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explore NYC's exciting new architecture by BIG, renzo piano, and more through digital tours

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Impressions: 2,150,000



during a time when urban exploring is restricted, a host of developments in new york city have shared in-depth digital tours inside some of the city's newest and most exciting residential towers. during the lockdown in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic, some of the most important works of architecture have opened up through a collection of tours previously not accessible to the public. while COVID-19 has had an impact on the real estate market, the teams behind each development turn to technology that allows for online sales tours for domestic and international buyers. with this initiative, new yorkers and virtual tourists alike are invited to continue exploring the great architecture of the city.

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The XI



seen in the digital tour above, the XI features architecture by bjarke ingels. it is a mixed-use residential and commercial development realized through a collaboration between bjarke ingels group (BIG), gabellini sheppard associates, gilles & boissier, enzo enea, and six senses. the sculptural pair of towers soar above the hudson river and the high line and occupy one square block between 17th and 18th streets between 10th and 11th avenues.

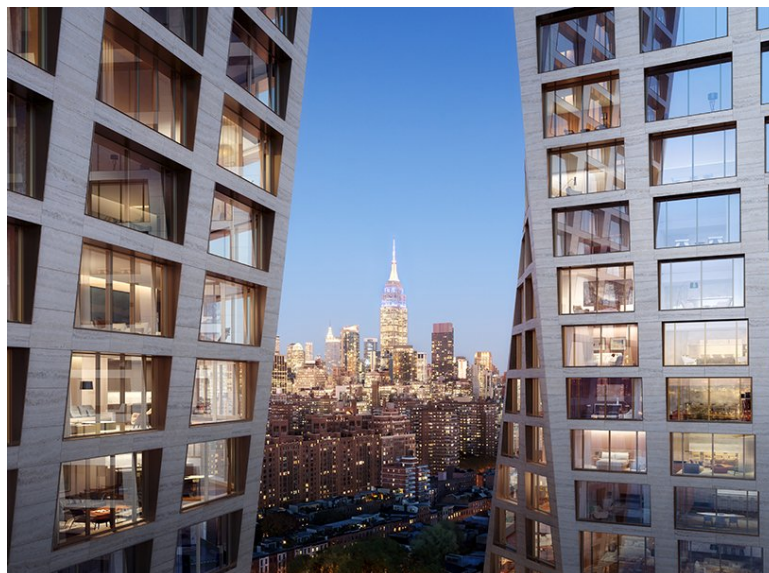


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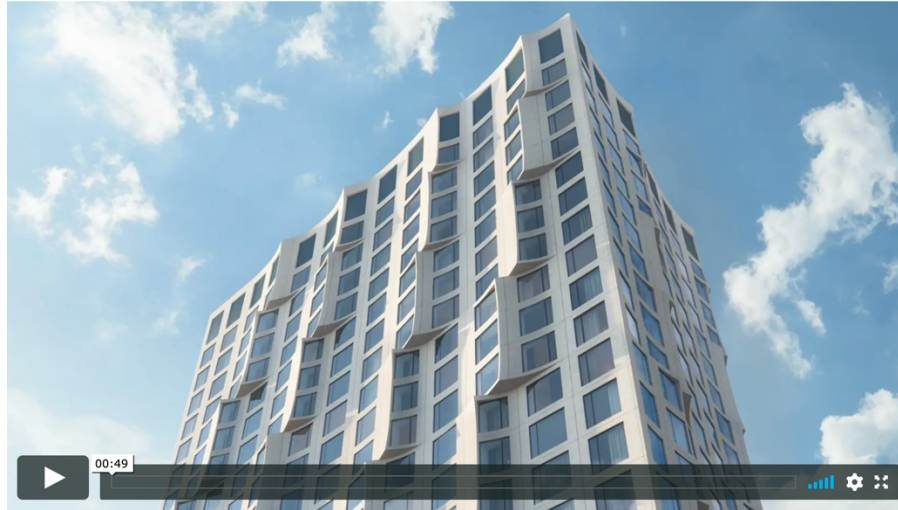
the XI is comprised of two towers clad in travertine and bronze. together, the towers offer 236 luxury condominium residences, as well as the first hotel destination in the

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united states by six senses hotels resorts spas. see designboom's previous coverage of the project [here](#).

11 hoyt



11 hoyt features architecture by **jeanne gang/studio gang** with interiors by **michaelis boyd associates**. the 57-story tower rises 660 feet and spans almost an entire city block with frontage along hoyt, livingston and elm street. located in downtown brooklyn, one of the building's distinctive features is an elevated, private park for residents that surrounds the building.

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11 hoyt measures nearly 27,000-square-feet and is built atop a two-story base that houses 40,000 square feet of retail space. the building includes 481 residences ranging from studio to four-bedrooms and an expansive collection of more than 55,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor amenities. see designboom's previous coverage of the project [here](#).

[the towers of the waldorf Astoria](#)

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the waldorf astoria new york has been a beacon of timeless glamour for nearly a century — home to hollywood's elite, the site of famed cultural events and galas. the property is in the midst of an unprecedented restoration, undertaken by developer dajia insurance group and architects skidmore, owings & merrill (SOM). the sophisticated residential interiors and amenities by jean-louis deniot create a truly modern experience within the building's historic framework.



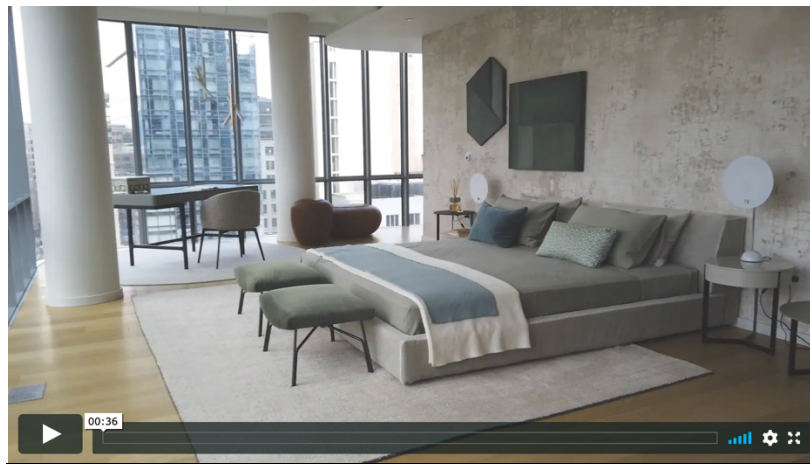
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the wide variety of residences at the towers of the waldorf astoria, seen through the digital tour, range from gracious studios to opulent four bedrooms and penthouses, many with unique floor plans and private outdoor spaces. privacy and security are paramount, with a discrete residential experience separate from the hotel, two fully-staffed entry lobbies, a porte cochère with 24-hour valet service, and concierge closest into the entryway for every residence, allowing for secure delivery of packages and room service.

565 broome soho



565 broome soho is pritzker prize-winning architect renzo piano's first residential building in NYC and the tallest residential tower in soho. renzo's vision for the building is shaped by light, which led him to design conjoined glass towers with curved corners and a unique 'low-iron' glass with a crystal-like sheen that allows the facade to take on the color of the weather, as well as to create clear views from the interiors.

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565 broome soho features 17,000 square feet of amenities, highlighted by a 92-foot tall indoor conservatory with live green walls and three full-grown black olive trees; 55-foot long saltwater pool; private gated porte cochere that leads to the automated parking system, located above ground and encased in glass so cars are visible from street level. residents also have access to a children's playroom, 24-hour concierge and attended double-height lobby, fully equipped fitness center, and landscaped outdoor terrace. see designboom's previous coverage of the project [here](#).

111 west 57th street



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new york's 111 west 57th street by SHoP architects is a bold yet graceful residential tower that is perfectly centered over central park in midtown manhattan. the tower is the second tallest residential building in the western hemisphere and recently topped out at 1,428 feet following the installation of its 300-foot decorative steel crown.



image by peter Murdock

paying homage to the most iconic and celebrated skyscrapers of manhattan's pre-war golden age, 111 west 57th street features architecture by SHoP architects and interior architecture by william sofield. with only one residence per floor, the design of each of the tower's 46 full-floor and duplex residences maximize the park and skyline views.

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