

HOTLIST

Meet the real-life duo behind hotel-booking favourite Mr. & Mrs. Smith. Plus: The latest designer inn and fall's brightest Broadway stars



A favourite of insiders Tamara and James is Goldeneye, the boutique hotel once home to James Bond writer Ian Fleming.

HOW I TRAVEL: JAMES AND TAMARA LOHAN

What's your idea of the perfect getaway - a weekend at an inn, a beachside boutique hotel or a five-star property? If you said all of the above, the travel-booking website that caters to all our vacation personalities. But you may not know James and Tamara Lohan, the British husband

and wife behind the brand that showcases only hotels that live up to their high standards. We caught up with the parents of two to ask them about their hit business and favourite hot spots.

Since Mr. & Mrs. Smith got its start 10 years ago (first as a publisher of guidebooks), you've made a lot of fans, including Cate Blanchett. How did you interest the Oscar winner in reviewing the Wolgan Valley resort for MrandMrsSmith.com? James: She's a friend of a friend ... She was eager to do it. Even for A-listers, it's not a bad gig. I think everyone has an article in them.

Tamara, can you recommend a favourite sunny getaway for Canadians? Coqui Coqui is one of my favourite hotels! It's in Tulum, Mexico, on the Riviera Maya and run by two fashion [veterans]. You feel like you're on a fashion shoot when you're there.

Do you have favourite items to travel with? Tamara: Lily and Lionel scarves because I love the feel of them. They're just beautiful. James: I always wear a hoodie on a plane. It's comfortable and stops a draft around your neck.

Is there a secret to working together as a couple? James: Complementary skill sets. We are opposites. She is techy and I look after the brand. Tamara: He chooses the wallpaper in our house and I make the TV work. [Laughs]

Might you open a hotel of your own one day? James: We probably will have to, if I'm honest. Tam and I are a bit obsessed about hotels. – MICHAEL KILLINGSWORTH 📙

Stylish Stay

BRITISH FASHION HOUSE LAURA ASHLEY OPENS FIRST LUXE HOTEL

Laura Ashley has opened its first boutique hotel - in which all 49 rooms are furnished with the brand's contemporary interiors collection. (Guests can buy the décor online during their stay). The exterior of England's Manor Hotel is just as luxurious: the Tudor revival property, dating back to 1540, is set on 10 acres of landscaped gardens and natural woodland, with views of London landmarks.





BROADWAY BOUND

The pairing of husband-and-wife Daniel Craig and Rachel Weisz in the Mike Nichols adaptation of Betrayal is getting New York City's theatre season off to a star-powered start. And the duo are in good company, with a legion of their Hollywood peers heading to the stage. Have you booked your tickets yet?

- Orlando Bloom, Romeo and Juliet, opens Sept. 19
- Catherine Zeta-Jones and Zachary Quinto, The Glass Menagerie, Sept. 26
- Mary-Louise Parker, The Snow
- Geese, Oct. 24
 Billy Crystal, 700 Sundays, Nov 13
- Ethan Hawke, Macbeth, Nov. 21
- Patrick Stewart and Ian McKellen, No Man's Land and Waiting for Godot, Nov. 24

