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The 13 Best Spas in New York City

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One of the greatest things about New York City is the plethora of treasures hiding behind impersonal brick facades. All around us, there are dimly-lit speakeasies, sprawling art installations, site-specific performances, and delightful little shops. But sometimes you just need somewhere to rest for a while, a place to steam and scrub away your worries. Luckily, when it comes to rest and relaxation amid the frenzy, there are wellness utopias, similarly hidden just steps from the concrete.

In this spinoff local edition of our [Global Spa Guide](#), we give you some of the best spas in New York City. Whether you're looking for a subterranean cocoon, a parade of pools, or sweeping city views to enjoy post-massage, our guide has something for everyone. Read on for our picks for the best spas in New York City.

Waldorf Astoria



Photo: Courtesy of Guerlain Wellness Spa

History may be everywhere you look in the ground-level lobby, but that's not exactly the case at the Guerlain spa, which gleams anew after opening last fall, just a few months after the re-opening of the hotel. The fifth-floor space is in keeping with other Guerlain spas around the world: crisp, clean surfaces adorned with gilded flourishes, a sculptural orchid, or rows of illuminated perfume bottles standing at the entrance. The overall feel is very much in keeping with its Park Avenue address—a hushed calm above the fray, not exactly echoing the unique aesthetics of the lobby, but polished to a high sheen. At 22,000 square feet, this new spa is the largest Guerlain spa in the world, and offers a 30-page treatment menu. —*C.S.*

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