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THE LOWDOWN ON REAL ESTATE AROUND THE WORLD:  
WHAT'S HOT, WHERE TO LOOK AND WHEN TO INVEST



Little Whale Cay, a 38ha private island in the Bahamas

## EXECUTIVE NOMADS

A new, younger class of global homebuyer is leveraging the trend towards hybrid work styles, reports Peter Swain



The Towers of the Waldorf Astoria hold court on Park Avenue

## BIG APPLE BLOSSOMING

Three iconic names are opening new doors in Manhattan

THE NOMAD PART of the new Ritz-Carlton New York, NoMad ([ritzcarlton.com](http://ritzcarlton.com)) on Broadway and 28th Street actually denotes “north of Madison Square Park”, but the 16 one- and two-bedroom penthouse residences also make perfect pieds-à-terre for executive nomads.

These 85 to 172 sq m condos on the top four floors of the 44-storey tower feature three-metre ceilings, full-length windows affording spectacular views, white oak floors, marble-bedecked bathrooms and easy access to a full-service spa and the hotel’s two José Andrés-helmed restaurants. When owners are away, the hotel can also rent out the residences, making them an interesting investment as well as a lifestyle proposition.

Twenty-two blocks north, the historic Waldorf Astoria on Park Avenue is undergoing substantial renovation to create 375 studios, apartments and four-bedroom penthouses. Branded The Towers of the Waldorf Astoria ([waldorftowers.nyc](http://waldorftowers.nyc)), completion is set for early 2024, with interior design by Jean-Louis Deniot. “I designed custom-made architectural profiles that play with and pay homage to Art Deco, but never mimic this style. The outcome fuses classical

with contemporary,” remarks Deniot. Approaching The Towers through a grand porte-cochère, residents will enjoy 24-hour valet service as well as substantial private residential amenities.

Around the corner, the Aman New York ([aman.com](http://aman.com)) in the iconic Crown Building on Fifth Avenue and 57th Street opened to rave reviews in August. Atop the 83 hotel suites, three-floor Aman spa and wellness centre, and Japanese Nama and Italian Arva restaurants, sit 22 fully serviced residences on floors 15-30, designed by Jean-Michel Gathy.

Ranging from one- to six-bedroom apartments, some with outdoor terraces and heated pools, the stratospherically high specifications of these urban retreats will be familiar to “Amanjunkies”. Residence owners become founding members of the Aman Club, encompassing the Aman Spa, Jazz Club and Wine Room, as well as priority access to both restaurants. Post-pandemic, the Big Apple has rediscovered its mojo.



The elegant lobby of The Ritz-Carlton NoMad