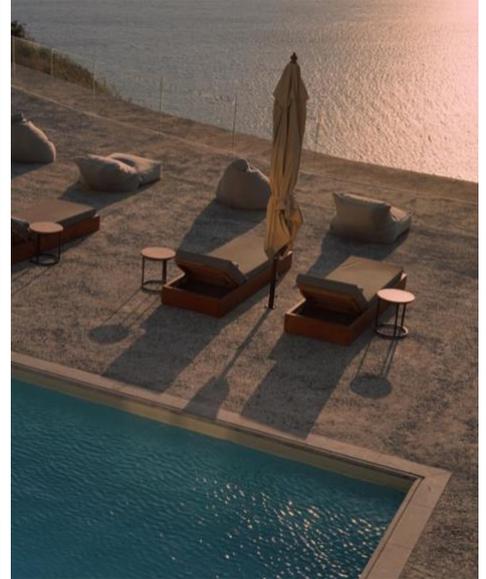
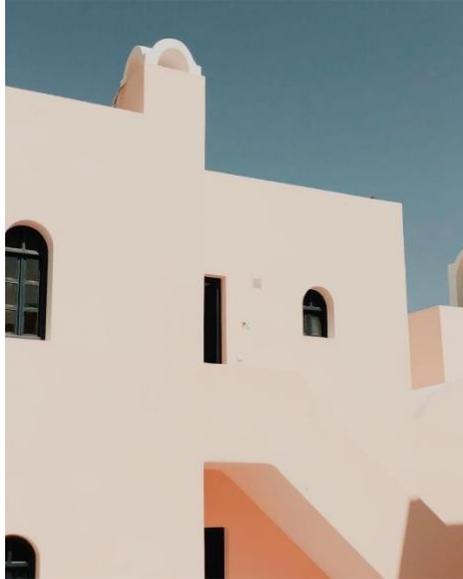


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**THE GREEK ISLANDS SEEN THROUGH PIA RIVEROLA'S LENS:
KANAVA HOTELS & RESORTS PARTNERS WITH RENOWNED PHOTOGRAPHER
TO REIMAGINE THE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE EXPERIENCE**



September 2021 – This season, renowned photographer Pia Riverola is partnering with Kanava Hotels & Resorts, Greece's leading luxury hospitality group, for her latest photography exhibition. Celebrating the magic of the Greek islands, Pia will set out to create a pop-up installation at the group's Mystique, a Luxury Collection Hotel in Santorini, that honors the hotels and resorts as the epicenter of Greek authenticity for today's sophisticated traveller whilst showcasing their location's rich heritage and storied soulful experiences in her signature modern day style.

Over the course of a fourteen-day shoot, Pia created scenes utilising the hotels' locations of Santorini and Paros offering original content that will be a celebration of both an artist's vision and her muse, the Kanava properties. Born and raised in Barcelona, Riverola was introduced to photography during her childhood, when she was given a Minolta point-and-shoot-camera by her grandfather. She used her new tool to capture her immediate surroundings, as a way to preserve memories, moments of rare beauty within her everyday environment which, with time, would otherwise fade, or be completely lost. It is this same tenet that underpins her practice today and has engendered the beautiful tapestry that is her oeuvre.



"The installation will be unlike any other in Greece and we can't wait for our guests to experience it this season. Seeing Pia's work first-hand, we know she'll bring the destination and our hotels to life in a new meaningful way. We both have a shared commitment to fostering genuine connections and inspiring a more conscious world, so we couldn't be more thrilled to partner with Pia. There's always a story behind Pia's photographs and in keeping with Kanava's design approach, she will thoughtfully create works that are inspired and thought-provoking. Together, we've organised this installation as a way to bring people together through the power of photography," says Kalia Konstantinidou, vice president and founder of Kanava Hotels & Resorts.

"I have long been inspired by the Kanava lifestyle. The hotels – everything from their locality, design, architecture and marvellous nature enveloping them – make every visit incredibly special and there is no other place my exhibition belongs. My goal is to capture the location, focusing on the environment – sustainability, preservation and tradition – whilst showcasing how the hotels can coexist within the landscape and realising it on camera," comments Pia Riverola.

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The installation will be held at Mystique on the 15th of September until the 15th of October and two of Pia's pieces that showcase Mystique will be available for purchase. The photographer and Kanava Hotels & Resorts have commonly decided to dedicate all of the profits to support the work of the [Cyclades Preservation Fund](#) (CPF), with which the group has already partnered in the past for an environmental educational program on the islands of Santorini and Paros. The CPF was established in October 2017 to bolster sustainable initiatives and promote the preservation of the exceptional beauty and natural value of the Cyclades, empowering the local communities through investment in local environment.

The Kanava Hotels & Resorts story began over 30 years ago and since then, founders Kalia and Antonis Eliopoulos have gained a reputation in Greece for their essence of distinctive hospitality. Together, they have set the benchmark for luxury hospitality in the Cyclades, weaving their passion for sustainability, wellness, epicurean experiences and subtle design.

In addition to this photography collaboration, Kanava Hotels & Resorts has introduced a selection of offerings designed to cater to the evolving needs of discerning travellers as holidays resume this summer. Suite and Villa escapes, ideal for the romance seekers, but also the nearest and dearest, built in response to the uptick in requests for more privatised stays, provide guests with a selection of exclusive benefits designed to offer an even more personalised experience in one of the brand's ethereal hotels.

As guests consider their upcoming travel plans, the hotels want to make the experience as worry-free as possible and are doing everything they can to provide a safe, seamless and ultimately enjoyable experience. Kanava Hotels & Resorts continue to take precautionary measures to ensure both the guests' and hotels' employees wellbeing, as well as offering ultra-flexible booking conditions. The hotels have heightened their already stringent practices around food handling, sanitisation, disinfection and cleaning, plus specific measures based on the guidance of local health authorities and the current situation in Greece.

Each property within the Kanava brand, while they are all tied together through a common underlying concept, have their own golden thread: to offer the epicenter of Greek authenticity for today's sophisticated traveller whilst showcasing their location's rich heritage and storied soulful experiences to create lifetime memories.

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ABOUT KANAVA HOTELS & RESORTS

Kanava Hotels & Resorts is a privately owned Greek company created in 1989 by Antonis Eliopoulos, joined in 2000 by his wife Kalia Konstantinidou. Today, Kalia & Antonis Eliopoulos own and manage successfully three awarded five-star hotels and several luxurious villas in Santorini, as well as one five-star hotel and a villa complex in Paros. Kanava Hotels & Resorts elevates authentic, Greek hospitality through its distinct brands of organic, understated luxury. With a strong sense of location in the most exclusive destinations, each unique property offers a celebration of Greek escape for the experiential traveler. Drawing inspiration from the abundant nature and the pastoral landscapes surrounding the properties, the assembly offers an accommodation experience that seems to decelerate time and fill visitors with a sense of solace and serenity. The brand's core principles of sublime regional architecture and design, holistic wellbeing and the reflection of local culture and meaningful experiences, immerse the explorers into the authentic Cycladic island life and carefree state of mind.

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