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## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS UP THE CAPITAL

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## Global

# Nomads no more

Co-working spaces arrive at the natural next step in their evolution: co-living

### COMMUNITY

Frequent travelers know that co-working spaces are a necessity. A recent *Colliers* report forecasted that by 2030, 30% of office spaces in the Asia Pacific region will be co-working in nature. But not all remote workers are tied to one city, and options are limited for those seeking to blend travel with work.

Enter hospitality providers around the world who are rushing to meet the demand. In Shanghai, ① **Paper Shanghai** – a co-working space for designers – collaborated with hotel management company H12 to add guest rooms to the facility. “We recognize that in 2017, there are no more boundaries between work spaces and one’s private life,” says co-founder Jacopo Stecchini.

Similarly, Hong Kong’s ② **Campfire** plans to open its first co-working and co-living space in Sham Shui Po by year-end. According to co-founder Wang Tse, the idea is to provide a more “seamless transition from work to home, and home to work”.

Far from just offering a convenience to those working in the gig economy, though, these venues also aim to build a

community. Paper Shanghai hosts design exhibitions such as the Salone del Mobile, while Campfire organizes networking events. “It’s about the culture, and how it heightens collaborations,” Wang says. “By being industry-focused, we can maximize this.”

Indeed, outfits that cater to the mobile demographic are opening up in multiple locations, and offer community-building activities such as surfing, yoga and weekend trips. “On one hand, there’s the rise of co-working spaces, and on the other hand, the hospitality industry is growing,” says Roam co-founder Bruno Haid. “We kind of merged the two.” Roam’s Tokyo, Bali, London and Miami outposts offer fully furnished private rooms and baths, as well as shared dining and co-working areas with speedy WiFi.

Though its gig-economy-focused guests often stay for a month, Roam welcomes any traveler who wants a quiet place to work and a comfortable base to explore a city. “It’s about making this lifestyle accessible to more people,” Haid explains. “The average Roamer is 38 and established in their career, has their own business and wants to travel.”

Another company working in a similar vein is ③ **Nomad House**. It partners with co-working and co-living spaces to organize work retreats, with upcoming trips to India, Vietnam and Bali. “We’re still in the early stages of normalizing this lifestyle,” says co-founder Arthur Itey. “We have to constantly explain that this is not a vacation and that we’re actually working!” – **Dana Ter**

## United Kingdom

### MILLENNIAL PINK

Picture-perfect buildings in England to check out on your travels

#### DESIGN

#### R7

London, England

Located in King’s Cross, this building’s aluminum façade is decked out in two eye-catching pink hues. Inside, you’ll find office spaces, retail offerings and public amenities, with high ceilings and shared spaces to encourage collaboration.

#### Berrington Hall

Herefordshire, England

Designed by Heather and Ivan Morison, this pineapple-shaped pavilion resembles an origami structure and is located in the center of a walled garden. The structure is encased in a pink shell that pops amid its verdant green surroundings.

#### The Gallery at Sketch

London, England

At this Mayfair establishment, diners can sit atop plush, color-coordinated velvet sofas or comfy chairs while admiring 293 of British artist David Shrigley’s works that are hung on the walls. The menu isn’t too shabby, either.

