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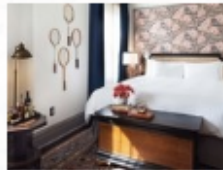
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Whether you want top-shelf luxury or funky boutique, the best hotels in [New York City](#) offer something for every kind of traveler. See which Big Apple hotels were named the greatest of the greatest by *Condé Nast Traveler* readers, then get ready to plan your next trip to NYC. (Click to view as a [list](#))



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20. The High Line Hotel

Located across the street from the elevated High Line urban park, The High Line Hotel is an elegant blast from the past in the center of ultra-modern Chelsea. Though it only opened in 2013, the 60-room hotel is housed inside a 19th-century Gothic building that was once a seminary. Rooms retain their original architecture and are furnished and accessorized with objects that scream eclectic Americana (think: heirloom rugs and original 1920s rotary telephones). Sip a latte in the lobby from the on-site Intelligentsia coffee bar, or sit outside in the Paris-inspired garden for an evening glass of wine.

Courtesy The High Line Hotel

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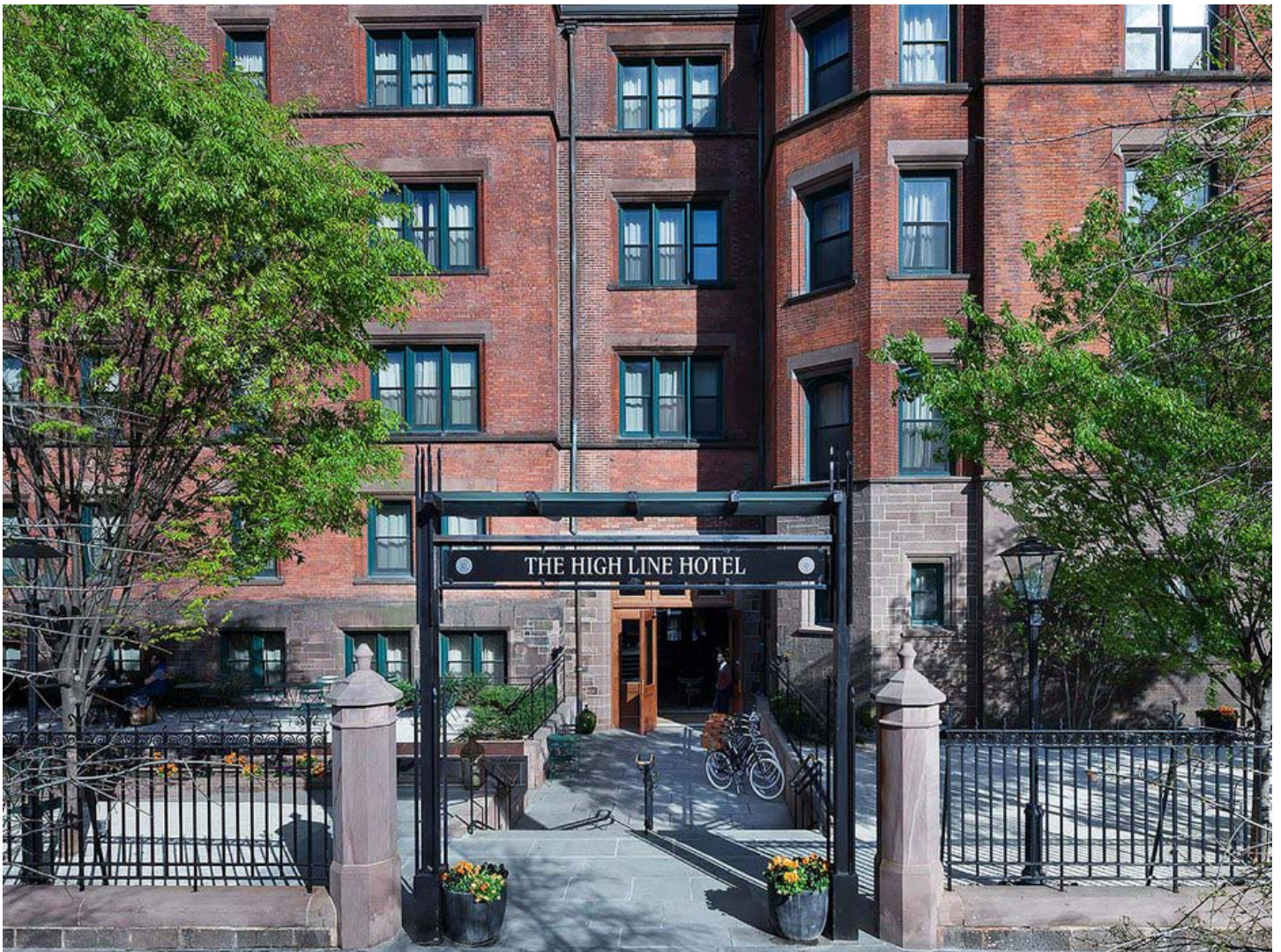
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Overall Rating: 83.056



The Location: In Chelsea across the street from the High Line, the West Side's picturesque elevated park.

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The Look: In ultra-modern Chelsea, land of sleek galleries and trendy night spots, the High Line Hotel is an elegant blast from the past. Though it only opened in 2013, the hotel is housed inside a 19th-century Gothic building that was once a seminary. Rooms retain their original architecture, feature local furniture, and get plenty of light. Sip a latte in the lobby from the on-site Intelligensia coffee bar, or sit outside in the Paris-inspired garden.

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A FUNNY LITTLE FIND

THE HIGH LINE HOTEL



Tenth Avenue at 20th Street is an odd bit of sort-of Chelsea, and this little hotel is unique. Although it takes its name from a disused rail track, its origins are as part of the General Theological Seminary, a 19th-century complex of brick buildings with a cloistered garden, owned by the Episcopal Church. Its new incarnation is a nuanced interpretation of the home of a theologian with an eye for vintage furniture, brasses, taxidermy and antiques, supplied by on-trend design company Roman and Williams (see the Viceroy). A 1960s Citroën truck in the front yard selling Intelligentsia coffee raises the hipster quotient further, as does a rack of retro bikes. Guests are a mixed bag of media-savvy beardies and Chelsea art collectors; locals stop in the cosy lobby for a coffee, which lends the place a pleasant, lived-in feel. Otherwise, there's no food or drink on site (although an outdoor Champagne bar will open in May), and service is

limited to a couple of hosts and a busy bellhop. *Vanity Fair* held its 100th birthday party in the seminary's Gothic refectory last year; as an indication of the close relationship between church and hotel, the minstrels' gallery can only be accessed through a seminarian's bedroom closet. **PB** www.thehighlinehotel.com. Doubles from about £215