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2015 GOLD KEY AWARDS BEST RESTAURANT FINE DINING

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QUADRAT, SANT FRANCESC HOTEL SINGULAR

Palma De Mallorca, Spain



DESIGNER Sant Francesc Hotel Singular In-house design team, Palma de Mallorca, Spain, and MJC Arquitectura, Barcelona, Spain

THE BRIEF Turn a former stable into a luxury dining destination. Create both interior and al fresco dining experiences for this 70-seat fine dining restaurant. Respect the fact that this luxury hotel rises from the roots of a 135-year-old manor house.

THE INSIDE SCOOP The space housing the stable had low ceilings and small windows. To add height to the space, designers lowered the floor by 3 ft. To add light, they enlarged the window openings. A ramp that horses once used to enter the stable was converted to a staircase leading to the restaurant entry. Original iron horsehead hitching posts were retained as a reminder of the space's former incarnation.

THE TAKEAWAY Don't be afraid to take chances. "We risked finding a 'surprise' in digging down within the stable because the hotel and restaurant are in the middle of an ancient town and not far from the Basilica of Sant Francesc and its 14th century cloister," notes MJC Arquitectura interior designer Maria Jose Cabré.

SOURCES

OWNER: Soldevila Ferrer family; **DESIGNER:** Sant Francesc Hotel Singular In-house design team, Palma de Mallorca, Spain; MJC Arquitectura: Maria Jose Cabré, Nuria Ferrer Klein, interior designers; **ARCHITECT/GENERAL CONTRACTOR:** International Hospitality Projects; **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT:** AE Land 1988 Studio; **BATH AND SPA:** Alape; **FABRICS:** Güell Lamadrid; **FURNITURE:** Gervasoni (chairs); RODA by Gordon Guillaumier (outdoor furniture); **LIGHTING:** Nautic; **PLANTERS/POTS:** Pere Coll; **TILE FLOORS:** Ceramica Cumella

2015 GOLD KEY AWARDS BEST HOTEL LUXURY



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OWNER/OPERATOR: Soldevila Ferrer Family; **DESIGN FIRMS:** Nuria Ferrer Klein; MJC Arquitectura; Maria Jose Cabré, interior designer; **ARCHITECTURE:** International Hospitality Projects; Tolo Cursach; **PURCHASING COMPANY:** Soldevila Ferrer Family; **GENERAL CONTRACTOR:** International Hospitality Projects; **DESIGN CONSULTANTS:** Antoni Cumella (tile floors and pool tiles); Ana Esteve (landscaping); Pere Coll (planters and plant pots); **FABRICS:** Güell LaMadrid; **ART:** Joprdi Alcaraz; Alzamora-menina; Josep Maria Riera i Arago; Arbos; Ballasteros; Broto; Bruno Ollé; Campano; Luis LLeo; Miquel Macaya; Mireia Mateu; Guillem Nadal; Miquel Planaz; Mario Ruiz; Dominca Sanchez; Studio Gabriel Rotger Cabrera; Barbara Vidal; **FURNITURE:** Flexform; Gervasoni; Piero Lissoni for Living Divani; RODA; Van Thiel and Co.; **LIGHTING:** Nautic; Parachilna

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DESIGNERS Sant Francesc Hotel Singular in-house design team, Palma de Mallorca and MJC Arquitectura, Barcelona

THE BRIEF Embrace a 19th century building's heritage and place in a historic neighborhood. Use muted tones and textures to add a 21st-century residential air.

THE INSIDE SCOOP "The beauty of our building is that it never had more than one single usage from a family manor house that belonged to a rich merchant, who made his fortune with sugar cane in Puerto Rico," says owner Andrés Soldevila Ferrer. So, he and design team let the century structure tell the story. Original stone forms a handsome backdrop for black and white flooring in the public spaces. Paneling along a wall draws guests' eyes.

THE TAKEAWAY If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Not every project has to reinterpret the past. The same curved vaults that defined a stable make a statement ceiling today. The large windows work just as well framing a chic lobby as a Victorian-era living room.