HOTEL BELLECLAIRE

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*A*long West 77th Street and Broadway people are dazzled by what is known as the flashiest hotels in the Upper West Side. Hotel Belleclaire's rich history is used as inspiration as it melds old world charm with modern day conveniences. Located near the city's biggest attractions, including The American Museum of Natural History, Central Park and Lincoln Center, visitors can immerse themselves in New York culture.

First opening in 1903, the hotel was designed by famous architect Emery Roth and has been the vacation spot for numerous golden era characters, including Babe Ruth and Mark Twain. Through time the interior has advanced into a modern day retreat from the chaotic New York scene. With over 230 rooms and suites each room has a unique design that complements the stunning views of the city.

Subtle accents of red, brown and beige in the rooms bring a tranquil feeling to visitors that stay at Hotel Belleclaire. Offering different types of rooms, some the most desired views

can be seen from the City View Rooms, Broadway King and the Parlor Suites. Within the City View Rooms guest can the expansive views of Broadway or the Hudson River. Broadway King boasts panoramic views of the city and is one of the rare views of a hotel. Within every room there are luxury bathroom amenities, flat screen HDTVs, and docks for mp3 players.

Creating a home away from home feel, Hotel Belleclaire offers many amenities that will make your travel enjoyable. A 24-hour fitness center, Mac computers for personal use, and for children, there is a state of the art media room full of arcades games. There are meeting rooms that are perfect for small gatherings or other such functions.

For people wanting to escape their chaotic New York life, a trip to the Upper West Side's Hotel Belleclaire for a mini-getaway will make people appreciate the city in a new way. Enter a local, but get treated like tourist and have all your request fulfilled. •

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