmed. From the massive caverns of Phong Nha-Ke Bang National Park in Quang Binh province, to seaplane tours over the dramatic limestone karst mountains of Halong Bay, the tour promises an off-the-beaten-track adventure. Prices start from US$2,055 per person. exoticvoyages.com

Hanoi’s new hotspot

MODERN Thai cuisine favourite Coca will open this month in Vietnam’s capital. The flagship four-storey restaurant will launch in the Phuong Thanh Cong mixed-use neighbourhood of Hanoi’s CBD, with a stylish take on traditional Indochinese architecture. Coca will add an upmarket offering to the local dining scene with its signature dishes such as phong karee (wok-fried yellow curry with crab), plus a few new additions to suit the local palate.

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