

HOT LIST

## The Best New Hotels in the World: 2023 Hot List

*The best openings of the past year, from sprawling eco resorts to design-focused boutique options.*

Nothing makes us more excited to get up and go than putting together our annual [Hot List](#) of the world's best new hotels, cruises, restaurants, cultural destinations, and transportation projects. Now in its 27th year, this curated collection is a labor of love for our global team, which spends the year researching, visiting, and vetting the entries to bring you a definitive directory of places whose style, ethos, and service set new standards for hospitality. This year's hotel winners span every continent—with an Antarctica property appearing for the first time—and fill every need, from sprawling eco resorts to design-focused boutique options. All that's left is for you to decide where you're going first. Here, the best new hotels in the world.



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## Hotel Chelsea — New York →

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Hotel Chelsea may not be filled with famous musicians anymore, but the rock-and-roll vibe remains. Long-term residents who have been grandfathered into their apartments in the building still float around, and most guests—usually drawn by the hotel’s history—have a knowingness to them, whether they’re in their 30s or 60s. The 158 guest rooms and suites have wood floors with the Hotel Chelsea monogram now inlaid; the sun dapples through ivory eyelet fabric on the windows; and the bathrooms are classically done with light and dark grey marble accentuated by bronze details. Animal-print chairs maintain a bit of spunk in the now bright, airy rooms, as do ornate dark wood bedside tables. Massive closets, their interiors a riot of wallpaper, make it even easier to imagine unpacking and sticking around for a while. If you visited the Chelsea back in the day, you’ll recognize the original fireplaces, stained glass windows, and those iconic wrought-iron balconies leaning over West 23rd Street, which have been restored. *Rooms from \$199. —Megan Spurrell*