



HÔTEL MASSÉ

32 bis, rue Victor Massé, 9th

Metro Pigalle

40 rooms and suites

€220 to €500

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4,095 mi



PIGALLE HAVEN

Delightful Parisian duo Corto and Éole Peyron had the brilliant idea of transforming a tired old two-star hotel into a haven for travellers who value discretion.

Their fairly small establishment on Rue Victor Massé, with its soulless bars and new cabarets, cultivates the delicate art of unostentatious chic. The Peyrons bought not only the hotel, but also the former hostess bar next door, at no. 30, now a wine bar open from 5pm to “sixty minutes after midnight”. Behind a black door that opens onto a heavy, beige curtain, design duo Gasparetti Parenti (ex-Festen), for whom this is their first independent project, have created a minimalist version of Pigalle’s trademark nightlife. Little references to the area include erotic tiles by Eloïse Rival, dotted unobtrusively around each bathroom. Staff uniforms are by Studio de Lostange, while the bespoke joinery is by cabinet-maker



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while the bespoke joinery is by cabinet-maker Alexis Mazin, with artworks by Sophie Esteve, Eduardo Lalanne and Galatée Martin.

The delightful, modestly sized guest rooms offer a mix of raw woodwork, fitted carpets, wainscotting, okoumé and maritime pine, with bathrooms as diaphanously lovely as the camelia-scented Typology products they contain. Connoisseurs will remember room no. 62, under the eaves, with its bathtub facing a vista of rooftops, an exceptional belvedere on the nightlife of the 9th arrondissement.