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Hotel Parties: The Hottest Spots at NYC Hotels

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Though independent restaurants and nightclubs certainly thrive in New York City, it's safe to say it's the Big Apple's hottest hotels that dictate nightlife trends. Master hoteliers have combined the best in lush accommodations, terrific dining and exclusive nightlife venues in the hot hotels listed below. Come for the exclusive rooftop, pool and lounge parties, indulge in four-star dining at restaurants down below and curl into the city's most luxurious accommodations when you've had enough for the evening. Eat, sleep, drink and play in these all-inclusive NYC hot spots.

Standard Hotel

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848 Washington Street, between 12th and 13th Streets

212.645.4646

www.standardhotels.com/new-york-city

Perhaps the biggest hotelier and party boy in the city, Andre Balasz has outdone himself with the Standard which houses the two most exclusive nightlife venues in the city: Le Bain and Boom Boom Room, favorites amongst celebrities and socialites alike. Come early and look luxe to get past these velvet ropes. The line is worth waiting in: the two clubs boast incredible views of the city and Le Bain offers a rooftop pool and hot tub—and a bikini vending machine should you forget your swim gear. Fuel up before at the buzzing Standard Grill downstairs.

Mondrian Soho

9 Crosby Street, between Howard and Grand Streets

212.389.1000

www.mondriansoho.com

Clandestine speakeasy Mister H is protected by the city's most notorious doorman, Disco. Make it past him and enjoy the evening dancing to eclectic jams in a brothel-themed venue by legendary club owner Armin Amiri. Before dancing up a storm, check out Food Network all-star Sam Talbot's new Imperial No. 9 for exotic small plates.

Gansevoort Hotels

Meatpacking District

18 Ninth Avenue between 12th and 13th Street

212.206.6700

www.hotelgansevoort.com

Park Avenue

420 Park Avenue South at 29th Street

212.317.2900

www.gansevoortpark.com

Despite how many new spots open in NYC's jam-packed Meatpacking neighborhood, the line for the Gansevoort Hotel's rooftop pool club Plunge always wraps around the block. The second-highest rooftop in the neighborhood (Standard takes the cake), Plunge boasts several outdoor bars and a rooftop pool. Fuel up downstairs at Tanuki Tavern or Carte Blanche or book a post-party massage at Renew Spa. The newest Gansevoort hotel on Park Avenue is a bit less European and a whole lot more Park Avenue than its Meatpacking District sibling. Italian fine dining Asellina downstairs is the perfect place for an outdoor cocktail before heading up to the rooftop pool for Sunday's Vitamin Water Summer Series concerts that feature top DJs like Paul Oakenfold.

Trump Soho

246 Spring Street at Varick Street

212.842.5500

www.trumpsohohotel.com



Though “The Trump” himself may represent all things classically luxurious and thoroughly ostentatious, his Trump Soho location screams sleek, modern and minimal. Home to Quattro, some of the best Italian food outside Little Italy, Trump Soho also houses the chic underground lounge Kastel and rooftop pool bar Bar d’Eau, with bocce ball and mixology cocktails.

Mercer Hotel

147 1/2 Mercer Street, at Prince Street

212.966.6060

www.mercerhotel.com

One of the city’s original boutique hotels, Mercer Hotel anchors once of the chicest corners in Soho. With dark cavernous Mercer Kitchen by Jean-Georges Vongerichten in the hotel’s basement and secret elevator subMERCER next door, the hotel remains one of the city’s coolest stays.

Gramercy Park Hotel

2 Lexington Avenue at 21st Street

212.920.3300

www.gramercyparkhotel.com

Gramercy Park Hotel boasts some of the biggest names in the industry with interior design by Ian Schrager, ownership by Julian Schnabel, restaurant Maialino by Danny Meyer and hotel bars Rose Bar and Jane Bar by Nur Khan. With its sumptuous dark lobby bars downstairs and twinkle light rooftop bar, GPH has something for everyone—as long as they have a discerning palate.

James Hotel

15 Thompson Street at Grand Street

212.201.9118

www.jameshotel.com

This green eco-friendly hotel is one of the newest editions to downtown SoHo. Housing David Burke's newest venture David Burke Kitchen and outdoor cocktail spot The Treehouse, the hotel focuses on all things new, inventive and sustainable from the hotel's interior to the food served in its restaurants. After dinner, head up to The Jimmy, a glamorous cocktail lounge with 360 degree views of the city.