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## Fur, Karl Lagerfeld, Accor and pickup trucks – News briefs

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*Gucci cruise 2018 look. The brand has become the latest to give up fur. Image credit: Gucci*

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Mantra Group Ltd on Thursday agreed to a A\$1.18 billion (701.45 million pounds) buyout from French hotel company Accor SA, a deal which will create the biggest hotel group in Australia where tourism is rising sharply, according to The New York Times.

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