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TRAVEL WELL (AND SPEND LESS)

# TRAVEL + LEISURE

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ENTER  
THE T+L  
WORLD'S  
BEST  
SWEEPSTAKES  
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**2009  
DESIGN  
AWARDS**  
RESTAURANTS  
HOTELS  
LUGGAGE...

**+**  
HOTEL  
SECURITY  
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**AFFORDABLE  
BEACH  
RESORTS**  
FOR UNDER  
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Looking west from a fifth-floor room at the Standard, in New York's Meatpacking District.

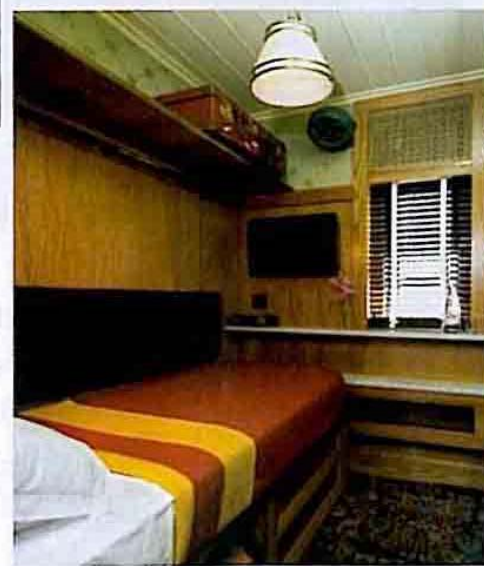
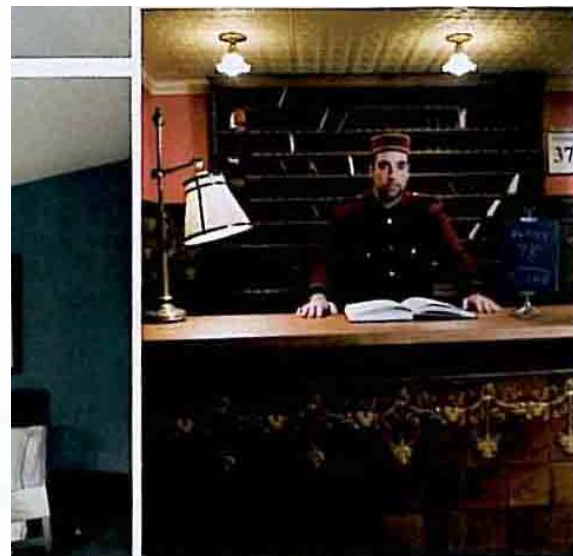


## New York: High Style for Less

Their rooms may be small, but these fresh Big Apple boutique hotels have flair to spare—and the friendly rates will surprise you. Photographed by Morgan & Owens

**GREAT  
VALUE**

**THE JANE** While the Jane, designed by Sean MacPherson (the Bowery Hotel, the Maritime Hotel), is romantic in theory—an old riverfront building with tiny rooms modeled after European train sleeper cars—keep in mind that a New York hotel with starting rates in the double digits comes with drawbacks. Our room during a recent stay had a 27-inch flat-screen TV, an iPod dock, and complimentary water bottled on-site, but the room was too hot, and opening the window wasn't an option because the property is next to the roaring West Side Highway. Bathrooms are shared and coed, which won't appeal to all travelers. **T+L TIP** The location is great for Greenwich Village access, and plans for double rooms and a lobby bar are in the works. *113 Jane St.; 212/924-6700; thejanenyc.com; singles from \$99.*



**New York News** Clockwise from top: A Queen Alcove room at the Nu Hotel; the Jane's front desk; a sleeper-car-style room at the Jane; the sleek, contemporary design of a Deluxe Queen room at Ace; the redone lobby of the Empire Hotel; a double room at Stay, in Times Square.

