



New York City: The Arlo Midtown

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During my recent visit to New York City with a friend, we stayed at Arlo Midtown, a two-year-old hotel property located right between Times Square and the Hudson Yards, on 38th street and 9th avenue. If the hotel name sounds familiar to you, perhaps that is because Arlo Hotels is an independent, four-star lifestyle hotel brand, with two other locations in New York City, two in Miami, and the newest property having just opened in Chicago. Featuring 489 guest rooms and suites, Arlo Midtown also features a modern-looking lobby bathed in greenery, with a coffee shop and plenty of comfortable, cushioned seating.

While the hotel has six different room types available for all travelers, my friend and I stayed in a King room on the 20th floor, which featured an incredibly comfortable bed, a view of nearby skyscrapers, and calming colour palettes of white, grey, and light blue. One of the room's highlights was a comfortable window bench, which you will find in most of the hotel's rooms. Rooms are also equipped with bedside wireless charging stations, Bluetooth radios, 55" LED TVs, and complimentary WiFi. The bathroom includes a glass-enclosed shower and softly backlit bathroom mirrors.

Another hotel highlight is the rooftop, where you can soak up some beautiful panoramic views of the city, including the Empire State Building, from 26 stories as you socialize with friends, mingle with colleagues, or celebrate with family over craft beers, fine wines, creative cocktails, and light bites.

The hotel's business features include a variety of flexible meeting and event spaces, with seven venues offering a total of 7,334 square feet of meeting space spanning across three floors. The hotel's leisure facilities include a state-of-the-art fitness facility, outfitted with traditional weights and cardio equipment, in addition to Peloton bikes, an Interactive Fitness Mirror, a yoga studio, and more. ■

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New Tokyo Hotels in 2023

Bulgari Hotel Tokyo: Opening in 2023

Taking over the top seven floors of a new ultra-skyscraper, the Bulgari Tokyo will be located within walking distance of top sites in Tokyo, including Nihombashi, Ginza and Tokyo Station. In addition to its 98 guest rooms and the iconic staples of Bulgari Hotels (the Bulgari Bar, Il Ristorante, and Il Cioccolato), the Bulgari Spa will offer innovative treatments and a 82-foot-long indoor pool.

https://www.bulgarihotels.com/en_US/tokyo

Janu Tokyo: Opening 2023

Aman Resorts' sister brand, Janu, will open its affordable luxury hotel Janu Tokyo in 2023. Located within the same complex as the new Aman Residences Tokyo, Janu Tokyo will feature 120 luxury rooms overlooking a central square of lush greenery. The property also will be home to Japan's largest spa, six restaurants, a café and bars.

<https://www.janu.com/en/>

The Tokyo Kabukicho Tower: Opening 2023

Expected to be Japan's largest hotel and entertainment complex, the massive Tokyo Kabukicho Tower will open in spring 2023. It will feature two luxury hotels – the Hotel Groove Shinjuku and the Bellustar Tokyo. The complex will also feature the Bandai Namco amusement center, the concert venue Zepp Tokyo, two floors of live theaters and cinemas, and an entertainment food hall.

<https://tokyu-kabukicho-tower.jp/>