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Top 10 Luxury Hotels

6 Carlton



Over a century ago, the luxury Carlton hotel transformed the neighborhood into one of Manhattan's most desirable areas. Originally opened as Hotel Seville in 1904 - just before the opening of the New York City subway - this historic hotel helped to transform the area into one of New York City's most elegant destinations. Originally designed in the Beaux-Arts style by Harry Allen Jacobs, the hotel was later majorly redesigned and refurbished by David Rockwell in a multi-million dollar transformation effort, and now surprises its guests with the seamless integration of old-world charm and modern urban extravagance. The guest rooms feature traditional materials with a modern twist. Unusual tall leather headboards, dark walnut wood, distressed mirrored furnishings and polished nickel create a unique eclectic look, which sets Carlton apart from other luxury hotels in New York City. The hotel features 317 guest rooms and suites and a vintage bar that hosted stars such as Frank Sinatra back in 1912. And if this doesn't pique your curiosity, dig this: during the reconstruction, the hotel staff rediscovered a Tiffany-style glass skylight on the Mezzanine Level, long hidden by layers of paint used to deter air raids during World War II.