

8 High-Design Hotels New Yorkers Love

When traveling to New York City, stay in one of these chic homes away from home

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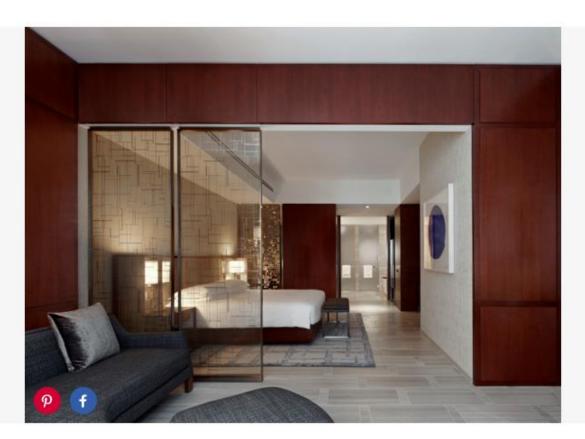






In recent years, New York has unveiled a series of hotels that reflect a prevailing hospitality trend: They're designed to look and feel like home. Sources of inspiration range from an opulent Upper East Side residence to a minimalist pied-à-terre to the alluring Parisian hôtel particulier. Whether these new ventures are pared down or richly appointed, the dominance of the resplendent grande dame hotels is on the wane.

Shown: Baccarat Hotel and Residences The first hospitality project of France's beloved house of fine crystal, this hotel was designed by French firm Gilles and Boissier. The lobby is decorated with custom-crafted furniture (many pieces feature Baccarat crystal elements) set against a neutral palette of Champagnes, creams, and chocolate browns. But the focus is on the elaborate crystal behemoths—there are 17 in the hotel's public spaces—that hang from the lofty, 35-foot ceilings. The 114 rooms also have Baccarat sconces and chandeliers. From \$899/night baccarat.com



Park Hyatt New York Local firm Yabu Pushelberg blended uptown refinement with downtown edge for this hotel, located right across from Carnegie Hall on 57th Street, one of New York's busiest—and chicest—thoroughfares. Plush contemporary furniture and intricate geometric divider screens are recurring motifs throughout, from the third-floor lobby to the 210 rooms and suites. From \$795 /night newyork.park.hyatt.com

Photo: Courtesy of the Park Hyatt



Marmara Park Avenue For its second U.S. foray, Turkish hospitality brand Marmara tapped artisans from the five boroughs. Under the leadership of artist-designer Joe Ginsberg, the team created a 128-room hotel that feels like a classic New York pied-à-terre. Located in a 1927 building on Park Avenue, the hotel features bespoke elements such as a handblown glass vases and an entry gate made of 670 faceted steel pieces. From \$500/night park.marmaranyc.com

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Langham Place New York Originally built as the Setai and renamed in 2013, Langham Place just launched its brand-new lobby. Designed by Meyer Davis Studio, the revamped space features original artwork, including two oil paintings by living New York legend Alex Katz, as well as a cozy lounge with a striking two-way fireplace. Additional renovations to the spa, guest rooms, and corridors are under way. From \$495/night langhamhotels.com

Photo: Courtesy of Langham Place



The Ludlow Hotel Located on the buzzing Lower East Side, this boutique hotel was designed by hoteliers Sean MacPherson, Ira Drukier, and Richard Born. The hotel features 175 spacious guest rooms—a rarity in cramped downtown real estate—with exposed beams, dark hardwood floors, and handmade silk rugs. The oak-paneled lobby includes a lounge complete with a grand limestone fireplace and a secret garden. From \$295/night ludlowhotel.com

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The Knickerbocker Hotel The only luxury hotel located at the edge of Times Square, this icon underwent a \$250 million renovation at the hands of interior design firm Gabellini Sheppard just last year. Along with 326 refreshed rooms and suites, there are four brand-new Tribute suites, each named for a pivotal part of the hotel's—and New York's—history. One piece of hotel lore holds that the martini was invented here by bartender Martini di Arma di Taggia, so the design team created a sleek, bespoke suite (shown) lined in ash gray as an homage to the drink. From \$500/night theknickerbocker.com

Photo: Courtesy of the Knickerbocker Hotel





The Viceroy New York Central Park One of the only New York hotels designed by a single firm for both architecture and interiors, this 57th Street property was conceived by AD100 firm Roman and Williams. The lobby features Paonazzo marble, used widely in New York's buildings from the turn of the 20th century, and is anchored by a massive Thomas Hart Benton-inspired mural. Taking cues from luxury airplane and ocean liner cabins, the hotel's 240 tambor-paneled rooms and suites maximize space with built-in end tables, bars, and headboards. From \$239/night viceroyhotelsandresorts.com

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