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ROME'S EMBRACE 拥抱罗马

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What makes breakfast on a rooftop more delightful is when it comes with sweeping views of downtown Rome. And having seagulls hovering above, hoping to share your breakfast, will seem strange in any other city, but in Rome, it all comes together.

Portrait Roma might be the finest, quietest and most elegant boutique hotel I have ever stayed in. Inspired by the Italian shoemaker Salvatore Ferragamo, Portrait Roma is designed by Michele Bonan, an architectural genius from Florence, and located in an old building that overlooks Via Condotti. Its 14 rooms are more like luxury apartments than hotel rooms, and traces of the Ferragamo style are in every corner: from the pictures of celebrities decked in Ferragamo to the Ferragamo toiletries and Ferragamo shawls provided to guests when it gets chilly on the rooftop.

Each room has its own character but all feature elegant designer furniture and a hidden minibar that is essentially a full kitchenette. An iPad is provided in each room, loaded with all the tips that you might need during your stay.

What must be mentioned is the Lifestyle team in the hotel. Because I wanted to visit as many Michelin-starred restaurants as I could during my short stay, I gave them the difficult task of making last-minute reservations for both lunch and dinner. They rose to the challenge and I chalked up eight Michelin stars' worth of dining in two days.

Situated in Rome's most exclusive shopping district, the location is unbeatable. Step outside and you will be surrounded by top luxury brands, starting with the Salvatore Ferragamo boutique, of course. The Spanish Steps is just around the corner, 750m away from the Trevi Fountain, and only a five-minute walk to the Ara Pacis Museum, a museum designed by world-renowned architect Richard Meyers. You will not

need a taxi at all as all of Rome's major attractions are within walking distance – even Vatican City can be reached in half an hour by foot.

That is if you ever want to leave the hotel at all. My most unforgettable experience in this hotel is still the 360-degree view on the roof terrace, which will wrap around you like Rome's gentle embrace.



Sweeping views from the roof of Portrait Roma.



The Penthouse Suite is decorated in the Ferragamo style.

在酒店天台享用早餐时，最心旷神怡的是可在晨光中一览罗马市中心景色，偶尔还会有一些海鸥飞来凑热闹，希望可以与你共享早餐。闹市加海鸥，这看似不搭的景致，却如此融洽地出现在眼前。

这或许是我入宿过最精致、最恬静、最高雅的精品酒店。Portrait Roma为萨瓦托菲拉格慕 (Salvatore Ferragamo) 旗下产业，由佛罗伦萨建筑天才米歇尔波南 (Michele Bonan) 设计，

位于一座可俯瞰Via Condotti购物街的旧楼，14间客房的格局像奢华公寓多过于酒店，每个角落都有菲拉格慕的踪影，从走廊明星艺人穿戴菲拉格慕服饰的照片、同名品牌浴室用品，到天台上天凉时为客人准备的品牌披巾，时刻提醒你这是一家著名时尚品牌酒店。

每间公寓式客房都有自己的个性，除了高雅的设计师家具，还有一个隐蔽式小厨房，最贴心的是每间客房均为客人提供一台iPad。客人入住期间，可带着iPad外出当导航仪，寻找酒店推荐的景点或餐馆，从此告别传统地图。

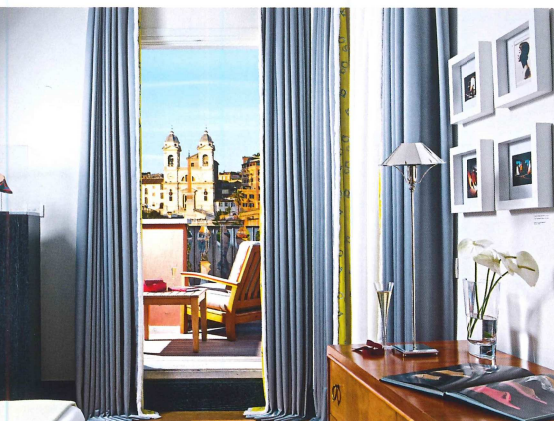
不能不提的是酒店的Lifestyle团队。为了在入住的短短周末尝遍最多的星级餐馆，我给酒店一个艰难任务：最后一分钟为我预订每天在星级餐馆用午餐和晚餐。结果任务轻松完成，让我在两天内“收集”到了八颗米其林星，超赞。

酒店地点无可挑剔，坐落在罗马最高档的购物区，一出门就被全球各大奢华品牌环抱，楼下是同名品牌精品店，转角就是西班牙阶梯，距离特莱维喷泉只有750米，由世界著名建筑师理查迈耶 (Richard Meyers) 设计的和平祭坛博物馆 (Ara Pacis Museum) 也在五分钟步行路程内。

基本上从这里出发逛罗马，完全不必依赖任何交通工具，徒步就可走到罗马市各大景点，即便是梵蒂冈也可在半小时内走到，极为便利。

酒店最让人难以忘怀的，是顶层的360度天台，景色之美，会让你希望永远留在罗马的温柔乡。

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Boutique hotel Portrait Roma has only 14 rooms.