

Hôtel Plaza Athénée Royal Suite

Hôtel Plaza Athénée (dorchestercollection.com/paris/hotel-plaza-athenee), a Dorchester Collection hotel in Paris, has revealed 49 renovated rooms and suites on its fifth and sixth floors, including the legendary Royal Suite. Led by acclaimed French interior design firm, Moinard Bétaille, the hotel's iconic style has been reimaged with a contemporary feel, while still retaining the 18th-century and Haute Couture style that is central to the ethos of the hotel. This project marks the continuation of a partnership between Hôtel Plaza Athénée and Bruno Moinard and Claire Bétaille, who also oversaw the design of the Lobby, The Gallery, La Cour Jardin and Le Relais Plaza.



Designed as true Parisian apartments, each room and suite offer a different layout, ensuring that no two rooms are the same, and allowing guests to rediscover Hôtel Plaza Athénée every time they visit. Six new color palettes have been designed to bring a touch of freshness and softness to the property, amidst its 18th-century backdrop. The Virginia creeper plant that adorns the façade of the hotel's iconic interior courtyard – La Cour Jardin – appears throughout the design; from moldings and mosaics, to the embroidery of cushions, carpets and moiré silks. Silk has also been used for the headboards, creating a foliage and feather design that echoes the lightness and comfort of the beds themselves.



Hôtel Plaza Athénée Royal Suite living areas and bedroom

The new rooms and suites feature Louis XVI-style bedside tables, classic painted wood furniture paired with marble tops and bronze fittings, and chests of drawers that have been specially designed to complement the collection of period furniture that has been restored for the project. The lighting provides a warm atmosphere by highlighting the moldings, materials and textures used in each room. Tailor-made hanging lamps, placed on either side of the beds, pay homage to antique lanterns, with hand-decorated glass elements that reflect gold sparkles. The rooms and suites are also adorned with chandeliers that are covered in iridescent pendants. In the bathrooms, moldings and mosaics with foliage motif envelop the white marble with light grey veining that covers the floors and walls, adding a touch of color which echoes what is found in the bedrooms.

Located on the fifth floor, The Royal Suite is one of the largest suites in Paris. The suite is comprised of four bedrooms, four bathrooms, a living room, dining room, pantry, and balcony, from which guests can enjoy spectacular views of the Eiffel Tower, Avenue Montaigne, and the hotel's La Cour Jardin. Throughout the Royal Suite, hidden details are incorporated to surprise and delight guests. Additional touches include a bar concealed in a travel trunk and a crystal counter that reflects the light and views of the suite. The suite's moldings, cornices and Versailles parquet floors pay tribute to the hotel's rich history.

Hôtel Plaza Athénée stands proudly on the city's famous avenue of couture, surrounded by some of the world's most luxurious fashion brands. For decades, this area has attracted artists and given designers the most elegant showcase of the world. When visiting Paris, Hôtel Plaza Athénée is the place to stay. As François Delahaye, Chief Operating Officer, Dorchester Collection, says, "Coming into Hôtel Plaza Athénée is rather like entering a beautiful home." ●