

▼ Prosper Assouline, co-founder and creative director of Paris-based publishing house Assouline, has introduced a new concept to Boston. Turning his attention to interiors, Assouline has designed the **Assouline Culture Lounge**, a high-end private library located inside Back Bay's striking, luxurious condominium residences, the Clarendon.

Visit www.theclarendon.com and www.assouline.com



◀ Calling all chocoholics! UK-based **Hotel Chocolat**, with its endless selection of chocolates organized by taste (nutty, fruity, salty) is more like a luxurious kingdom of sweets than a run-of-the-mill candy store.

141A Newbury St., tel. 1.617.391.0513,

www.hotelchocolat.com



▲ Bostonians swear by the **Rowes Wharf Sea Grille**, a gourmet seafood restaurant located right along the waterfront. Chef Daniel Bruce serves upscale, sea-inspired fare like grilled monk fish osso bucco in a bouillabaisse broth and caramelized jumbo sea scallops.

Boston Harbor hotel, 70 Rowes Wharf, tel.

1.617.856.7744, roweswharfseagrille.com



◀ Boston got a stylish new property with the opening of the **Ames hotel** near Faneuil Hall and Beacon Hill. Housed inside the historic Ames building, with interiors designed by the Rockwell Group, the 114-room hotel is also home to chef Mark Goldberg's fabulous Woodward restaurant.

1 Court St., tel. 1.617.979.8120, www.ameshotel.com



► At **Basiques**, Sheri Falk's trendy clothing boutique, shoppers will find the perfect white shirt as well as an assortment of wardrobe basics that combine function and femininity.

172 Newbury St., tel. 1.817.445.0144, basiques.com



▲ At Boston's luxurious **Exhale day spa**, guests can unplug by enjoying a selection of spa therapies, core classes, yoga classes and healing treatments. Amenities include a lobby lounge retail area, a manicure and pedicure bar and a temple-like yoga studio.

28 Arlington St., tel. 1.617.532.7000,

www.exhalespa.com