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**A**L JADDAF ROTANA SUITE HOTEL, a visionary project by WA International, draws inspiration from the natural splendour of the nearby Ras Al Khor Wildlife Sanctuary in Dubai. The property is located less than 4 kilometres from this unique wetland reserve, which became the inspiration and narrative for the hotel.

The owner's wish for generously oversized suites, ranging from 60m<sup>2</sup> to 232m<sup>2</sup>, reflects a commitment to providing spacious luxury in Dubai's competitive high-end market. WA International's design director Claire Craig explains: "Throughout the hotel our references to the magnificent nearby mangroves with their tangled roots and rich colours can be found in our interior architectural patterns and finishes. Our custom designed screens, furniture pieces and lighting all reflect the organic nature of the stunning Ras Al Khor Wildlife Sanctuary." For

the hotel's 'All Day Dining' Claire adds, "Our client's vision for the restaurant was not only to cater to the morning breakfast ritual but become a destination venue in the evening; the food concept was high-end Italian. In contrast to the rest of the hotel's narrative we decided to create a unique classic Italian dining room. The floors are polished marble and oversized Italianate crystal chandeliers are suspended from the double height spaces." For the apartments, Claire further explains, "In the studio and one-bedroom apartments, headboards feature hand embroidered scenes of the mangroves. Carpets are designed with leafy patterns. In the living rooms, organic plaster reliefs embellish the ceilings." All of which contribute to the curated luxury evident throughout the Rotana Suite property, making it a stand-out destination in Dubai's hospitality landscape.



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