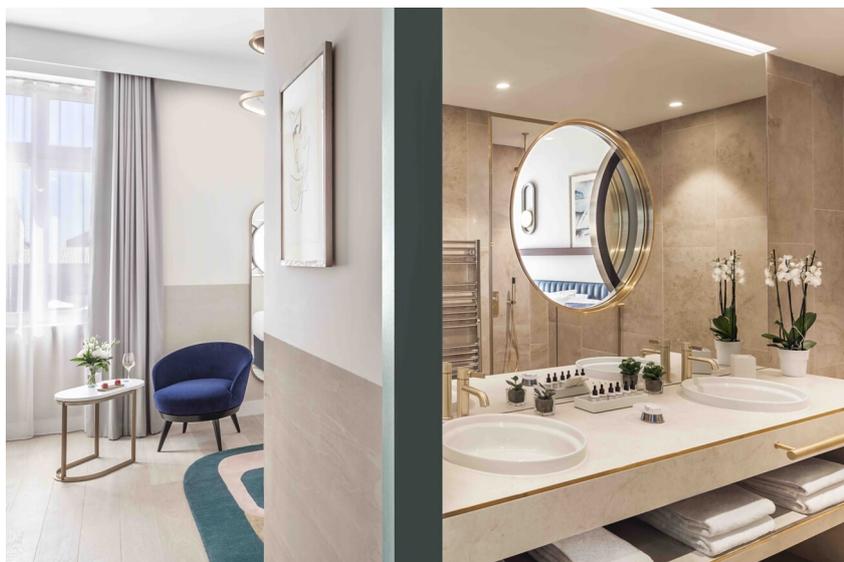


A legendary hotel starts a new life

Ava Gardner and Ernest Hemingway used to stay at Hotel Imperator in the southern French city of Nîmes. TOTO WASHLET delivers the ultimate comfort and hygiene in the wellness-inspired bathrooms in this completely renovated five-star hotel.



The Centaurus Group and their boutique hotel brand, Maison Albar Hotels, have brought “Hotel L’Imperator” in Nîmes back to life. After around 20 months of renovations, the legendary hotel once again offers its discerning guests extraordinary comfort – just a few steps away from the tourist highlights of the Southern French city. The famed Roman Arena, Maison Carrée and Jardin de la Fontaine are just around the corner.

Nîmes is known as the “Rome of France” for its many well-maintained structures from Roman times. Guests will find Imperator a comfortable oasis ideally situated in the heart of this fascinating city. When they walk through the doors of the city’s most famous hotel, they will find a world of effortless luxury: 53 rooms, eight private homes and a splendid garden spanning over 1,000 m². The hotel was built in the Art Déco style of the 1920s. Today, it is home to three restaurants run by Michelin-star chef Pierre Gagnaire, a spa, and indoor and outdoor pools.

French-Argentinian architect Marcelo Joulia redesigned “Hotel L’Imperator” in collaboration with the Paris-based architecture and design firm Atelier COS. Today, Imperator is an exquisite five-star hotel that promises guests an extraordinary stay with the charm of Southern France. Marcelo Joulia used contemporary materials to bring the glorious past of this hotel back to life – once housing names such as Ava Gardner, Ernest Hemingway, Salvador Dalí and Picasso.

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TOTO provides comfort and hygiene in the bathroom

Located in the heart of Nîmes, the hotel is a quiet refuge that offers guests complete privacy – down to the bathrooms, which all feature one of TOTO's top products: WASHLET. The shower toilet from the Japanese bathroom supplier looks amazing in the elegant hotel bathrooms designed by architect Marcelo Joulia, which feature beige natural stone, brass and elegant marble. Like many luxury hotel owners, the Albar family decided to work with TOTO. Exclusive design, hygiene, comfort and Japanese bathing culture – TOTO WASHLET is synonymous with all of these. It's no wonder that over 50 million of them have been sold around the world so far.

The most important WASHLET hygiene and comfort features at a glance.

- Adjustable warm water cleansing – temperature, spray type and pressure
 - Odour absorption
 - Heated seat
 - EWATER+ cleans the ceramic and wand jet with electrolysed water, which has antibacterial properties
 - PREMIST coats the toilet bowl in a fine mist of water prior to use – it's more difficult for dirt and waste to stick to the ceramic when it's wet
 - The powerful TORNADO FLUSH thoroughly cleans the entire toilet bowl
 - The long-lasting CEFIONTECT glaze keeps the surface looking shiny and new for years while preventing bacteria or dirt from accumulating.
 - Elegant, easy-to-use remote control
- (the features may vary based on the model)

WASHLET provides enhanced comfort in the bathrooms at Hotel Imperator – for the well-being of all guests.

Facts + figures

Project: Maison Albar Hotel L'Imperator in Nîmes, France

Category: 5-star hotel

Number of rooms: 53 rooms and 8 private houses

Architect: Marcelo Joulia in collaboration with Atelier COS

Website: www.maison-albar-hotels-l-imperator.com

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1 French-Argentinian architect Marcelo Joulia redesigned “Hotel L’Imperator” in collaboration with the Paris-based architecture and design firm Atelier COS. Photo: ©STEFAN KRAUS

2 The luxurious five-star hotel was built in the Art Déco style of the 1920s. Today, it is home to three restaurants run by Michelin-star chef Pierre Gagnaire, a spa, and indoor and outdoor pools. Photo: ©STEFAN KRAUS

3 Located in the heart of Nîmes, the hotel is a quiet refuge that offers guests complete privacy – down to the exclusive bathrooms. Photo: ©STEFAN KRAUS

4 Architect Marcelo Joulia designed the bathrooms in beige natural stone, brass and elegant marble. Photo: ©STEFAN KRAUS



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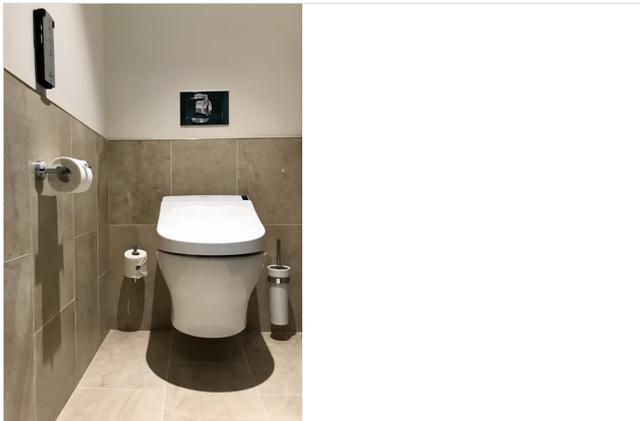
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5 The bathrooms at Hotel Imperator all feature one of TOTO's top products: WASHLET. The shower toilet from the Japanese bathroom manufacturer is a perfect fit in these high-end bathrooms. Photo: TOTO

6 Like many luxury hotel owners, the Albar family decided to work with TOTO. The Japanese bathroom manufacturer is synonymous with design, hygiene and outstanding comfort all around the world. Photo: ©STEFAN KRAUS

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About TOTO Europe

TOTO, one of the world's leading sanitary ware companies, has an unwavering focus on people and their well-being. Established in Kitakyushu, Japan in 1917, TOTO has been developing, producing and marketing its comprehensive high-end bathroom concepts for the European market since 2009. The company aims to create a new attitude towards life through regeneration, comfort and hygiene, integrating technologies into their product designs in a smart, nearly invisible way. Japan's leading manufacturer in the sector, TOTO offers a comprehensive range of products including ceramic sanitary ware, faucets and accessories. In 2020, the company looked back on 40 years of developing and manufacturing its renowned WASHLET™. TOTO supports the development of a fully emission-free society and is very committed to sustainability: By joining the RE100 initiative, TOTO Group will convert all of its facilities to power from sustainable energy sources by the year 2040. The company also received certification from the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBT) to reduce greenhouse gases in line with the Paris Agreement, and to systematically cut CO₂ emissions further on this basis. TOTO employs 30,000 people world-wide.

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