

INTERNATIONAL TRENDS

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TRANSFORMING BANDIRMA PARK

The next in line to get a facelift is Bandirma Park. Located in the most dynamic region of Turkey, a design competition invites competitors to generate ideas for developing a park cultivating the notion of spatial design and planning as well as creating a recreational centre at the regional scale. Bandirma, a candidate to relieve some of Istanbul's growing population burden, is showing significant advances in becoming an important industry and logistic centre within the region. Once the new port project for the city has been completed and the rail and road links have been connected, it is expected to become Turkey's portal to Europe. Thus Bandirma Park, located 1 km from Bandirma's city centre will aim to serve as both a recreational area to enrich daily life and as a space for local design schools.

competition.balikesir.bel.tr

MENDELI STREET HOTEL

Vibrant, cosmopolitan and chic, Mendeli Street Hotel, located in the bustling Mediterranean city of Tel Aviv, encompasses all the cornerstones of sophisticated urban hospitality. Situated just two minutes from the beach, this hotel blends fine cuisine, décor and the latest Israeli art and design trends to provide its guests with a unique Tel Aviv experience. The hotel is owned by the Steinbach family and originally opened in the 1960s. After it was handed down to the third generation, Mendeli Street Hotel went through a complete rebranding and major renovation, finally re-emerging onto the Tel Aviv tourist scene three years ago, fun, fabulous and sexier than ever. Image: Amit Geron.

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THE INVISIBLE COLLECTION

Ever just fancied a bear hug? Well now you can have one every time you sit down. Thanks to The Invisible Collection you can purchase the Bear Chair designed by Pierre Yovanovitch whom along with around thirty of France's most illustrious interior designers and architects are taking part in this ambitious project. For the first time, the most esteemed names in French interior design and architecture have been united on a single website, The Invisible Collection, where their work is now finally available for purchase. The Invisible Collection highlights the world of 21st century talents, of those designers who perpetuate the standards set by the likes of Jean-Michel Frank and Pierre Chareau in the golden period of the decorative arts.

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