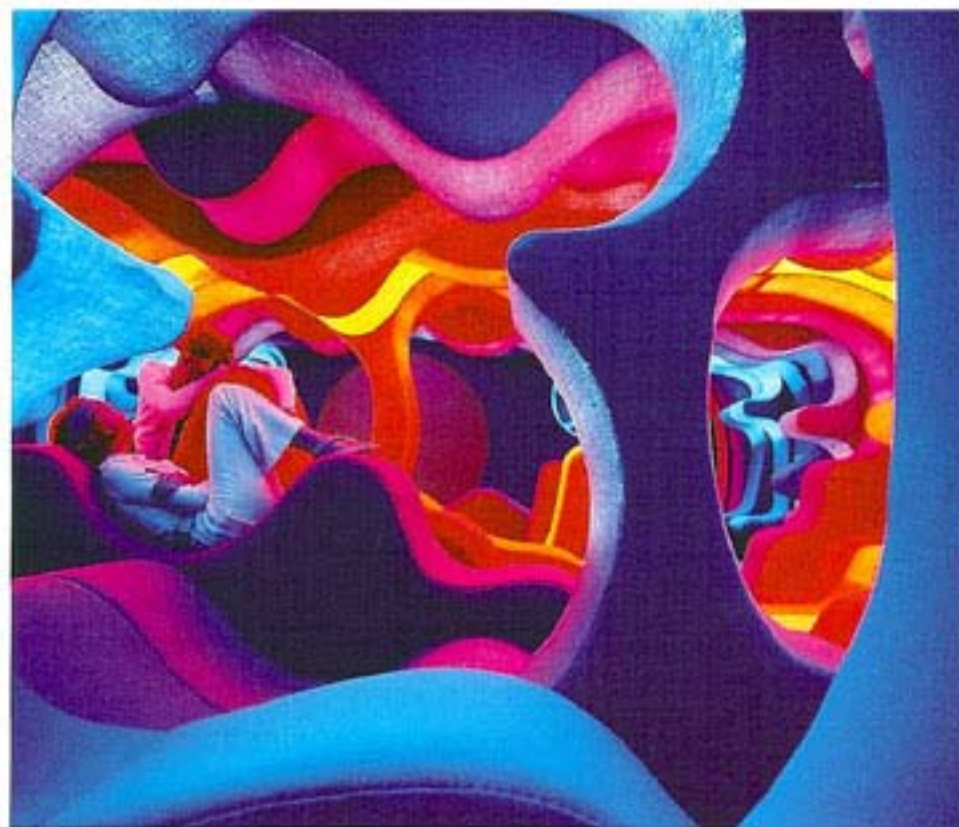


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Mykonos or Santorini? The Greek Cyclades continue to do battle this season. On **MYKONOS**, the 32-room Mykonos Grace (www.mykonosgrace.com) has been recast with searingly modern white interiors and larger accommodation (including two new two-bedroom suites). It's located north of Mykonos town on Agios Stefanos whose white beach beats those on **SANTORINI**, a volcanic isle where you have to make do with black sand. However, Santorini is less about great beaches and all about great food, views and hanging out beside matchless infinity pools. The insider tip – even though it doesn't have a pool – is the three-room 1864 Sea Captain's House (www.santorini-gr.com). The alternative is the all-new, all-glam Hotel Mystique (www.luxurycollection.com) on the cliffs with 18 villas and suites and every luxury trimming. Bang on trend, Hotel Mystique also debuts with three so-called Spiritual Suites featuring a private gym, Jacuzzi, treadmill, bicycle, fitness machine and spa bed, as well as a bedroom and terrace with caldera views.

If poolside lounging isn't your thing, consider chartering a yacht through Greek-born Ileana von Hirsch (www.fivestargreece.com), a broker who also specialises in high-end Greek villas (well, if she's good enough for Madonna...).



*Above: It's psychedelic, man: Vernon Panton's *Phantasy Landscape Vision II* is at the Whitney's "Summer of Love" exhibition. Below: the Mykonos Grace Hotel has had a modern makeover.*



Above: Riva Hotel in Hvar, Croatia. Below: