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With its snug, tucked-away bars and secret swimming pools, hot-tub grottoes and multi-storey sun terraces, Kensho feels like one of Escher's impossible fantasies lavishly realised as a boutique hotel, each surprise staircase leading to another unexpected delight. It is owner George Nikitidis's first hotel and he's picked a great spot up the hill from Ornos beach: close enough to walk to, but far away enough not to hear the bass from its beach clubs. The design is slick and contemporary, with lots of sliding glass doors, white walls and adult-sized wicker bassinets by the pool. Each room is subtly individual; some have freestanding baths, others plunge pools on the terrace, and all have a different signature piece by first-rank Italian furniture-makers such as Riva 1920, Baxter and Mogg. The open-sided restaurant is heavy on attention-grabbing touches – vast metal light shades, plate-glass tables – which keep pace with chef George Stylianoudakis's high-concept food, including dishes such as red mullet with artichoke. The body-beautiful crowd lounge decorously around the pool, or in the spa, with its low-lit treatment rooms where therapists practise reiki. +30 228 902 9001; kenshomykonos.com. *Doubles from about £525*

