

CASA PALOPÓ

ATITLAN GUATEMALA



Lake Atitlan's Casa Palopó Unveils Expansion

Guatemala's first and only Relais & Chateaux hotel answers traveler demand with new exquisitely designed rooms and suites

LAKE ATITLAN, GUATEMALA - May 2018 - Guatemala's leading luxury boutique hotel, Casa Palopó, announces the completion of a much anticipated hotel expansion with the addition of six new rooms and suites, bringing the total room count to 15.

Perched on the edge of Santa Catarina Palopó, one of twelve Mayan towns dotting the shore of Lake Atitlán, Casa Palopó offers an exclusive, high-end retreat for the sophisticated traveler who values a rich dose of culture with their vacation experience. Once a private home, the original building housed seven rooms prior to the expansion, in addition to a separate three-bedroom villa located 150 steps above the main hotel. One of the existing rooms in the main hotel, formerly the San Marcos deluxe, was taken out of inventory to be converted into a wellness area.

The new rooms and suites were built into a newly expanded wing of the main hotel, overlooking the pool deck with views of the surrounding greenery, lake and volcanoes just beyond. The new accommodations include one Superior Queen room, two Deluxe King rooms, two King Junior Suites, and one King Suite.

Boasting a more modern, contemporary look, yet keeping with Casa Palopó's colorful, indigenous inspired charm, each of the new rooms feature unique color palettes that range from soft yellows, blues and reds, lavender, and neutral tones. Furnishings are rustic with finished wood accents handmade by industrial designer **Diego Olivero**, who worked closely with Casa Palopó to develop and execute the stunning interior design. Pillows and textiles from **Algodones Maya** are incorporated throughout, as are iron accents, and wool rugs and wall décor from **Meso Goods**, paying homage to Guatemala's rich textile tradition.

Additional features include state-of-the-art bathrooms with glass-cased rainfall showers, stand-alone bathtubs in some of the rooms, and high-end supersonic limited edition hair dryers by Dyson, now available in all 15 rooms.

"Based on a growing demand for more rooms at Casa Palopó, it's been in our long term plans to expand, however, just enough to allow more guests to enjoy this cozy slice of heaven, while still keeping the level of intimacy, warmth and privacy only a property of our size can offer," said Claudia Bosch, owner of Casa Palopó.

Rates for the new accommodations range from \$278 to \$360 USD in the normal season, not inclusive of taxes and service. Plans for later this year include a new wellness area featuring a fitness studio, a spa room with a Mayan-inspired treatment menu.

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About Casa Palopó

Located on the shore of Lake Atitlan in the heart of the Guatemalan Highlands, Casa Palopó offers a quiet retreat for the sophisticated traveler. The main building, located on the lower level of the property, features 12 guest rooms and suites, international cuisine at 6.8 Palopó Restaurant, common living areas adorned with original Latin American paintings and artifacts, and a solar heated pool with oversized lounge chairs. The hotel offers a more exclusive retreat at Villa Palopó, located just 150 steps above the main hotel, featuring three large suites, a living room, dining room, full kitchen, two helicopter landing pads, and a private infinity pool with roofed lounge space and a wood-burning fireplace. Casa Palopó also offers accommodations in the historic and picturesque city of Antigua. For more information, please contact 1-888-479-6026 or visit www.casapalopo.com.

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