

COMPACT EDITION

BRITISH

GENTLEMEN'S QUARTERLY

AUG  
2015  
£3.99

WORLD EXCLUSIVE

# Channing TATUM

From JUMP  
STREET to  
TARANTINO

America's favourite  
bro GOES PRO

INTERVIEW BY STUART MCGURK

PHOTOGRAPHED FOR GQ BY NORMAN JEAN ROY



+

What part of your  
body should  
you never pierce?

AND IT'S NOT WHAT  
YOU THINK... PAGE 54

EXTREME SPORT

CAN  
ANYONE  
RUN A  
MARATHON  
IN TWO  
HOURS?

Ed Caesar meets  
a man on the edge

INTERVIEW

'I threw a  
Rolex out of  
the window  
because it  
was listening  
to me'

Paul Gascoigne  
comes clean to  
Alastair Campbell

FILM

## CASINO: 20 YEARS ON

Behind the scenes on Scorsese's REAL masterpiece

## BEAT THE RETREAT

Hidden away from the hordes, these luxurious **Saint-Tropez** sanctuaries are strictly for those in the know



**SAINT-TROPEZ** in high season isn't for the faint-hearted, but for those looking to relax there are two hidden gems: one set back from the port on Rue Gambetta, the other beyond the beaches buried deep in the foliated coastline at Ramatuelle.

North African influences aren't unusual on this part of the coast, but the charming **Hôtel Pan Dei Palais** goes in for something even more exotic. This former home – built by a French general just back from India, with his Punjabi princess wife and five children – is ideally placed between the authentic Saturday marketplace of Place des Lices and the port, yet somehow neglects to announce the splendours within: Asiatic-style decor, softened further by an intimate lobby and boutique basement spa.

The discretion doesn't end there. Sunk into its walled garden is a swimming pool, surrounded by daybeds, that by night becomes one of Saint-Tropez's most attractive – and low-key – destination dining spots.

However, if you find a more relaxing yet prestigious dining spot than **La Voile** at **La Réserve Ramatuelle**, then keep it to yourself – the last thing you need is the rest of the world descending on what can only be the second-best setting on the Riviera.

We say 'second best, because however incredible your secret rendezvous might seem, it won't compare to the location enjoyed by the middle sibling in **La Réserve's** perfectly formed family of properties. (The first overlooks Lake Geneva and the latest, in Paris, threw open its doors – quietly – late last year.)



Saint-Tropez day: **Hôtel Pan Dei Palais' pool** and (below) its must-visit restaurant



Chill factor: **La Réserve Ramatuelle** is a modernist haven with sweeping sea views

Ramatuelle lies south of Saint-Tropez, in the middle of a nature reserve overlooking the deep-blue Mediterranean, where **La Réserve** sits nestled between the cliffs. The stark modernism of this one-time private home is undercut by Asian-inspired calm and a decor that reads like a minimalist's colour chart. Thankfully, the service overrides the omnipresent "chill factor", and extends to a spa in what was once the property's private disco.

The good times (and bad mornings after) may have migrated down and off the coast, but **La Réserve Ramatuelle** luxuriates instead in **La Voile**, Eric Canino's Michelin-starred dining room. A disciple of "lean-cuisine" innovator Michel Guérard, Chef Canino has rebored Provençal cooking to remove all added fats and refined sugars, with many of the ingredients originating in the hotel's own kitchen garden. **GO**

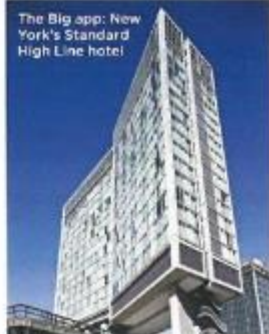
Rooms at **Hôtel Pan Dei Palais** start at £423. 52 Rue Gambetta, 83990 Saint-Tropez. +33 4 94 17 71 71, [pandei.com](http://pandei.com). Rooms at **La Réserve Ramatuelle Hotel, Spa and Villas** start at £560. Chemin de Quessine, 83350 Ramatuelle. +41 22 959 59 59, [loreserve.com](http://loreserve.com)



British Airways flies to **Nice** from £36 each way. For further information or to book visit [ba.com](http://ba.com)

## APP OF THE MONTH

From the pinafores chambermaid wagging a carpet beater rather suggestively while it's loading, the new app from the **Standard hotel group** – its response to the demand for last-minute rooms at a fair price – was never going to be aimed solely at those stranded by a snowstorm or avoiding an excessive Uber fare. Instead, as the name suggests, **One Night Standard** is targeting the impulsive local requiring near-immediate access to a room at a rate and via a relationship that doesn't require the reverse-walk of shame. After logging in, payment-card details are held within the app, allowing the booking to take just 30 seconds. Same-day bookings from 3pm with availability until 5am. Tinder is the night, indeed. [standardhotels.com/onenightstandard](http://standardhotels.com/onenightstandard)



The Big app: New York's **Standard High Line** hotel