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DESIGN DIRECTORY

Sparkling new interiors for 2019

Architects' Directory:
the ones to watch

Glorious glassware
for every occasion

Hot new kitchens,
bold new bathrooms



486: Antiques such as binoculars and magnifying glasses, mostly handpicked in Africa, used as decorative items throughout the camp's tents

100: Approximate age in years of the terracotta water vessels that now decorate the spa



10: Vintage trunks used as tables in the guest tents

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A year after the opening of Omaanda, a private lodge near the Namibian capital Windhoek, Belgian group Zannier Hotels has launched Sonop Namibia, a luxury tented camp on the southern edge of the Namib Desert. Featuring a nuanced mixture of antiques, modern amenities and earthy interiors, the ten tents serve as richly appointed launchpads from which to explore the surrounding desert dunes and rock formations. Copper bathtubs and four-poster beds nod to the refined, 1920s British explorer aesthetic, as do details such as flasks, binoculars and vintage maps. Contemporary amenities – all solar-powered – include a spa and an outdoor infinity pool. Dinner is at a communal table, with butler service. Evenings can be rounded off at the gentlemen's club-styled Cocktail & Cigar Lounge, with billiards and parlour games, or the open-air cinema, where screenings may be enjoyed in the hush of the desert. **Ella Marshall**

Sonop Farm, Road D707, Karas Region, tel: 264-84 0000 888, zannierhotels.com. Rates: from £495