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HIGH EXPECTATIONS

ASPEN'S MUCH-ANTICIPATED Residences at the Little Nell welcomed its first fractional owners in February. Located across a ski run from the Little Nell hotel, the 26 ski-in/ski-out residences feature interiors by Wilson Associates (the firm responsible for outfitting resorts as diverse as the Inn at Palmetto Bluff and Dubai's Atlantis, The Palm resort), with limestone and dark-timber floors, hand-plastered walls, and copper accents. Some fractional shares remain for sale (pricing starts at \$1.9 million for a one-eighth interest), and the residences and eight hotel rooms will be available for short-term rent. *[Nancy Wong Bryan]*

Residences at the Little Nell, 877.925.7272, www.rlnaspen.com



GRAND OPENINGS

The Malibu Country Mart and Malibu Lumber Yard bring new shopping to the town's center

Malibu Country Mart

For years the Malibu Country Mart, a five-acre outdoor shopping-and-dining complex on Cross Creek Road, has housed the city's most stylish independent boutiques. This summer the center—which continues to draw locals and visitors alike to the area—expands its range of offerings with the opening of several retail stores from such national luxury brands as menswear designer John Varvatos, denim labels Ernest Sewn and 7 For All Mankind, sportswear brand Vince, and footwear-and-accessories label Sigerson Morrison.

Malibu Lumber Yard

Formerly home to a family-owned hardware store, the Malibu Lumber Yard has been transformed into the city's newest shopping mecca. The building, located on the corner of the Pacific Coast Highway and Cross Creek Road, adjacent to the Malibu Country Mart, features 30,000 square feet of retail space that houses such clothing stores as Maxfield, Tory Burch, James Perse, J.Crew, and Theory. The center, which replaced 75 percent of the site's surface with sustainable landscape elements, such as decomposed granite and reduced-water plants, will also contain restaurants, a children's play area, and three salt-water aquarium towers. *[Samantha Brooks]*

SOCIAL SUMMIT

WHEN THE WEATHER WARMS in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, a chef from One Steamboat Place leads a weekly stroll through the MainStreet Farmers Market; afterward, the group heads home with fresh ingredients for its cooking class. The experience, just one of a full roster of events once enjoyed only by One Steamboat Place residents, is now open to members of the Summit Club, a new social membership that allows non-residents to enjoy the community's amenities year-round. In addition to use of the property's ski valets, slopeside clubhouse, spa, fitness facilities, and wine cellar and tasting room, Summit Club members have access to winemaker dinners, private receptions at concerts and art exhibits, wellness workshops, and fly-fishing and fly-casting clinics on the area's rivers. Summit Club membership costs \$65,000 and is limited to 100. *[N.W.B.]*

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