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## URUGUAYAN ART AND DESIGN AT THE VIK RETREATS

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Alex and Carrie Vik are the owners and visionaries behind the Vik Retreats, located in Uruguay. The first of them, Estancia Vik Jose Ignacio, opened in February 2009, and its sister property Playa Vik Jose Ignacio, opened in December 2010.

The Playa Vik is located on the most coved spot of the Uruguayan coastline. The design of the retreat was collaborated with Uruguayan architects Carlos Ott and Edgar Baruzze. The property showcases a range of contemporary artists and designers such as James Turrell, Anselm Keifer and Zaha Hadid.

The Estancia Vik is a traditional Uruguayan ranch, and has been referred to as an homage to Uruguay's nature, architecture and design when collaborating with the contributing artists. The Uruguayan artists represented at the Estancia were specially selected by Alex and Carrie, collaborating with Uruguayan architect Marcelo Daglio and curator Enrique Badaro Nadal. The Retreat features 12 unique suites, each of them imagined by an individual Uruguayan artist who has created site-specific art to suite each space. Among the highlights is the Musso Suite, which was created by Byzantine art painter Carlos Musso. Other artists that are featured at the Estancia include; Lacy Duarte, Clever Lara and Pablo Atchugarry.

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