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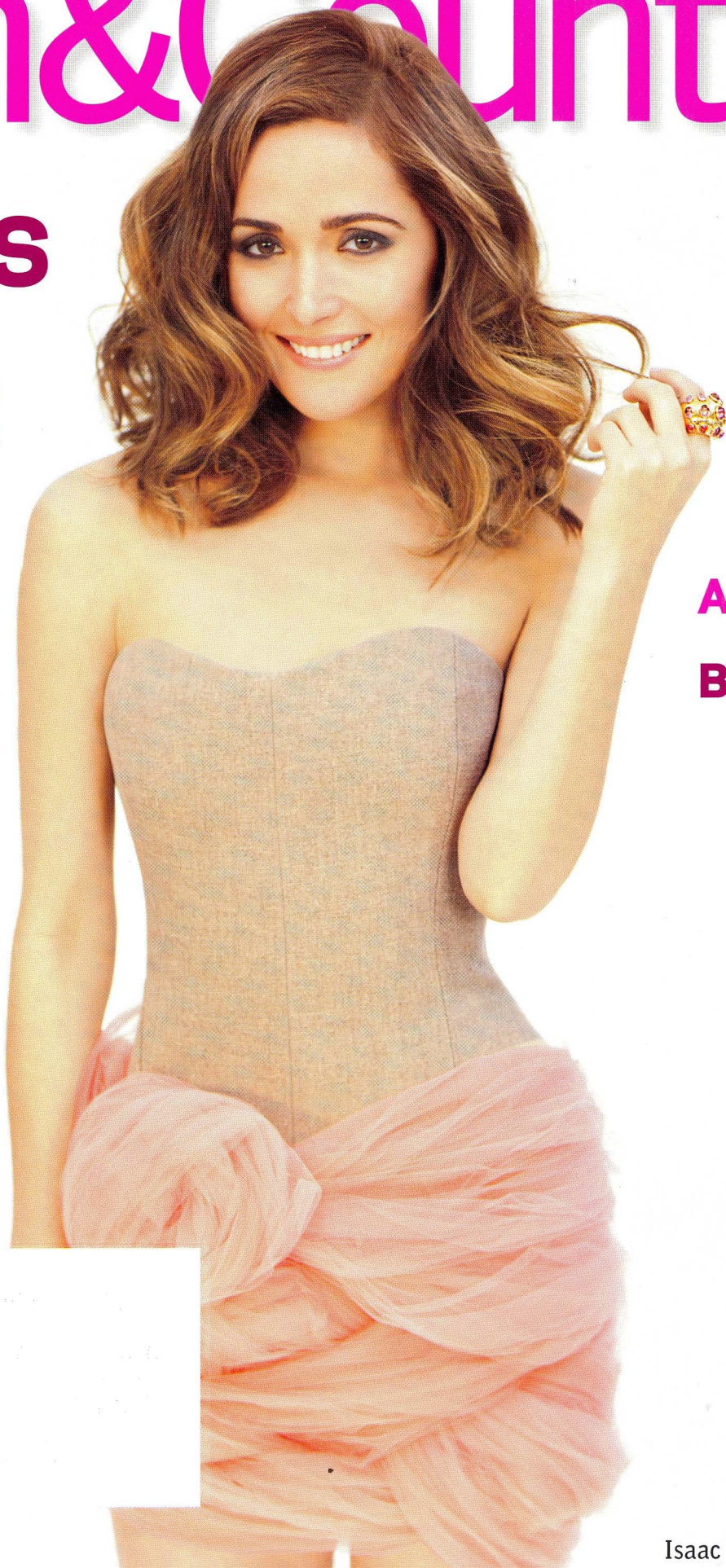
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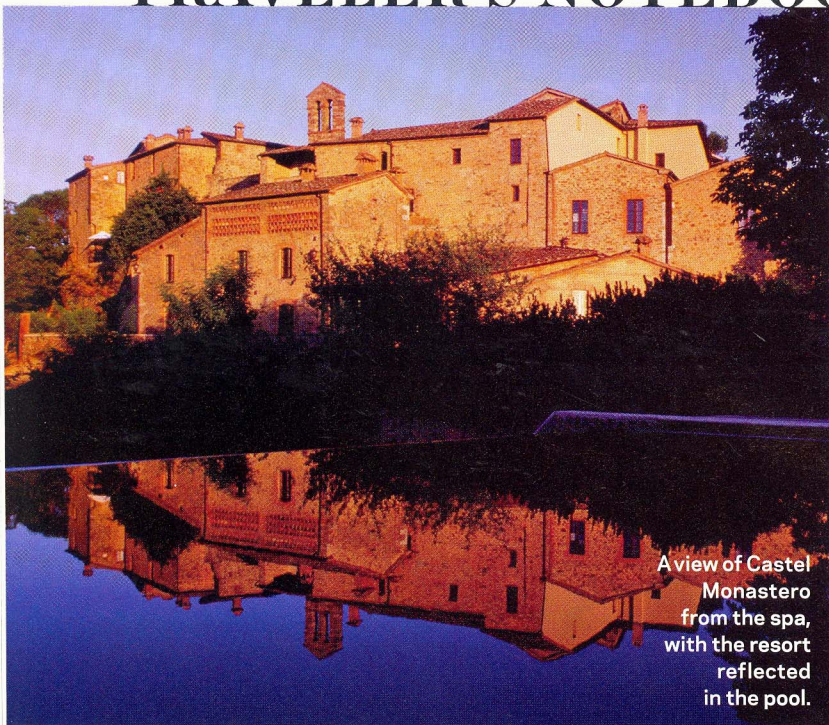
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Rose Byrne wears
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A view of Castel Monastero from the spa, with the resort reflected in the pool.

A MONASTERY REMADE

TUSCANY Get a taste of what it's like to sleep in a 21st-century version of a medieval hamlet by spending a few nights at **Castel Monastero**, just outside Siena, Italy. The 11th-century village-cum-hotel—equipped with a trilevel pool, a spa and a staff straight out of a Dolce & Gabbana ad—is actually a collection of restored stone buildings surrounding a piazza, where guests dine alfresco on dishes conceived by Gordon Ramsay. Exposed wooden beams and Rubelli fabrics accentuate the rustic-chic ambience of the seventy-six suites, some of which are outfitted with fireplaces and frescoed walls. After wine tastings and horseback rides in the region, lose yourself on the stone pathways that crisscross the ten-acre property. As the sun descends, settle in for a candlelit dinner among the vines; then finish the lazy day with a bottle of Brunello in the comfort of your thousand-year-old lair. *Suites from \$560. Monastero d'Ombone; 011-39-0577-570-001; castelmonastero.com.*

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LET IT SNOWMASS

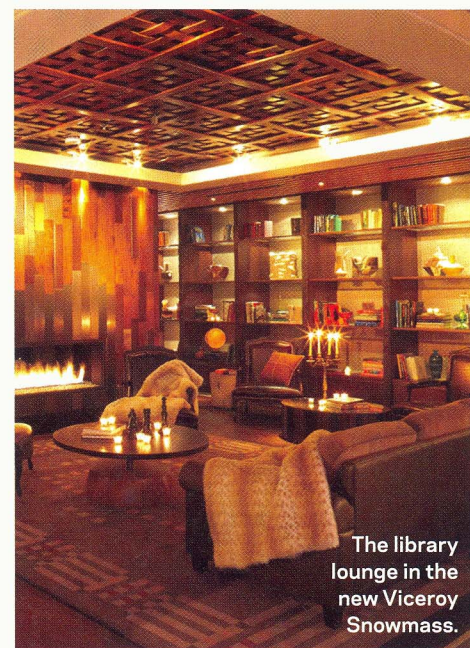
COLORADO

Perennially overshadowed by neighboring Aspen, Snowmass Village at last has a luxury hot spot to call its own. At the ski-in, ski-out **Viceroy Snowmass**, which debuted this winter, rich walnut, leather and granite adorn every elegant nook of the 173 guest rooms, and that upscale stylishness extends well beyond the accommodations. Located below Snowmass's newly expanded Base Village—with restaurants, shops and the Treehouse Kids' Adventure Center—the Viceroy offers cooking classes and movie nights for children through its Generation V program; serves fresh Rocky Mountain trout at

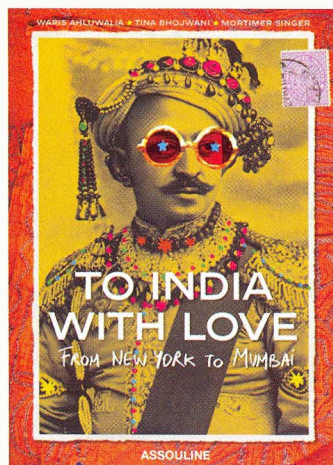
the trendy Eight K restaurant; and puts a new spin on the après-ski concept with cocktails presented in heated cabanas (courtesy of Viceroy Hotel Group design guru Kelly Wearstler). Add a few holistic treatments at the spa and spectacular

valley views through the library's floor-to-ceiling windows, and there's little reason to leave family-friendly Snowmass for the fur-clad crowds of Aspen. *Doubles from \$425. 970-923-8000; viceroy-snowmass.com.*

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The library lounge in the new Viceroy Snowmass.



PASSAGE TO INDIA *Travelers have always flocked to this land, but tourism took a nosedive after the November 2008 terrorist attacks on popular sites in Mumbai. To reinvigorate the destination, the founders of the charity group Mumbai: We Got Your Back solicited boldfaced names in fashion, film and design for their memories of India and compiled them in a 160-page tribute called **To India With Love** (Assouline; \$49.95). Designer Tory Burch recalls waiting to meet Mother Teresa while studying abroad, Padma Lakshmi shares photos from a wedding she crashed, and filmmakers provide personal images of the locations they scouted. Ten percent of the book's retail price will go to the Taj Public Service Welfare Trust, a relief organization for attack victims. What's not to love?*

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