

Best of the Best: 7 Hotel Renovations That Made the Best Even Better

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Even beloved hotels eventually need to be updated, modernized, renovated, or re-imagined. And that's exactly what's happened in these seven magically remade locations. Read on for details about the Peninsula Beijing, Manhattan's The Lowell, The Ritz Paris, and a handful of other newly refined treasures.

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Not far from the roar and spray of Zimbabwe's thunderous Victoria Falls, [andBeyond](#) reopened its 18-suite Matetsi River Lodge last August following a \$10 million rebuild that significantly upgraded the local safari experience inside and out. Suites with plunge pools, soaking tubs, and custom artwork are arguably the region's finest; 9 miles of Zambezi riverfront and 123,500 acres of exclusive reserve access ensure game sightings to match. Also bolstering the wildlife viewing are 14 solar-powered watering holes that andBeyond created to draw elephants, giraffes, and other animals right to the camp's doorstep (\$705–\$995).



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