PENTHOUSE VIEW

NOLITA PRICE: \$8.95 MILLION

Almost every room in this two-bedroom penthouse has French doors that open on to a landscaped, L-shaped terrace, planted with wisteria and clematis.

It sits atop 211 Elizabeth, a condominium by Roman & Williams, the designers who are now in charge of the \$22 million renovation of the Met's British Galleries, due to reopen in 2020.

Agent: Savills (020 7016 3740; savills.com)



HOTSPOTS

STYLE AND THE CITY

As the jet set descend for New York Fashion Week,

Melissa Lawford finds the most sartorial homes in the Big Apple



CLASSIC TOWNHOUSE

UPPER WEST SIDE PRICE: \$7.995MILLION

Built in 1893, this sixbedroom Renaissance revival townhouse is designed for an old-school New York fashionista.

The brownstone facade is carved with foliate ornamentation, the parlour has crown mouldings and Tiffany-style glass cabinets and the 13ft-high ceilings are bedecked with crystal chandeliers.

For those seeking a retreat from the Fashion Week crowds, there's a rooftop deck with views of the Hudson River.

Agent: Christie's International Real Estate (001 212 974 4434; christiesrealestate.com)



BACK TO THE ROARING TWENTIES

UPPER EAST SIDE PRICE: \$45MILLION (£37.4MILLION)

This four-bedroom, two-storey penthouse in what was formerly the Westbury Hotel has a master suite that alone measures more than 2,000 sq ft. The building was converted into 47 apartments in 1999, but residents can still enjoy amenities that include a large full-time staff.

A 30ft gallery runs along

the east side of the building and there's a private elevator. Both terraces have views of the skyline, and it has the kind of marble staircase with art deco gilded iron railings that creates a natural backdrop for ball gowns.

Agent: Knight Frank (001 212 418 2049; knightfrank.com)





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NEW JERSEY PRICE ON APPLICATION

This 58-room mansion has been declared by some to be an American Versailles.

The property, which is more than a century old, has been newly restored by a team of Italian craftsmen. The great hall has 30ft-high ceilings and comes complete with an Aeolian pipe player organ.

There's an eight-car garage, a wine cellar, a cigar room, a beauty salon, a theatre and, in the 12 acres of grounds, a tennis court, a pool and two fountains.

Agent: Christie's International Real Estate (001 201 675 5799; christiesrealestate.com)

ART AND SOUL

TRIBECA PRICE: \$9.999 MILLION

This five-bedroom triplex in The American Thread Building is made for entertaining.

Painted cast iron columns support the 26fthigh ceilings of the great room, which features a mural by the artist Keith Haring. There are vast arched windows, a woodburning fireplace and a steel staircase, which leads to a mezzanine with a glass balcony wall.

There's also a chef's kitchen and climate -controlled wine cellar - for the ultimate party.

Agent: Knight Frank, (001 212

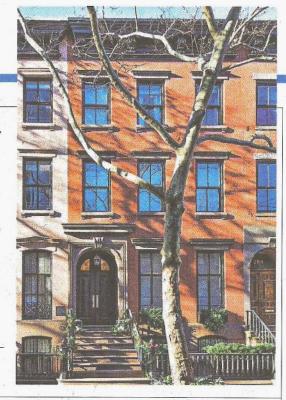


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GREENWICH VILLAGE PRICE: \$18 MILLION

For those who like to combine history, style and the great outdoors, this newly renovated, Italianate, 1860 townhouse offers a rooftop hot tub and an outdoor shower. There's also a garden, a solarium with views of the Empire State Building, hardwood floors and a bath book-ended in statuario marble.

Agent: Sotheby's International Realty (001 212 606 7660; sothebyshomes.com



OUT OF EDEN

UPPER EAST SIDE PRICE: \$58MILLION

With 72ft of direct frontage on Central Park and a living room overlooking the reservoir, this six-bedroom penthouse on top of the Stanhope building feels surprisingly bucolic.

The apartment has no fewer than five vine-clad wraparound terraces, designed by the landscaper Madison Cox, which total 4,817 sq ft and are large enough to house several trees. Each suite comes with ample built-in closets, perfect for stashing Fashion Week wares.

Agent: Sotheby's International Realty (001 212 606 7660;



274 7955; knightfrank.com)

SKY-HIGH VIBE

MIDTOWN PRICE: FROM \$18MILLION



extravagant heels. Each full floor or duplex apartment has dizzying ceiling heights, 360-degree views of Manhattan and interiors by Studio Sofield.

Residents also have the luxury of a 24-hour concierge and a private driveway with custom urn chandeliers.

Agent: Knight Frank (020 7861 5033; knightfrank.com)



MODERN CACHET

UPPER EAST SIDE PRICE: \$35MILLION

When the inventor and businessman Sherman M Fairchild commissioned the architects William Hamby and George Nelson to build his home, he wanted a property as avant garde as he was. The result was one of Manhattan's first modernist townhouses: a zigzagging

floors, statement light fixtures and travertine walls under a vast glass and steel skylight.

The five-bedroom home has a red-granite facade and is the type that, clearly, demands an art collection.

Agent: Christie's International Real Estate (001 212 468 7140: system of ramps, patterned | christiesrealestate.com)

