

TEST-DRIVING THE 207-MPH FLYING SPUR SPEED ON THE ULTIMATE BENTLEY ROAD TRIP

We took the clear contender for world's fastest four-door on a gentlemanly route to the Blue Ridge Mountains.

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Courtesy Keswick Hall

Continuing on the next day, we traveled to <u>Keswick Hall</u>, which recently celebrated its 110th anniversary with a multimillion-dollar revamp. The elegant property, which has the feel of a private country estate, is located next to the home of the storied Keswick Hunt Club, where accomplished riders and gentlemen still practice the aristocratic sport in season.



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With a championship golf course, multiple fireplaces, a library, beautiful marble-topped bar, and a dual-level infinity pool, among other luxe touches, it was a fitting place for the Flying Spur, which perfectly matched the air of sportsmanlike gentility pervading the place. And most appealing of all is the addition to the property of Marigold, the brand new restaurant from superstar chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten, which looks like it was transplanted from Napa Valley.



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Jean-Georges has long been one of our favorite culinary masters, with his "simple to spectacular" ethos never failing to please in his restaurants from Soho to St Barths. <u>Marigold</u> mixes an elevated farm-to-table approach with masterful restaurant design, from the wood and stone exterior to the fieldstone fireplaces, wood-paneled ceiling, marble floors and insanely Instagrammable bar.



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This place is bound to put Virginia on every true gourmet's map, and the Michelin Guide can't be far behind. The design is a "comfortable textural rustic chic'," with a visually arresting mix of wood and stone, a massive stone fireplace and hand-wrought lighting fixtures from L'Observatoire International.