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ARLES Goes Gehry

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An eclectic destination, Arles combines traditional pastimes with modern amenities.

LEFT TO RIGHT: The corrida, a legacy of Spanish influences; Hôtel le Calendal's new spa, which overlooks the Roman amphitheater. Background: Vasco Ascolini's "Villeneuve-lès-Avignon" (1990), part of the Musée Réattu's extensive photo collection.

HOTELS

Hôtel le Calendal This 17th-century building offers an enviable location between the Amphithéâtre and the Théâtre Antique, along with views of one or the other from many of the rooms. The owners' continual improvements and unfailing attention to guests recently earned their establishment three stars. Rooms are decorated in the warm reds and yellows typical of the area, the restaurant has a gorgeous garden for breakfast or lunch, and a brand-new spa features a Jacuzzi looking directly onto the Arena—very Roman indeed. *Doubles are €109 year round. 5 rue Porte de Laure; Tel. 33/4-90-96-11-89; lecalendal.com.*



A sun-drenched salon
at Hôtel le Calendal.