

The new wave in hotels making a big splash

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Hoteliers diving into large, luxurious swimming pools with all the trimmings

In April, the new Gansevoort South Hotel in Miami claimed the title of the country's largest rooftop pool (110 feet long), it also has an infinity edge a few floors down for good measure. At 11 a.m. every day in Nevis, the Four Seasons Resort fans out its spa staff to offer services poolside. On Memorial Day weekend, the Viceroy Santa Monica will add a pool concierge and, in a couple of its poolside cabanas, movies. The Ritz-Carlton South Beach, which opened in 2004, offers a rolling mojito cart and staffers to polish guests' sunglasses. And at the new Trisara resort in Phuket, Thailand, every suite has a private pool.

Fueled by unprecedented competition for guests, hotels are pouring millions of dollars into pools-not bathtub-size afterthoughts, but sybaritic, resort-style pool complexes and waterside amenities. These new ersatz beach clubs go beyond the well-stocked cabana to add acres of real estate, residential design and furniture, gadgets, and increased staffing. But the news isn't all good, especially for travelers who like kids-or quiet.

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