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# HOTELS À LA MODE

The editors' favourite fashion-week retreats



## THE MARK NEW YORK

Striking monochrome marble bathrooms and an excellent concierge who can source sold-out exhibition tickets at the neighbouring Met and Frick galleries are just a couple of the highlights on offer at this sleek, deco gem. Its fashionable guests also appreciate the hotel's Frédéric Fekkai hair salon and John Lobb shoe-shine service that ensure they are as glossy as the Upper East Side surroundings. The Mark's understated luxury comes courtesy of the legendary interior designer Jacques Grange, whose previous clients have included Yves Saint Laurent, Valentino and Princess Caroline of Monaco. The Frenchman's flourish can also be seen in the brand-new penthouse suite (the largest in the US) – a 12,000-square-foot abode with five bedrooms, four fireplaces, six bathrooms and a vast terrace overlooking Central Park. Even in the less palatial rooms, you'll still be able to mix up a drink using the hidden ice drawer, then head downstairs to people-watch in the buzzing bar before dining chez Jean-Georges Vongerichten, whose cuisine is as famed as the hotel's clientele.

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*The Mark* (+1 212 744 4300; [www.themarkhotel.com](http://www.themarkhotel.com)), from about £340 a room a night.

