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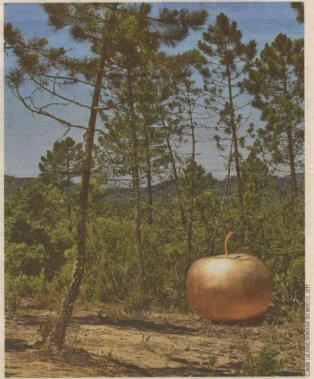
Old and new, in formal gardens, lush countryside or untamed wilderness, sculpture parks dedicated to modern and contemporary art are now found around the globe, displaying monumental works in harmony-or in eyeopening dissonance—with the natural beauty of their surroundings. Here are five to put on your wish list. -Judy Fayard



ART WALK Mark di Suvero's 'Mozart's Birthday' (1989), left, and 'Frog Legs' (2002) at Storm King

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Covering 200 hectares in the Hudson River Valley, 97 kilometers north of Manhattan, Storm King was founded in 1960 by local businessmen Ralph E. Ogden and H. Peter Stern and now houses 100-plus sculptures dating from post-World War II to present day, Landscaping is key here: A number of the works are site-specific others are precisely placed in sites tailored for them. There are also earthworks, for which landscaping is the artists medium, including Maya Lins sumptuous, 45-hectare "Storm King Wavefield" (2009). a joyously undulating seven-row see a of grass. Visit on foot, by tram or bike (rentals from \$8 an hour) to take in works by artists including Louise Bourgeois, Mark di Suvero, Barbara Hepvoorth, Sol LeWitt, Alexander Liberman, Henry Moore, Rey Lichtenstein, Louise Nevelson, Isamu Noquch Nam June Paik and Beverly Pepper \$15, open Wed-Sun, hours vary from 10 a.m.-8 p.m., April-November; Old Pleosant Hill Road, Mountainville: stormking.org



AN APPLE A DAY Claude Lalan's 'Pomme de New York' (2006) at Domaine du Muy

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Officially opened this week this new sculpture park was created by Jean-Gabriel Mitterrand (nephew of the former French president), whose Paris gallery has focused on sculpture since its founding in 1988. Near the town of Le Muy, north of St. Tropez, the B-hectare private park offers a rugged, 16-kilometer-long trail through pine trees, cork oaks and herb-scented shrubs, dotted with almost 40 sculptures, some site-specific. The opening exhibition, assembled by artistic director Edward Mitterrand and curator Simon Lamunière, includes works by John Armieder, Antony Gormley, Subodh Gupta, Keith Haring, Carsten Höller, Yayoi Kusama, Claude and François-Xavier Lalanne, Arik Levy and Sol LeWitt. A house, redesigned by architect India Mahdavi, and gardens by celebrated landscape architect Louis Benech are set to open on the ground next year. By appointment only May-October, 83490 Le Muy; domainedumuy.com

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