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THE 15 MOST BEAUTIFUL HOTEL POOLS

Now's the perfect time to flee dreary midwinter weather and indulge in some poolside relaxation—find your dream destination in our roundup of the most amazing pools around the world

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PLAYA VIK JOSÉ IGNACIO JOSÉ IGNACIO, URUGUAY

This stunning, 19-room boutique hotel is renowned for its low-slung sculptural design, created by Uruguayan architect Carlos Ott in 2010. The 75-foot lap pool is made of indigenous black absolute nero granite, and cantilevers out over the beach below. At night, the pool's bottom is illuminated by a fiber-optic system that displays the celestial map of the southern hemisphere, which plays along the water's surface like hundreds of twinkling stars.

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