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## The 38 Essential New York City Hotels

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Welcome to the first-ever edition of Curbed's **Hotel 38 map**, your answer to the question, "Where should I stay in New York City?" We've combined reader and expert recommendations to compile the following list of NYC's most essential hotels. They range from the new and trendy (Williamsburg's Wythe Hotel) to the older and more architecturally classic (The Classic), from the affordable (The Larchmont) to the affordable if you're famous (The Crosby Street Hotel). We've only included hotels that have been open for more than a year—newer establishments will have their moment to shine later in the week.

We'll be updating the map several times a year to account for changes in the hotel world. If you have a favorite that wasn't included, please mention it in the comments or tip us for next time.





Gramercy Park Hotel

An incredible roster of famous people have swept through the Gramercy Park Hotel, which opened in 1925. Humphrey Bogart got married on the rooftop terrace! The Rolling Stones and U2 are among the many musicians who've stayed there. These days, with art collector Aby Rosen at the helm, the hotel's look is artsy and includes pieces by Damien Hirst, Keith Haring, and Andy Warhol. Julian Schnabel redesigned the hotel (which also has Gramercy Park views, as the name suggests) seven years ago. The Danny Meyer restaurant Maialino is located in the hotel.

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The Hudson Hotel

One Curbed commenter describes the rooms at The Hudson as "tiny but impeccable" and the lobby as a "Manhattan marvel." The entrance is designed to be eye-catching, with a 30-foot glass tunnel enclosing the elevator up to the lobby.

365 W 58th Street, New York City, New York, NY 10019



The Mark Hotel

Like The Plaza, luxury Upper East Side hotel The Mark has been renovated and partially converted to condos. (The original building dates to 1927, putting it among the classic Upper East Side hotels.) The renovated rooms were designed by Jacques Grange. Nightly rates are steep, but there are usually suite and family packages available.

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