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BETTER WITH AGE

ROYAL CRUSH

It's not too much of an exaggeration to say that the creation of the current **Louis XIII** cognac (\$3,500, louisxiii-cognac.com) dates to 1874, when the blend was first conceived. There's no eau de vie in the current bottling quite that old, but this exquisite combination of finesse and power is the result of nothing if not long-term thinking (and the skills of the house's cellar masters). The current officiant, Baptiste Loiseau, took the reins in 2014 at the tender age of 34, and, like his four predecessors, he selects the finest barrels from previous decades for this, the house's pinnacle expression fit (hem) for a king. "You have a lot of aromas: plums, figs," Loiseau said at a recent tasting. "And the concentration of time." —David Zivan



JUST SAY SPA

SWISS BLISS

Hôtel Plaza Athénée's Valmont Spa unveils a new alpine-inspired facial that is the very pinnacle of luxury.

By Maggie Meskhi // Photography by Jill Lotenberg

With water from Swiss glaciers collected at an altitude of more than 1.2 miles in the fresh mountain air, **Valmont** created a deluxe skincare line enriched by the benefits of glacial spring water. Hôtel Plaza Athénée, which houses the only Spa Valmont location in the country, is now offering elite facials using these resources. The new Summit of the Cervin facial launches in celebration of Valmont's new anti-aging skincare collection, AWF5. Named for one of Switzerland's highest summits, the facial utilizes the AWF5 products—along with the spa's trademark butterfly massage technique—to smooth and lift the skin to new heights. 60 minutes for \$300, 90 minutes for \$395, 37 E. 64th St., plaza-athenee.com

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COMING CLEAN

In an industry filled with chemically laden products, **Detox Market** is bringing green beauty to New York with a new flagship store. The "jewel box" building, designed by Suulin Architects, features two stories of white marble, ash wood fixtures and lush, plant-filled interiors, designed to complement a suite of eco-friendly products. "When we open a new store, we always focus all of our energy on creating a unique experience—a place where clients can ask questions, learn and challenge us while feeling at home," says founder and CEO Romain Gaillard. The space is equipped with a top floor dedicated to one-on-one consultations and private treatments. Meticulous product testing, which includes the maintenance of a comprehensive list of banned ingredients available for customer review, ensures that every line on the shelves—including a new in-house brand called Detox Mode—is an exemplar of wellness in beauty. 76 E. Houston St., thedetoxmarket.com —Christian DeVerger



Detox Mode
Altogether
Oil, \$32