

World Art Day

Derby Hotels Collection: hotels open to the city that house exclusive works of art

- Derby Hotels Collection reflects its awareness of art by converting its hotels and apartments into museums with more than 5,000 works and pieces of Ancient and Contemporary Art
- Sleeping among works of art is possible at the Group's hotels in Madrid, Barcelona, Paris and London
- The art experience can be completed with a haute cuisine proposal in its restaurants ESQUER, East 47 and Os-Kuro, among others



Hotel Urban 5*GL Museum Room

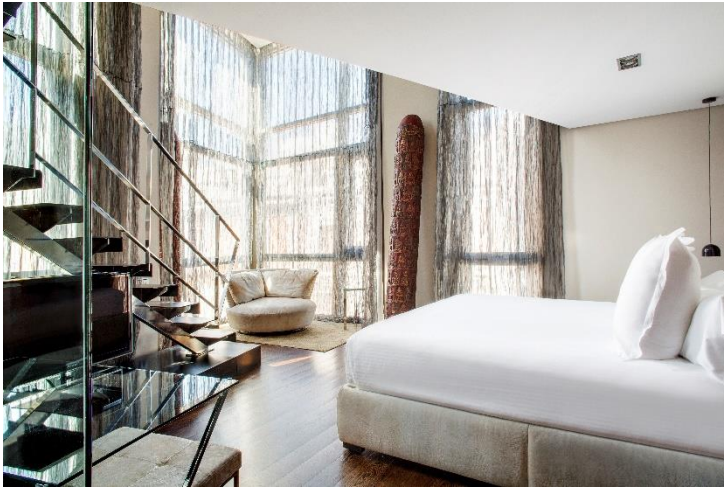


Collection of Roman Art and Mosaics Hotel Villa Real 5

Madrid, April 2024- World Art Day is celebrated on 15 April and Derby Hotels Collection offers you the chance to enjoy the exclusive art collections housed in its hotels **in Madrid, Barcelona, Paris and London.**

DHC hotels are located in historic buildings such as palaces, stately homes or emblematic constructions, which stand out for collecting pieces of Ancient and Contemporary Art, making them exclusive museums of incalculable artistic value. *"Each hotel has a history depending on the period in which it was built and the place where it is located,"* says **Jordi Clos, president of Derby Hotels Collection.**

It is possible to sleep among museum pieces

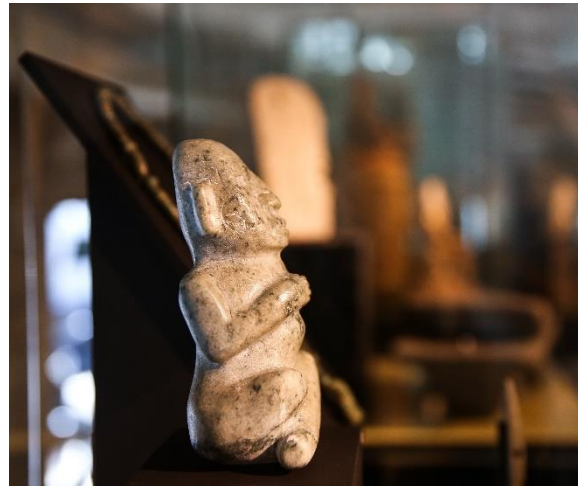


Hotel Urban 5*GL

Located in the heart of the **Art Triangle**, on the axis of the **Prado Museum**, the **Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum** and the **Reina Sofia National Art Museum**, the **Hotel Urban 5*GL** is home to the capital's most important private art collection on **Papua New Guinea**. In each of its corners you will find unique pieces of great artistic and

historical value, which are exhibited both in the Hotel's Museum Hall and in the common areas and rooms, making it a unique Museum Hotel in the centre of Madrid. A few metres away, the Hotel Villa Real 5* houses a collection of mosaics dating from the 2nd and 4th century AD - from Asia Minor - making it one of the most important exhibitions of Ancient Art in Spain, the result of 45 years of work by **Jordi Clos, President and Founder of Derby Hotels Collection**.

In **Barcelona**, **Claris Hotel & Spa 5*GL** brings together creations representative of pre-Columbian civilisations. Located in the **Palacio Vedruna**, a building constructed in 1883 and whose original neoclassical façade has been preserved, **Claris Hotel & Spa 5*GL** stands out for housing a Museum-Hall that hosts the exhibition '**The Mayas and the splendour of America**', made up of more than 50 works, especially focused on representative creations of the Mayan civilisation, but also including other pre-Columbian sculptures from Mesoamerica, Central and Western Mexico, as well as the Andean Area.



Pieces Culture Maya Claris Hotel & Spa 5*GL

Also in **Barcelona**, the **Hotel Astoria 3***, which preserves the classic style of the 1950s, has some **400 pieces, the largest existing collection of paintings and drawings by Ricardo Opisso**, one of the great Catalan draughtsmen and graphic chronicler of Barcelona, who was able to reflect Barcelona life in the first half of the 20th century, the period in which the Hotel was built.

Likewise, in the **Grand Derby Suite**, DHC displays paintings by the most representative authors of Contemporary Art such as Picasso, Dalí, Miró or Tápies, among others.

On an international level, **The Caesar 4***, London, has a collection of Roman mosaics, ceramics dating mostly from the 4th and 5th centuries A.D., authentic works of Syrian craftsmanship. *"We have hotels and luxury flats in Madrid, Barcelona, Paris and London that house more than 5,000 works of ancient and contemporary art. Exclusive spaces of great artistic value where, beyond sleeping, guests and visitors live experiences designed to awaken the senses. And this differential value is what our guests remember and generates a memorable experience for them forever"*, says **Joaquim Clos, DHC General Manager**.

"Jewels of Art Nouveau" at the 5* Hotel Bagués in Barcelona

Located in the heart of Barcelona's Las Ramblas, the **5* Hotel Bagués** has been deeply linked to the city and Modernisme through art, standing as a tribute to the Art Nouveau that made Barcelona one of the world's greatest cultural capitals.



Carved and acid-etched glass vases from the "Jewels of Art Nouveau" collection

Jordi Clos, president and founder of Derby Hotels Collection, presents a **collection of 27 vases** that capture the essence of the artistic movement of the Art Nouveau period in the Museum Room of the Hotel Bagués 5*. Of these 27 jewels, half are composed of works by the renowned artist **Émile Gallé**, and other artists of the period. Gallé (Nancy, 1846-1904) is considered to be one of the leading innovators of the French Art Nouveau movement and is best known for his work in glass. He was also one of the founders of the École de Nancy. These works, as a whole, are a cultural treasure that, years ago, adorned the rooms of a distinguished noble family in Madrid, before being brought together for this unique exhibition in this Hotel Museum located in the heart of Barcelona.

Passion for art passed down from generation to generation

Derby Hotels Collection is the main sponsor of the **Clos Archaeological Foundation**, which owns the **Egyptian Museum in Barcelona**, with the largest private collection of Egyptian art in Europe on public display, and which has been funding archaeological excavations in Egypt for more than twenty years, including carved and acid-etched glass vases from the "Jewels of Art

Nouveau" collection. In 2024, the **Egyptian Museum of Barcelona celebrates its 30th anniversary**.

The Foundation develops specific activities and programmes around Pharaonic art. In 2023, more than 4,500 hotel guests visited the Museum, and, through the collaboration of patronage, the Museum has welcomed more **than 23,000 schoolchildren**, thus bringing Pharaonic art and culture closer to the youngest.

Derby Hotels Collection also provides its guests with the "**Art Passport**", a service that allows them to complete the experience and discover the exclusive pieces of art housed in each of its hotels, as well as an invitation to visit the **Egyptian Museum in Barcelona**, as DHC is the main patron of the museum and the Clos Archaeological Foundation.

About Derby Hotels Collection

The company currently has 22 luxury establishments in Barcelona, Madrid, London and Paris. Each one of them is different and unrepeatable, spaces that offer an accommodation and gastronomic experience.

Passionate about hotels, art and culture, Jordi Clos is the president of Derby Hotels Collection, founder of the Egyptian Museum of Barcelona and president of the Clos Archaeological Foundation, and Joaquim Clos, General Manager. The Clos family's stamp and identity are present in every corner of its hotels and flats.

Derby Hotels Collection is a global company, attentive to sustainability, collaborating with social organizations that promote values of integration, equal opportunities and social inclusion, and creating unique experiences of excellence, gastronomy and culture.

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