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

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B2's parent company **Aqua Spa Resort Group** also developed a new spa designed by Swiss firm **Mario Botta Architetto** that opened in July. Called the **Mineralbad & Spa Rigi Kaltbad**, it is located 5,000 feet up Mount Rigi near Lucerne, Switzerland, where spa going is a 600-year tradition.

Project: **Mineralbad & Spa Rigi Kaltbad**
Location: Mount Rigi near Lucerne, Switzerland
Architecture: **Mario Botta Architetto**
Opened: July 2012

Botta's take on communal bathing is minimalist to the extreme. Walls of pale stone surround the indoor pool, which is topped by eight 10-foot-tall skylights that mimic rock crystals and allow sunlight to play on the water. The exterior pool and terrace, backed by a linear stone grid, offers views of the Alps. The water is from the Three Sister's Spring and is heated to 95 degrees by a boiler fueled by logs cut from Mount Rigi's forests.

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