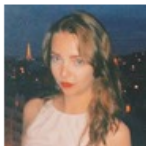


9 luxury spots around the world to celebrate New Year's Eve in style



New Year's Eve at Burj Al Arab in Dubai

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If your resolution for 2016 is to live more extravagantly, you can get started on Dec. 31.

[New Year's Eve](#) is one of the most extravagant days of the year, with millions of people around the world indulging in excess. But if you're looking to truly embody the spirit of the season (re: over-the-top), take a tip from the 1%.

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This year, sing a round of Auld Lang Syne, drop thousands of dollars on a single meal and wave goodbye to 2015 at these nine elite celebrations around the world.

New York, New York: The Knickerbocker



IMAGE: PRNEWSFOTO / THE KNICKERBOCKER HOTEL

This year, well-heeled New Yorkers can get the best view of the Times Square ball drop that money can buy, while avoiding the throngs of people in the streets.

The historic hotel [re-opened earlier this year](#): Its location directly across from the ball makes the roof an amazing place to ring in 2016.

Booking a room for [New Year's Eve at The Knickerbocker](#) includes access to the rooftop New Year's Eve gala and a New Year's Day brunch the following morning. Packages start at \$2,890.

Chicago, Illinois: The Drake

The Drake has a reputation as [one of the best](#) New Year's Eve parties in the United States.

The party starts with a \$195 black tie dinner that includes oysters, sushi, foie gras and steak. A VIP table at the party in the grand ballroom runs [\\$1,750](#).

London, England; Milestone Hotel

For a low-key New Year's, partygoers can book a suite at the [Milestone](#) and head downstairs for an elaborate \$280 seven-course meal.

For about \$2,200 a night, guests can book a suite overlooking Kensington Palace and Gardens for a perfect view of the midnight fireworks to kick off 2016.

Paris, France: Le Cinq

If you want to ring in the new year in style, go all out with a [\\$1,300 dinner](#) at The Four Seasons' George V restaurant.

Booking the penthouse suite for the night will cost about \$30,000, but you'll have the best views over the Champs-Élysées and Seine to the midnight fireworks over the Eiffel Tower.

Barcelona, Spain: Hotel Arts



IMAGE: HOTEL ARTS BARCELONA

Hotel Arts in Barcelona is offering guests the chance celebrate New Year's like James Bond.

The [007-inspired gala dinner](#) includes oysters, truffles, sashimi, burrata and just about every other fancy food you can imagine. After the dinner, guests can spend their first night of 2016 in a luxe one-bedroom apartment for \$2,700.

And don't worry about a hangover: an American Breakfast and late 2 p.m. checkout are included on Jan. 1.

Dubai, United Arab Emirates: Burj Al Arab Jumeirah

The Burj Al Arab — one of the most expensive hotels in one of the world's most elite cities — goes all out for New Year's.

Ending 2015 at the hotel starts with a \$1,200 gala dinner — the invite urges guests to "dress to impress" — which offers attendees the closest views of the [longest firework display in the UAE](#), live entertainment and unlimited alcohol.

Once 2016 hits, guests can retire to the [\\$15,000 a night](#) Royal Suite.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: Belmond Copacabana Palace

Rio's second biggest party after carnival is Réveillon on Dec. 31.

Every year, thousands crowd onto Copacabana Beach to watch the fireworks display. But for \$1,430, the well-to-do can avoid the crowds at a party on the balcony of the [Copacabana Palace](#), with a buffet and live entertainment.

Bali, Indonesia: Potato Head Beach Club



IMAGE: POTATO HEAD BEACH CLUB

If partying hard into 2016 is more your style, head to [Potato Head Beach Club](#) in Bali for DJs and cocktails that will last well into the new year.

Access to the VIP lounge runs a cool [\\$253,000](#) and includes drinks and canapés throughout the night.

Luxury on the go: A private jet

Jump on a private jet and celebrate two NYEs in one single night. Start your night in Sydney for the first celebration, then party on the plane for 12 hours and touch down in Los Angeles with hours to spare until your second midnight.

"This is the ultimate in luxury ways to see in 2015, in two of the world's most exciting party cities," said Carol Cork marketing director of PrivateFly. "The flight time from Sydney to LA in a Gulfstream G650 is now just under 11 hours, so with the 19-hour time difference, you can gain eight hours of party time by flying eastwards."

If you rent from [PrivateFly](#), the 24-hour party for you and 17 friends will cost about \$200,000.