

December
In the City

December is the quiet end of the year in both cities. In Florence the Christmas market fills Piazza Santa Croce, the lights are up across the centre, and the short days leave the city mostly to the people who live in it. This is the month we launch the Wine Residency at Abitazione, and the month Cuculia comes to cook in the house. In Marrakech the days stay wild and the evenings turn cold enough for a fire and the hammam.

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The Wine Residency

La Carta Chiusa, and a winter curriculum

This month we open the Wine Residency at Abitazione, a curriculum built around Chianti terroir and led by our Programme Curator, Francesca Elli – the idea being that a guest leaves Florence with something learned, not only seen.

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WHAT'S ON

Christmas in Florence

The Santa Croce market, to 20 December

Through December the German Christmas market fills Piazza Santa Croce, the city's lights are lit from the centre out to Le Cure, and the short days give Florence back to the people who live in it.

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Cuculia

Oliver Betancourt and Roberta Del Prete

Cuculia is a restaurant and bookshop in the Oltrarno, founded in 2013 by chef Oliver Betancourt and sommelier Roberta Del Prete – the chefs we turn to again and again to cook in the house, both for private dinners at Abitazione and for several of the Wine Residency experiences. We spoke to Oliver and Roberta about running a kitchen and a cellar as a pair, a dining room lined with books, the Oltrarno they have cooked in for over a decade, and what changes when they cook in someone else's home.

Read the full interview

MARRAKECH

Midweek Marrakech:

Save 10% from Sunday to Wednesday

Save 10% from Sunday to Wednesday, on stays at Dar Al Dall and make the middle of the week feel rather less ordinary. Until December 15th.

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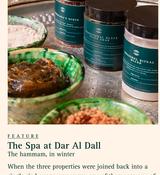

FEATURE

The Spa at Dar Al Dall

The hammam, in winter

When the three properties were joined back into a single riad over seven years, one of them was one of the quarter's former communal oven. The kitchen took part of it; the spa took the rest. It is a fitting inheritance: a place built to hold heat, now holding the steam of the hammam. Bathing runs through the whole house, in the rooms and in the spa, and in winter it comes into its own.

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IN HOUSE

A Private Evening at Dar Al Dall

Dinner by the fire

On a winter night the house opens to a single table of guests who are not staying with us, for a private four-course dinner – the walk in through the medina, a welcome drink in the courtyard, and the fire lit.

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Dar El Bacha, Museum of Confluences

An afternoon out of the cold

When the afternoon turns cold, Dar El Bacha – the restored pasha's palace in the medina, now the Museum of Confluences – is the place to spend it, among courtyards of zellige and a cup of coffee worth the stop.

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RESTAURANT

Villa Aaron

Contemporary Mediterranean cuisine

Set within a restored villa, Villa Aaron brings together Mediterranean cooking and Moroccan influences in a setting that feels more like a private home than a restaurant.

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