

Four Seasons Hotel George V Paris

aris has always been known for its luxurious hotels, and the Four Seasons Hotel George V Paris (www.fourseasons.com/paris) stands out as one of its finest. Located just off the Champs-Elysées, the 245-room property offers breathtaking views from private terraces.

Enhancing the French capital's reputation for fine cuisine, the Four Seasons Hotel George V Paris sports one of the finest restaurants in the city, Le Cinq. Executive Chef Philippe Legendre creates menus that draw upon classic French culinary techniques while embracing newer, lighter cooking styles. The only obstacle to enjoying this outstanding culinary experience might be getting a reservation, so be sure to book a table at least one month in advance.

Don't miss being pampered like a king at the hotel's spa, which is dressed in restful, muted colors and decorated with 18th-century prints. The spa is complete with private treatment rooms, a comprehensive menu of skin and body treatments and therapies, saunas, whirlpools, and a pool surrounded by trompe l'oeil gardens. The spa also features a private VIP room with a whirlpool, sauna, steam bath, and two massage beds, as well as a relaxation room with three lounge chairs and private music stations.

While staying at the property, you'll be under the watchful care of Regional Vice President and General Manager Didier Le Calvez, who is a legend in the industry. His attention to detail and service are felt in all aspects of the property and he is always watching to make sure that this famous French landmark lives up to its reputation for being the best in town. \bullet







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Opposite page: botel façade; entrance and lobby sitting room. Above: a spectacular view of Paris from a private terrace; Le Cinq restaurant (top); the pool at the spa and health club (right)



The New York Palace Hotel

ntering through the magnificent courtyard at 50th Street and Madison, one is left with no questions as to why The New York Palace is known throughout the world as the most beautiful hotel in New York.

Located in the heart of Manhattan, The New York Palace Hotel (www.new yorkpalace.com) flawlessly blends old world elegance and new world opulence. Combining one of the most renowned landmark structures in New York – the 1882 Villard Mansion – with a contemporary 55-story tower built in 1980, The New York Palace provides a stunning visual contrast of different centuries. The hotel boasts 897 spacious guest rooms and suites that are among the city's largest and a staff of 1,000 that is renowned for its devotion to superior service.

With three distinctive tiers, The Palace has a unique product offering that can suit a broad range of travel plans. The Main House features deluxe rooms that offer unmatched



views of St. Patrick's Cathedral and Rockefeller Center. Guests staying in the Executive Level have higher-level views and exclusive access to an executive lounge. The hotel's premium tier - The Towers at The New York Palace Hotel - is accessed by a private lobby entrance to ensure the ultimate in discretion. Located on the top 14 floors of the hotel, The Towers is the ideal place for someone looking for a long-term stay in New York. Towers accommodations include more than 80 suites - most of which have fully functioning kitchens - and extremely spacious guest rooms decorated in either a traditional or contemporary décor. Guests of The Towers enjoy maitre d'étage butler services, private elevators, personalized stationery, and complimentary high-speed Internet access.

Atop The Towers are four mag-



The New York Palace in the beart of Manhattan (top); The Towers lobby (above); a Towers Junior Suite

nificent, art-deco inspired Triplex Specialty Suites. Averaging 5,000 square feet, the Triplex Suites feature private elevators, cathedral ceilings in the living rooms and panoramic views of the city from spacious private terraces.

When visiting The New York Palace, make sure to meet Managing Director John L. Segreti. Segreti has managed a number of world-renowned hotels and truly understands the link between strong relationships and superior service. Segreti has succeeded in attracting top-level talent to the Palace team and in bringing The New York Palace Hotel to new levels of prominence.





The Lanesborough, London

deally situated opposite Hyde Park in Knightsbridge, The Lanesborough (www.lanesbor ough.com) has been restored to its original grandeur, taking its name from the country house that once stood at this prestigious location. The hotel's enchanting and warm atmosphere is pervasive throughout its 95 guest rooms, 43 of which are suites and all of which have been luxuriously decorated in the Regency style, considered to be the pinnacle of English interior design.

Adding to the property's ability to deliver a true luxury experience are the butler services it provides. Your butler's main job is to make sure everything is just the way you like it – down to the last detail. Your butler will unpack your luggage, press a change of clothes for you upon your arrival, assist you with room service, bring you tea and coffee in the morning with your wake-up call.

Guests of The Lanesborough will also surely appreciate the property's advanced yet unobtrusive in-room technology. Every room and suite has its own IT system with e-mail and high-speed Internet access, a fax machine, and a phone with private numbers and voicemail services. Each room also has a mobile phone that works throughout the hotel. The property also leaves nothing to be desired in in-room entertainment, with a CD player, DVD player, digital music library, Internet radio, and movies on demand, all at your fingertips.

The Fitness Studio, Internet, movies, and all the inroom amenities – not to mention the use of the hotel's





twenty-four hour butler service – are all built into the price of the room or suite, adding to the value of a stay at The Lanesborough. Managing Director Geoffrey Gelardi, a fourth-generation hotelier, has led the property since its opening in 1991. His attention to every detail and emphasis on service have made The Lanesborough one of the world's finest hotels. ●

Royal Suite master bedroom (top); lobby (far left); Spa Studio treatment room

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Four Seasons Hotel Washington, DC

n the quarter century since Four Seasons Hotel Washington welcomed its first guests, this iconic hotel has earned a unique and enduring place in the life of the nation's capital. Four Seasons Hotel Washington has been home to events that have shaped the world and shaped the lives of its guests, from visiting luminaries to generations of Washingtonians.

With a preferred Pennsylvania Avenue address in historic Georgetown, Four Seasons Hotel Washington is close to everything that matters. The intimate scale of the hotel provides a welcome sense of home, with airy, light-filled public spaces and comfortable, spacious guest rooms. This restful ambiance is enhanced by an extraordinary private art collection that graces every corner of the hotel, providing an unexpected dimension to the guest experience. The hotel's elegant environment is rounded out with superb dining options, resort-style spa and fitness facilities, and outstanding function space.

Perhaps more than anything, it is the warm and genuine hospitality of the hotel, home to the city's finest staff, that ensures guests return again and again. Long-tenured employees, committed to providing the best experience possible, welcome guests to residential surroundings with service that is genuinely friendly and gracious, intelligent and kind. From the most casual of social gatherings to the highest-level business meeting, guests are treated with attention, care, and discretion.

Now, the hotel that has defined service and style for the city is poised to reach a new level of refinement. Never content to rest on its laurels, Four Seasons Hotel Washington has embarked on the most ambitious enhancement program in its history. The East Wing will feature new premier rooms and suites to complement the West Wing collection of exceptional accommodations. Styled





by celebrated interior designer Pierre-Yves Rochon, whose portfolio includes Four Seasons Hotel Georges V Paris, these beautifully enhanced guest rooms will introduce a new level of plush comfort unrivalled in the capital.

Four Seasons Hotel Washington provides a delightful experience that transcends trends and time. Imbued with the Four Seasons spirit and dedication to excellence, this legendary hotel proudly reinforces its position as the city's premier destination.





Opposite page: a Four Seasons Hotel attendant refresbes a guest's room. Clockwise from top: Dumbarton meeting room; private spa room; Premier Room; Executive Suite; guest batbroom



The Colonnade Hotel, Boston

ocated in the heart of Boston's Back Bay, the European-style Colonnade has been hosting Boston's high-end visitors for more than 30 years. The property has 285 guest rooms and nine luxurious suites, all of which offer a seamless blend of traditional elegance and innovative technology.

While visiting The Colonnade Hotel (www.colonnadehotel.com), guests can experience a little bit of France at award-winning Brasserie Jo, Boston's first and only authentic French brasserie, led by renowned Chef Jean Joho. Business leaders can also enjoy Salon Privé, the brasserie's private dining room, which can be configured to accommodate a meeting for up to 60 attendees, a sit-down dinner for 80, or a reception for 100.

For those looking for some rest and relaxation, The Colonnade boasts Boston's and the Hub's only hotel rooftop pool, as well as a new fitness center, complete with the most advanced cardiovascularand strength-training equipment.

To successfully lead a luxury property, one must possess great talent, vast experience, and a keen understanding of guests' needs. Having joined The Colonnade in 1992, Vice President and Managing Director David Colella has it all. A 30-year veteran of the hospitality industry, he is not only involved in all aspects of this luxury property's operations, but he is also very involved in the community. Colella understands the diverse and challenging role of today's hotelier, and has





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mastered the ability to put people (whether guests, employees, or local residents) first. His reputation has helped to establish The Colonnade Hotel as one of Boston's premier luxury properties.

Clockwise from left: rooftop pool; the awardwinning Brasserie Jo; Salon Privé



Harbour Plaza Hong Kong

here can you find the most impressive and efficient corporate suite in Hong Kong?

There are actually two and both are at the Harbour Plaza Hong Kong (www.harbour-plaza.com/hphk), which is owned by billionaire Li Ka-Shing's company. Even though they are frequented by the president of China and numerous other heads of state, these two 3,500-square-foot Presidential Suites are available for your overnight stay and more. With their panoramic views of Hong Kong, special security facilities, integrated meeting rooms, private dining rooms, private saunas, and adjoining suites for staff and security, they can adapt to virtually all of your business and entertainment needs.

With expertise in the Italian, Continental, Japanese, Chinese, and Thai traditions, chefs proficient in creating one-of-a-kind dishes make this the place to host private dinners with the other business moguls in Hong Kong and China. These are the suites one would give one's right arm to be invited to visit. General Manager Jonathan A. Wilson personally supervises the needs of the guests.







These very special suites are such that you are almost guaranteed to soak up the positive feng shui, because so much good luck has come to those who have used the suites, and luck is an important part of the Chinese philosophy.

Staying in one of these suites is an experience you should not miss. •

The Harbour Grill restaurant (top); Presidential Suite bedroom (left) and living room



Nemacolin Woodlands Resort Farmington, Pennsylvania

estled in the Laurel Highlands of western Pennsylvania sits one of the region's most luxurious surprises. The 2,800-acre Nemacolin Woodlands Resort (www.nema colin.com) offers 335 guest accommodations; the acclaimed Woodlands Spa; 36 holes of golf on the traditional Links course and the Pete Dye-designed Mystic Rock course, home to the PGA Tour 84 Lumber Classic; the Shooting Academy, a 30-station sporting clays facility; the Off-Road Driving Academy featuring Hummer vehicles; and the Mystic Mountain ski area; as well as 14 restaurants and lounges and numerous specialty shops.

Joseph Hardy and his daughter Maggie Hardy Magerko, who own the resort as well as 84 Lumber Company, have spared no expense in creating a destination that serves business leaders, corporate executives, and VIPs equally well as both a business venue and as a leisure destination.





Falling Rock, the newest addition to the property, is a boutique hotel that caters specifically to those who expect and demand the best, offering wireless technology, an executive boardroom, and 24-hour butler service. Adjacent to Falling Rock is Horizon Point, which provides 6,800 square feet of banquet and event space, a private dining room, and the exclusive Estuary spa.

The resort has 31,000 square feet of meeting space and banquet facilities, including four ballrooms, a 200-seat lecture hall, and 25 meeting rooms.

Although located only 70 miles southeast of Pittsburgh, VIPs



since your only challenge will be finding time to take advantage of all of the opportunities the resort has to offer. \bullet

Clockwise from top: Falling Rock infinity pool; Lautrec restaurant; water fording at The Rock

will find a 3,900-foot airstrip at the resort, providing convenient access for private planes.

Whether you are relaxing in the spa, playing golf, experiencing the Shooting Academy, or driving a Hummer, Nemacolin will provide you with an array of activities and experiences that cannot be found in any one destination anywhere else in the world. Make sure that you

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