

THE CELLAR DIARIES

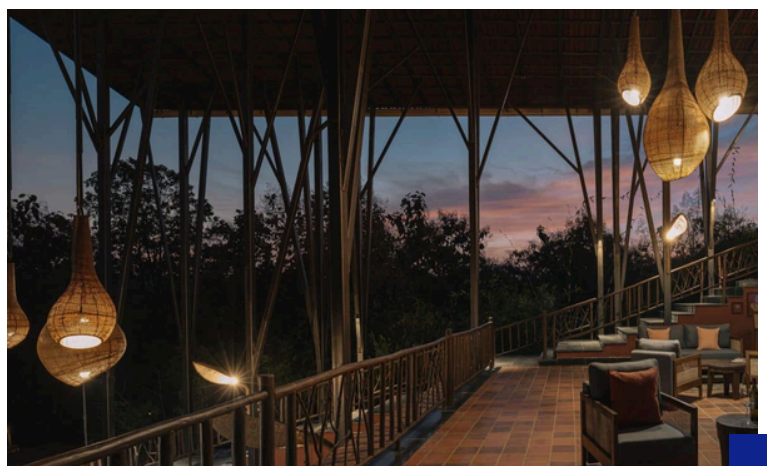


Hotel Services India signs consultancy agreement for The White Resort & Spa, Pawna

(AHS India) announces the signing of a Hotel Management Consultancy Services Agreement with Moksh Organic and Wellness Retreat LLP for The White Resort & Spa, Pawna, located in Lonavala, Maharashtra. The resort is targeted to reopen in February 2026 following handover and operational transition activities. The upcoming development will feature 75 thoughtfully designed guest rooms, each crafted to offer comfort, serenity, and sweeping views of the surrounding Sahyadri hills. Complementing the residential experience, the resort will house an inviting all-day dining restaurant, offering diverse culinary selections that reflect both global and local inspirations. Wellness takes center stage with a full-service spa and a modern fitness center, ensuring guests can unwind and rejuvenate in a setting of complete relaxation. Designed to support both intimate and large-scale gatherings.

RARE India welcomes Tipai Wildlife Luxuries into its curated Wildlife Collection

Rare India has announced the inclusion of Tipai Wildlife Luxuries into its Wildlife Collection, strengthening its portfolio of thoughtfully curated, owner-run retreats across the Indian subcontinent. Set across 34 acres of regenerated forest near the fringes of Tipeswar National Park in Maharashtra, Tipai is defined by its quiet immersion in nature—surrounded by rivers, dry deciduous forests, and long-established village landscapes. Located just two hours from Nagpur and under six hours from Hyderabad, the retreat balances remoteness with accessibility.



Mumbai's Most Iconic Rooftop Just Got a New Soul

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Do you know?



India leads Marriott's record Asia-Pacific expansion with 99 hotel deals in 2025

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PERFECT BREAD PUDDING



DON'T LOSE THIS RECIPE:

- 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups milk
- 2 slightly beaten eggs
- 2 cups 1-inch day-old bread cubes
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup seedless raisins



Bake at 350°F for about 45 minutes, until knife comes out clean.

Educational Industrial Visit to Sula Vineyards

The students recently embarked on a one-day industrial visit to Sula Vineyards, one of India's leading wine producers. The visit provided valuable insights into the wine-making process, from grape cultivation and harvesting to fermentation and bottling. The students were guided through the vineyards and production units, where they learned about the importance of climate, soil conditions, and quality control in producing premium wines. The session was highly informative and helped bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical industry exposure. After the vineyard tour, the group enjoyed lunch at Resort Manas, where they experienced warm hospitality and a well-curated dining service. The visit not only enhanced the students' understanding of beverage production and hospitality management but also gave them exposure to real-time industry operations. Overall, the trip was educational, engaging, and enriching, leaving the students with practical knowledge and memorable experiences.

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