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The New Art-Centric Hotel Casa Malca Impresses in Tulum

Contemporary art is the soul of Casa Malca, a new boutique hotel in Tulum, Mexico

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New York gallerist Lio Malca is the man behind design-forward boutique hotel Casa Malca in Tulum, Mexico. Filled with contemporary works—including a sculpture by New York-based Kaws in one of the common areas (shown)—the nine-room property is being embraced by the stylish set who flock to this stretch of the Yucatán Peninsula for some R&R.



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An eclectic mix of furnishings, locally sourced items, and contemporary artwork in one of the hotel's common spaces.



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A Keith Haring print dominates the bar area.



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Wood planks lend texture to the walls inside the restaurant, which serves local fare. Bold artwork, graphic rugs, and

colorful chair upholstery enliven the space.

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One of the nine spacious guest rooms, which feature items crafted by local artisans, bright pops of color, and original works from Malca's private collection of contemporary paintings, sculpture, photography, and new-media pieces.

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Guest baths are filled with natural materials, resulting in an easy yet chic look.

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The pool overlooks a stunning white-sand beach. *From \$600/night; [designhotels.com](https://www.designhotels.com)*

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