

TRAVEL

The Woodward

Lakeside luxury done right

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In a lakeside stretch where luxury hotels stand shoulder to shoulder, The Oetker Collection has opted for less is more to mark its arrival in the Geneva scene. There are just 26 suites offering exceptional views of the lake, the Jet d'Eau and Mont Blanc beyond. Interiors come courtesy of Pierre-Yves Rochon; beds are framed by Fromental wallpapers and Nespresso stations are hidden behind lacquered doors inset with mother-of-pearl. In the white marble and onyx bathrooms, where Guerlain Orchidée Impériale graces the rain showers, the handles are formed by Lalique glass medusas. Beneath lies Switzerland's only Guerlain spa – and the longest pool in town. Above is the domain of executive chef Olivier Jean, long a disciple of the late Joël Robuchon in Taipei, who delivers dishes faithful to the master's repertoire, such as seared blue lobster with Malabar pepper and pak choi. For a fresh interpretation of Geneva on a plate, Jean's vegetable-centric menu at Le Jardinier is not to be missed.

LOCATION: Geneva, Switzerland

BOOK IT: Doubles from £985

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