

REVIEW

Nine Orchard: First In

Nine Orchard transforms a Lower East Side landmark into a stunning, expertly renovated design oasis in the center of one of the best cities in the world.



AMENITIES

Bar

Free Wifi

ROOMS

116

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Why book?

Located in one of NYC's most energy-packed neighborhoods, Nine Orchard is the newest addition to the Lower East Side, offering impeccable design, VIP city views, an impressive cocktail scene plus food from superstar [Ignacio Mattos](#).

Set the scene:

Originally built in 1912, Nine Orchard is a bank-turned-hotel complete with details that would make an architecture lover woozy. The team took painstaking efforts to restore the historic bones, with the main star being the original vaulted bank ceiling of the hotel's cocktail lounge. Rivaling [Grand Central Terminal's](#) impressive ceilings, it's impossible not to be distracted by what you can see above while sipping your expert martini surrounded by stylish guests and neighborhood creatives.

The rooms:

Before you ever walk into one of the 116 guest rooms, you'll notice all of them are labeled as an homage to NYC apartment living—2A, 4F. It helps live up to the task of a home away from home which the hotel goes for, but in this case, it's more like your own home in this big city. It's a nice fantasy here, too. Minimalist, chic design touches are everywhere, from the quality craftsmanship of the custom bed frames to the restored wall moldings, along with the dreamiest of mini bars stocked with luxury treats like [Tony's Chocolonely](#) bars and bourbon whiskey from [Kings County Distillery](#) made one borough over in Brooklyn. Every room has a custom speaker system, programmed with New York-inspired radio stations created for the hotel by DJ Stretch Armstrong and Devon Turnbull. Room tip: If you're looking for wrap-around views of the city (including peeks of the Chrysler Building and the [Empire State Building](#)), ample space, and a walk-in shower that dwarfs you, stay in 5K. Featuring a cozy king-sized bed and a generous sitting area, this corner room is a perfect slice of Nine Orchard.