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# Linger for longer in these 10 design-led luxury hotel bathrooms

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The pleasure of bathing has never been so passionately pursued, with hotels throwing themselves wholeheartedly into the creation of spaces that are less amenity and more amusement. No longer a side thought, the best of these new personal pleasure palaces, often clad in enough marble to make an Emperor sigh, range from onsen minimalism to technological trickery. Take a look at the hotel bathrooms that have us lingering for longer.



**Almanac**  
Barcelona, Spain

The Almanac group's debut just off Barcelona's Passeig de Gracia is the work of local studio, OAB, who have combined two existing buildings into a 91-room cocoon. Inside, Jaime Beriestain Studio has conjured a cinematic, contemporary art deco vibe, with copper accents, low-hanging white drum lamps, and panels of oak and walnut in the bright bedrooms. The immaculate bathrooms meanwhile, feature double sink vanities with individual mirrors, walk-in showers and full-length tubs, and are once again an orgy of marble and glass. The chill is softened through the addition of muted metal fixtures, which hover somewhere on the colour spectrum between copper and gold, and by bespoke bathroom products from Scottish-Catalan perfumer, Jimmy Boyd, a graduate of Grasse, which scent post-shower air with subtle notes of bergamot and pear-apple.

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