



the WILD CALM *of* MYKONOS



When in Mykonos, Interni is one of those classics you inevitably end up at one summer night. Over dinner, the music slowly begins to take over. It starts with old classics from the '60s and '70s, then the '80s — always uplifting, dance-inducing hits. Later, the tempo rises. Suddenly Bad Bunny is playing, followed by a traditional sirtaki anthem. Bartenders are dancing on the bar, even the waiters are enjoying themselves. Before long, everyone is on their feet. I have experienced this atmosphere at Interni several times, and every time I left happy. But this story is not about Interni. It is about another place connected to it — one of Mykonos' most secluded escapes: The Wild Hotel by Interni.

Set on the rocky hillside above Kalafatis Beach, right next to the famous Spilia Seaside Restaurant, The Wild is the vision of brothers Alex and Philip Varveris, who grew up surrounded by design as part of the family legacy behind MODA BAGNO and INTERNI. If Interni Restaurant captures the more high-energy, scene-driven side of Mykonos, The Wild stands at the opposite end of the spectrum. The mood here is entirely different: quieter, more private, less performative. Even its small beach feels that way — a quiet oasis hidden among wild rocks. The rooms, positioned like a natural amphitheatre, continue this serene spirit. All of them face the sea. Or, as in the suite where I stayed, both the expansive sea view and the rugged landscape next door, where goats roam freely across the hillsides.





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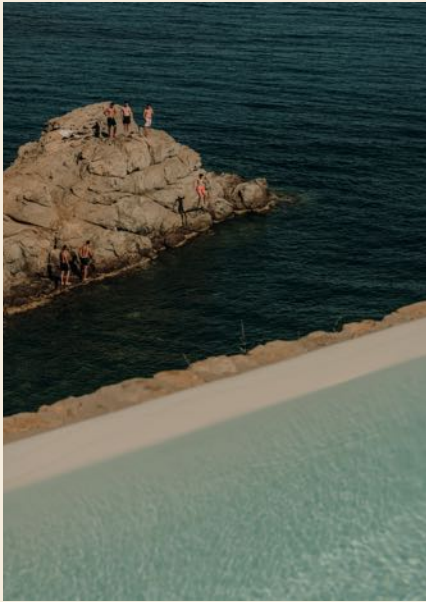


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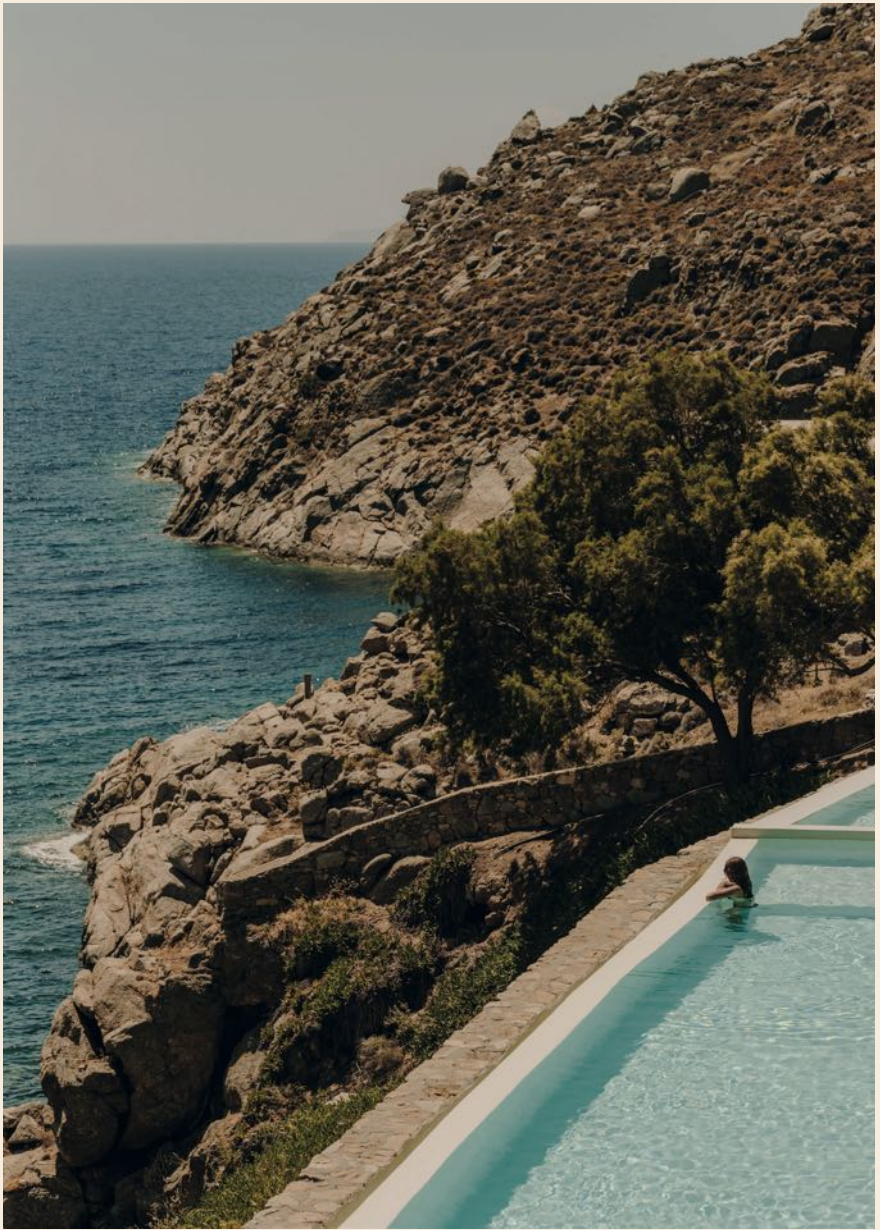
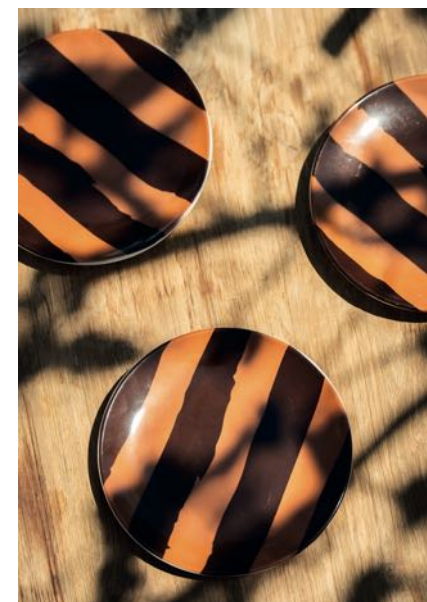




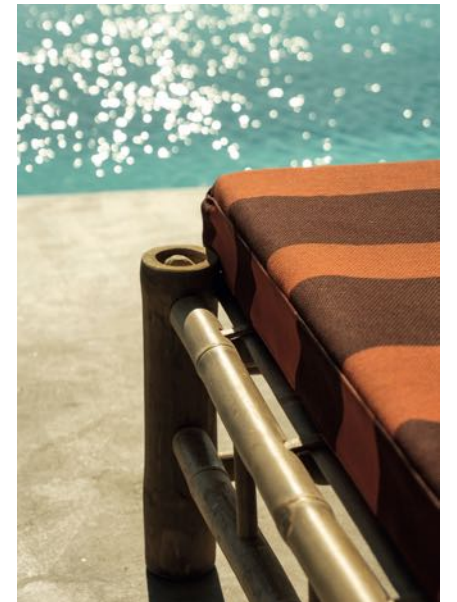
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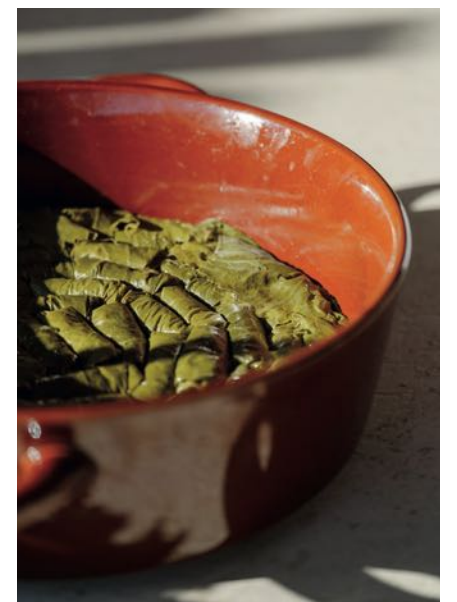
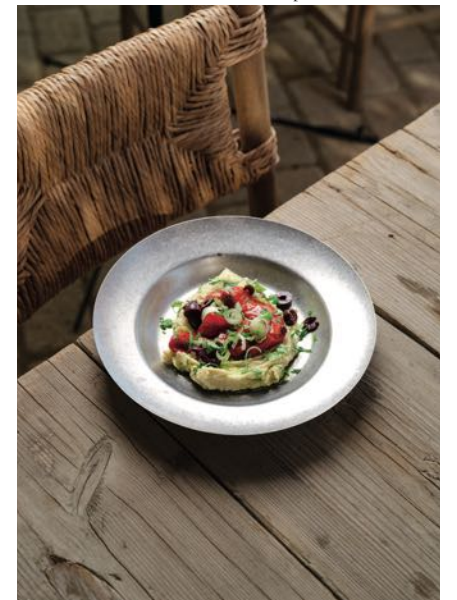
THE RIANNA + NINA TOUCH

The hotel was recently refreshed with the touches of RIANNA + NINA, the brand founded by Rianna Kounou and Nina Knaudt, which began as a small boutique in Berlin in 2014 before growing into a global label. Their touch appears everywhere — from the beach loungers and umbrellas to the lounge cushions and restaurant plates. I especially loved the sunbeds on the beach and the tableware in the restaurant. The collaboration came about after the Varveris brothers met designer Rianna Kounou two years ago. Inspired by her connection to traditional Greek craftsmanship, they decided to create a special collection for the hotel together.



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AEGEAN MEZE, REINTERPRETED

As for the restaurants, dining is one of The Wild's strongest aspects. There are two restaurants, though the standout is undoubtedly MEZÉ at The Wild Hotel, overlooking the bay from above. Conceived as a tribute to Greek meze culture, the restaurant's menu, created by chef Charalampos Papathanasiou, focuses on the simplicity of Aegean cuisine and the natural quality of its ingredients. Recipes passed down from his grandmother are reworked with a contemporary touch and, naturally, designed for sharing. The wide-open sea view does the rest.