These Three New Buildings in NYC Are Chock-Full of Unique Amenities

Features include New York’s highest private outdoor tennis court, a waterpark for kids, a spiritual concierge, juice bars and a meditation room with a backlit Himalayan salt wall.

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A person’s fancy often turns to thoughts of love in the spring. But in New York City, land of the multimillion-dollar one-bedroom apartment, it’s quite possible that real estate is even more important than love. (Sorry, Tennyson!) And in the Big Apple, more new developments launch in the springtime than any other season. So, let’s put aside the Rilke poems because spring has sprung and it’s show time for some of the city’s most gorgeous new buildings.
We’ve rounded up some of the most indulgent, mouth-watering residential options launching this spring in both Manhattan and Brooklyn. (Spoiler alert: it’s entirely possible that the best views are actually from Brooklyn.) All three buildings sport a laundry list of luxurious amenities, private members clubs, and top-of-the-line materials, such as leathered marble counters, suede Venetian plaster walls, and matte platinum fixtures.

These buildings have also got wellness options out the wazoo. We’re not talking just swimming pools, yoga rooms, massage suites, and fitness centers. We’re talking secret gardens, rooftop terraces with fire pits, and even a meditation room with a backlit Himalayan salt wall. There are “movement studios” and juice bars, and one of them boasts New York’s highest private outdoor tennis court, with views over the Brooklyn Bridge. And while children’s playrooms have become standard in high-end developments across New York, how about a children’s “imagination room,” or a private waterpark for the rugrats?

You get the idea, but we’ve saved the best and perhaps most unconventional amenity on offer for last — a shaman on speed dial. Yep, the Maverick is offering its own spiritual concierge for when residents need some maxims, mantras, meditation, and metaphysics right in the convenience of their own condo in the heart of Chelsea. FYI: Smudging sage, healing crystals, and singing bowls are extra. Of course, as the market rapidly recovers from the pandemic, eager house hunters are wise to move fast to assure themselves the best units in the best new buildings. Make sure your financial ducks are in a row, folks, grab your checkbooks and let’s start shopping!

The 33-floor Olympia in Brooklyn’s hip Dumbo neighborhood, offers fantastic views of New York Harbor and the lower Manhattan skyline from the highest crest in the neighborhood.

The 76-unit wedge-shaped high-rise, at 30 Front Street, offers more than 38,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor amenities, including a swimming pool, a gym, a bike room and a children’s playroom.
Prices start at $1.75 million, and run up to $19.5 million for Penthouse B, pictured, which offers five bedrooms, five and a half baths in almost 5,000 square feet, along with a sizable terrace with glittery city views.

Should the penthouse sell for its sky-high asking price, it will easily surpass the $16.745 million Matt Damon paid for his mansion-sized penthouse at the Standish several years ago, but will fall well short of the current record hold for the most ever paid for a borough residence, the $25.5 million a mysterious buyer shelled out, in a late 2020 an off-market deal, for Vincent Viola’s Brooklyn Heights townhouse.

Sales for the Olympia are being handled by Karen Heyman and Casey Heyman of The Heyman Team at Sotheby’s International Realty, Fredrik Eklund and John Gomes of The Eklund / Gomes Team at Douglas Elliman, and M. Monica Novo of The Novo Team at Douglas Elliman.