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## GRAND HOTEL TREMEZZO LAKE COMO, ITALY

You come here for the lake, of course – lined with the neoclassical villas of celebrities and framed by spectacular mountains that turn candyfloss-pink at sunset. But the Tremezzo is why guests come back year after year. It's super-chic and super-classy but with a jaunty spring in its step (they'd probably call it *gioia di vivere*): splashes of signature orange everywhere; button-backed sofas upholstered in the colours of Ladurée macaroons; unfailingly, genuinely charming staff of the sort you only find in a family-owned hotel. And Clooney, Clooney, Clooney – the darned man is everywhere. Hanging out in the hotel bar (kickass negronis), joshing with the staff on the beach, thundering past on his Harley. Honestly, we were sick of the sight of him. Bed down in one of the rooftop suites, which have a jacuzzi on the terrace, a wall-to-wall marble bathroom, the silkiest sheets and That View. But you must tear yourself away and don your biggest sunglasses to take to the water in the hotel's 1961 Venetian motor launch. Diego, the delightful captain, will tell you who stays where. Then drop by the hotel's floating swimming pool on the lake, or the private sandy lido and bar. Too chilly? Head to the Piscina dei Fiori, pictured, in the gardens. And for the attention-seekers, there's always the lake. >



