



CASTEL
FRAGSBURG

ONLY 20 UNIQUE SUITES
NESTLED ON A PRIVATE HILL

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»Mindfulness and respect for other people and nature, appreciating the past, consciously living in the present and being open-minded about the future are the cornerstones of life and work at the Fragsburg.«

Alexander Ortner, owner

Hideaway

SOUL LUXURY FOR GOURMETS, ROMANTICS & WELLNESS LOVERS

On a private hill high above the imperial spa town of Merano – where the sun shines the longest – Castel Fragsburg has been sitting enthroned for nearly 400 years, rooted in rock and soil. And yet the former hunting castle from the 17th century with in total 50,000 sqm seems to sway above the venerable tree tops of the Fragsburg's rocky cliffs.







The Ortner family

In 1954, ownership of the Castel Fragsburg Maternum transferred to the Ortner family. With great subtlety and a flair for the essential things in life, the family succeeded in transporting the vintage building into the present, bit by bit, while also honouring and reviving traditions and having an open-minded view about what was to come. With the purchase of the Castel Fragsburg Paternum, the castle on the mighty clifftop from the 14th century, the Ortner family has reunited the two buildings that originally belonged together. The castle nowadays is used as an eventlocation for weddings and celebrations.





Culinary THE PERFECTION OF SIMPLICITY

"The highest form of art is to ignore what is insignificant." is a quote by the South Tyrolean chef, Egon Heiss. Over the course of his long career as a starred chef, he has travelled all over the world and cooked for politicians, Formula 1 stars, royalty and billionaires. Egon is convinced that "if you have seen and experienced everything, you return to the perfection of simplicity."

Such as the Fragsburg itself the culinary philosophy is deeply rooted in the South Tyrolean traditions and closely linked with an Alpine and Mediterranean sensuality.



Gourmet Restaurant Prezioso



Chef de Cuisine, Egon Heiss



Restaurant Orangerie

In the Gourmet Restaurant Prezioso located in the glass loggia surrounded by a sea of roses and ivy, as well as the gourmet loggia surrounded by wisteria on the wooden terrace, Egon invites to "South Tyrol staged Heiss". Michelin-starred moments of happiness for genuine connoisseurs who appreciate loving, sensual indulgence, are offered.

One sumptuous option is the famous Breakfast Royale offered by the Fragsburg, which was elected by the Vanity Fair magazine as one of the mighty top ten in Italy. The Fragsburg Gourmet Arrangement includes a 5-course candlelit dinner in the Restaurant Orangerie and the delight of sitting on the scenic terrace with a cinematographic view over the sea of lights in the valley and the giant mountains of South Tyrol.

Suites

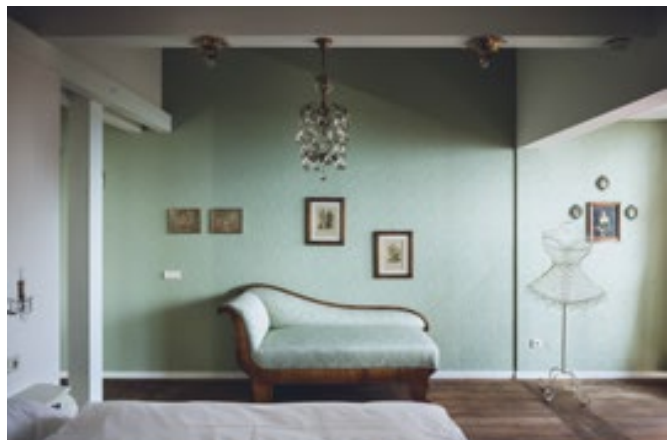
AT EYE LEVEL WITH BIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES



The Fragsburg is an all-embracing composition made with devotion and composed of ancient furniture, Art Nouveau, select designer pieces and a hint of Art Deco. The Ortner family has been gently taking care of the Fragsburg since the 50s with their eye for beauty and passion for the past. The 20 suites of the castle hotel were all carefully furnished with a distinctive feeling for colours, and feature noble materials and an extravagant style, are flooded with light and have one, sometimes even two balconies or a roof terrace.

Every room – be it a Double Room Deluxe, a Junior Suite, a Suite Deluxe, the Adlerhorst Suite or a Suite Royale, is a curated unique piece which will enchant guests thanks to its graceful mix of Alpine-Mediterranean elegance and is furnished with luxurious details, for example a scenic bathtub or infra-red booth which can be found in some suites.

Castel Fragsburg, a place which unites heaven and earth.

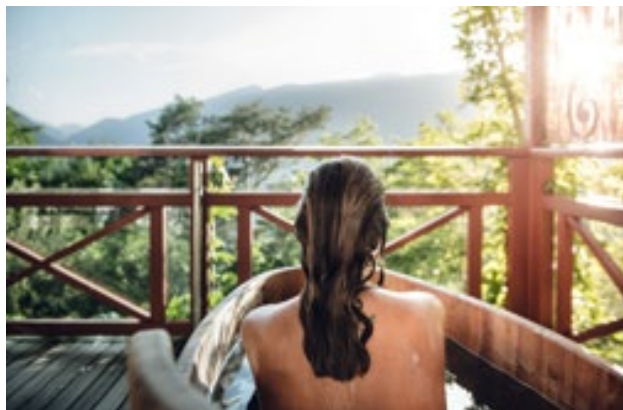


Healing spa

INSPIRED BY THE ANCIENT KNOWLEDGE OF HERBAL MEDICINE

In the 1st Alchemistic Healing Spa Castellum Natura, the first of its kind in the world, the modern alchemist Renate De Mario Gamper, who comes from a South Tyrolean clan of women attuned to nature, personally prepares all care and grooming elixirs from hand selected flowers and herbs. The teacher of healing herbs, incense therapist and nutrition consultant unites the knowledge of cures of her forbears and of the medieval polymath Hildegard von Bingen with the latest insights of science and energy medicine and her unbridled love and reverence for the earth and its gifts.

"In nature we can find all the secrets of healing, wellbeing, and a long, fulfilled life", is the firm conviction of Renate. Inspired by the ancient knowledge of herbal medicine and the almost-forgotten teachings of alchemy, the Healing Spa Castellum Nautra offers harmonising full-body treatments, massages, healing baths and personal beauty treatments.





The Castellum Nautra team spent three years devoting themselves to the development and preparation of effective products made of hand-picked essences. From this, they created a 100% organic cosmetics range, the Fragsburg Beauty Care, exclusively for the hotel guests.

Sustainability

VALUING THE ESSENTIAL

Castel Fragsburg is especially proud of its own Fragsburg Soul Garden. Vegetables, fruits and herbs grow on a 2000 m² large field without the use of any chemicals and the hand-picked ingredients are exclusively harvested for the hotel and restaurant guests. The garden is led by a youth initiative from Merano and in collaboration with Castel Fragsburg they support young people from the region, they give them a purpose and help them to find their calling in life.

For more diversity and authenticity in the gourmet cuisine, Castel Fragsburg works also with producers and farmers from the local area.

The property is supported by a sustainable philosophy. To safeguard this philosophy, the historical walls that give this property its original charm and tell tales of times in the distant past are preserved.

The Ortner family took great care to extend and restore the original hunting lodge. The renovations look like they have always been there. For example, locally grown wood was used in the vintage building when converting the second and third floors back in 2015. Modern technologies also found their way in, enabling to take the next steps towards sustainability. Heat and cosiness, for example, are now guaranteed by large solar panels and a wood pellet heating system, which is fuelled entirely by local resources. The beauty of nature is not just revealed in the garden but is reflected in the beautiful things inside the building, as the flowers that adorn the halls come from the Fragsburg Soul Garden and the surrounding meadows. Equally, the herbs picked in the garden are an important component in the tinctures and ointments in the healing spa. Plastic packaging is just as out of place here as the in in-room amenities such as spa bags and toiletries which are normally found in spa hotel bathrooms.

A place of well-being

A PLACE THAT ENCHANTS AND INSPIRES PEOPLE

Castel Fragsburg is nestled in enchanted castle grounds which stretch out from the boutique retreat for more than 50,000 m², bordering with the highest waterfall in South Tyrol.

Whoever crosses the entrance portal will feel as though they have stepped out of space and time, bursting with inspiration and oddly moved by long forgotten dreams and fairy tales.

Wisterias, roses, jasmines, and hydrangeas are blooming everywhere, and visitors will enter a world composed of sweet scents and colours, soothing birdsong and a peaceful security between the imposing mountains. A winding path made of paving stones starts from the Fragsburg, goes by a hand carved four-poster bed placed under a chestnut, across rose arches, and takes you right to a heated pool with a lookout tower and lounge, sun deck, massage pool and a dreamy lawn for sunbathing located between vineyards and orchards.

Right at the cliff the guests will find the Fragsburg Sanctuary, a treehouse for yoga and personalized rituals. Fitness fans can use the garden gym, located in a cosy arbour in the huge park.



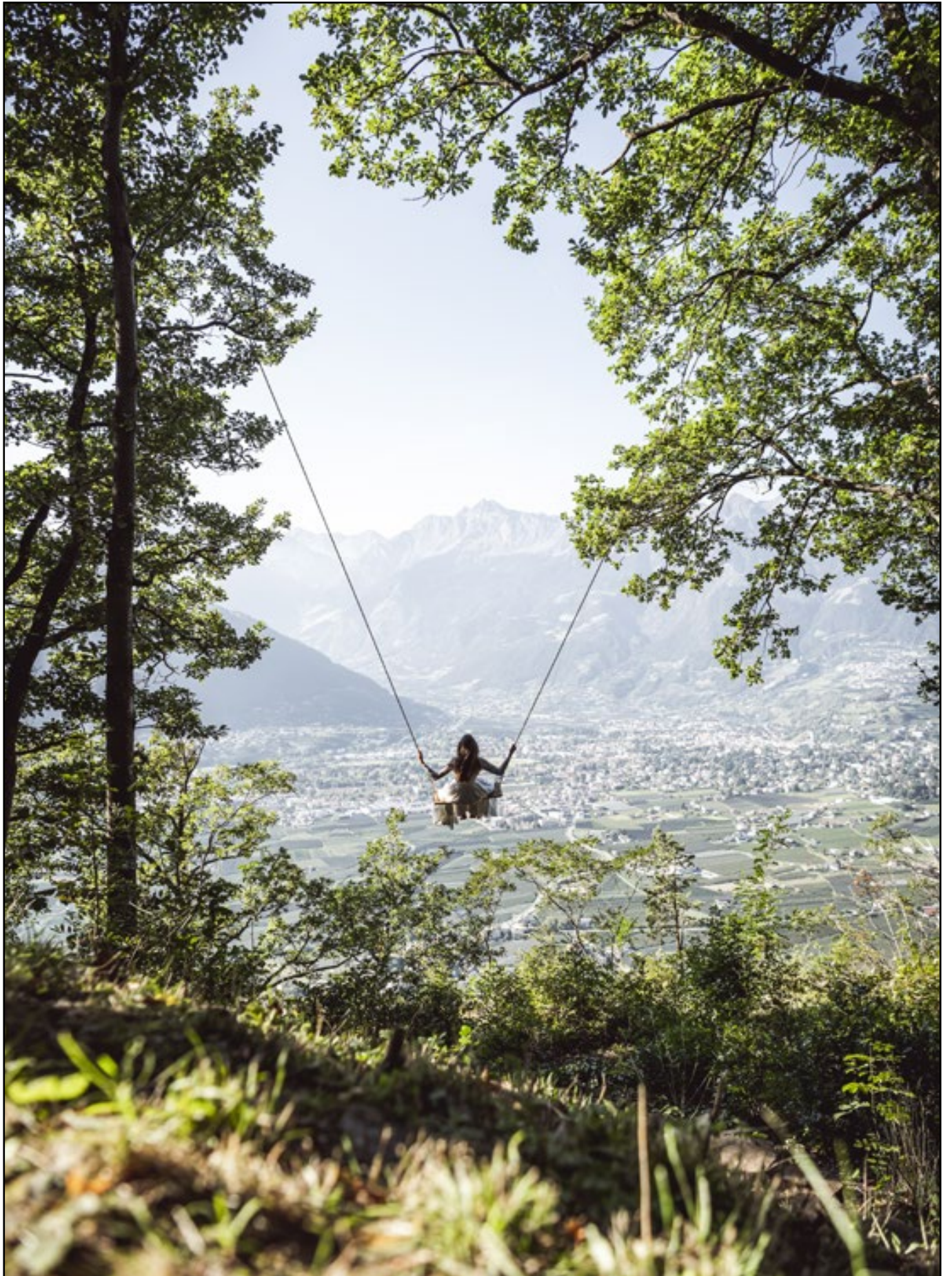
Castle

HISTORICAL WALLS WITH STORIES TO TELL

Castel Fragsburg, the 5-star hotel, was used as a hunting lodge for the lords of the nearby castle on the mighty cliff top from the 14th century, which nowadays is called affectionately Castel Fragsburg Paternum. With the purchase of the castle only a few years ago, the Ortner family has reunited the two buildings that originally belonged together.

The historical castle is the perfect venue for large festivities. Surrounded by a huge garden, the event could begin here with an aperitif against a grandiose backdrop. Celebrate like royalty in the wood-panelled knight's halls with their magnificent chandeliers.





Highlights

BIOPHILIA EXPERIENCE

The modern alchemist Renate De Mario Gamper takes the guests on a magical hike where she shows them how they can harness the power of nature, medicinal herbs, flowers and trees to boost the everyday health and well-being. Furthermore she will reveal the secrets of age-old treatments and alternative medicines made from family recipes.

PICNICS

Experience peaceful, picturesque spots in the countryside, beside the highest waterfall in South Tyrol or in the heart of the courtyard of the Castel Fragsburg Paternum and enjoy the seasonal delicacies from the Fragsburg kitchen.

HELICOPTER TOURS

You can experience the mountains in a number of ways. Some of the guests are climbers and will make the painstaking yet rewarding way up the mountain on their own two feet. But some of them will want to soar higher. So why not open up new perspectives on a helicopter flight. The helicopter will pick the guests up and safely drop them off at the hotel Castel Fragsburg.

AWARDS

Michelin Star for the Gourmet Restaurant Prezioso 2023 Relais & Châteaux Well-Being Trophy 2023 Gault & Millau valuation with 4 red toques and Egon Heiss chef of the year 2024 Tripadvisor Traveller Choice Award 2023 Best of the Best Condé Nast Johansens Award Best Dining Experience 202.

NUMBERS

Area: 50,000 m² Construction time: The Relais & Châteaux Castel Fragsburg was built in 1620 and the own castle beside dates back to the 14th century Owner: Alexander Ortner Number suites: 20 Restaurants: Gourmet Restaurant Prezioso and Restaurant Orangerie Pools: Outdoor swimming pool and whirlpool Healing spa: 4 treatment rooms, relaxation room, finish sauna, herbal bio sauna, turkish steam room, infrared sauna, garden gym, treehouse Sanctuarium Partner: Relais & Châteaux, Virtuoso Eventlocation: Castel Fragsburg Paternum.



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