

1 million pilgrims set for mosque in Senegal

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Senegal: More than a million pilgrims are expected this week at the Grand Mosque of Touba, home to the tomb of Sheikh Amadou Bamba. The founder of a Sufi Muslim order, and twice exiled by the French, Bamba began work on the mosque a year before his death in 1927; it was completed in 1963.

New museum

Miami: The designers of San Francisco's de Young Museum also created the \$131 million Perez Art Museum Miami, which opened Dec. 4 in a waterfront park. Besides new collections of modern and contemporary works, the former Miami Art Museum boasts bay views, a wrap-around veranda and gardens. www.pamm.org.

New hotel

Nicaragua: Little Corn Island, 50 miles east of the mainland, now has lodgings for folks who'd rather not rough it (although motorized vehicles are still banned). Yemaya Island Hideaway & Spa offers 16 "eco-luxury" oceanfront cabanas; rates for two from \$300, breakfast included. www.yemayaretreat.com.

New tour

Italy: Test-drive a Ferrari F430 Coupe on a 10-minute circuit, visit one of two Ferrari museums and enjoy a guided gourmet tour in "Motor Valley," the Bologna region, on the new, four-day Drive the Dream Italia package from Perillo Tours; rates from \$1,380 per person. www.italyvacations.com.

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