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Big hotel chains can be great—you know exactly what you’ll be getting. But in a city like New York that throbs with creative energy, there’s a definite appeal to staying in a more indie, smaller, even quirky place. But one with the best service and amenities, of course. Here are some of the best boutique hotels the city has to offer.
The lobby of the High Line Hotel

The 60 rooms and suites of the High Line Hotel occupy the redbrick General Theological Seminary complex—once the estate of A Visit from St. Nicholas poet Clement Clarke Moore and a registered landmark. The gardens and buildings behind the hotel still function as an Episcopalian seminary, with the students taking some of their meals in hotel facilities. But the hotel itself hits all the 2019 buttons: cool neighborhood (West Chelsea), food trucks outside, Intelligentsia coffee, Shinola bicycles, faux-rotary phones. The front garden bar—which helped popularize the frozen Negroni a few years ago—is now a homage to the late psychic and artist Ingo Swann.