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BUILDINGS IN BLOOM

Dreamy New Residences For Families In The City

few years ago, the city landscape was blessed with a big harvest of new luxury residential buildings. Seizing on the fact that more and more young families were opting to stay in the city rather than move to the 'burbs, developers met their needs with buildings loaded with special amenities—from movie rooms to swimming pools—to help enhance family living. Reflecting the downturn in the economy, the rate of new amenity-rich buildings appearing on the market slowed to a trickle, but when we surveyed the city for this article, we found more new (or new-ish) and exciting residential properties than we had anticipated. And to give you a better sense of your local options, we threw in a few classics as well.

Philip House: 141 East 88th Street

Ranging in size from 702-square-foot one-bedrooms to 3,795-square-foot five-bedrooms, all of the 79 units in this completely renovated pre-war condo on the Upper East Side feature distinctive crown moldings, wide plank oak flooring, coffered ceilings, and wood-burning fireplaces. Building amenities include a landscaped rooftop terrace with a resident-only club room furnished with comfortable lounge areas, 60" LED HD televisions, surround sound, Wi-Fi, and wet bar. Residents will also have access to a separate gaming room equipped with game systems and foosball table, a music practice room, a Technogym fitness center, and on-site storage. In addition, a full-time staff of doormen and porters, as well as a resident superintendent, will be available on-site. *philiphousenyc.com*; 212.860.4188

