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Private Collection Goes Big and Bold in Sculpture Park Near St Tropez

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Arik Levy *RockStone 198* (2015)

If you are passing through Var in the South of France this summer then make a stop at the new contemporary sculpture park, Domaine Du Muy, aimed at collectors and lovers of sculpture which opens July 13.

Run by Paris-based [Galerie Mitterrand](#), the sculpture park includes works by Carsten Höller, [Yayoi Kusama](#), Anthony Gormely, and [Sol LeWitt](#), with many hailing from the private collection of Pierre Lorinet, the chief financial officer of Trafigura, one of the world's largest commodities trading houses.

According to the [Financial Times](#), Lorinet is to leave his post at Trafigura in September to pursue "other interests," one of which will be art, and the launch of the Domaine Du Muy sculpture park could be the first step in the new direction.

Located one hour from St Tropez, the park has around 25 acres of land which will act as an open air gallery to some 30 sculptures, a mixture of existing works and new commissions, such as Tomás Saraceno's *Cloud Cities*, a 5 meter-long sculpture of interconnected polyhedrons.

The opening installation is curated by Swiss curator Simon Lamuniere, on the theme of art and nature.

"Sculptors today gravitate toward gigantism," said Mr. Mitterrand of the project when speaking to the *New York Times* last year. "Galleries must adapt, if they want to preserve their relationship with the artists."