

# Hotel Project - Final Deployment Checklist

## 1. Basic Settings (MUST-DO FIRST)

- [ ] Set DEBUG = False in settings.py
- [ ] Add your domain(s) to ALLOWED\_HOSTS
- [ ] Ensure SECRET\_KEY is secure (use environment variable)

## 2. Static & Media Files

- [ ] Run python manage.py collectstatic
- [ ] Check STATICFILES\_DIRS, STATIC\_ROOT, MEDIA\_ROOT, and URLs
- [ ] Test serving media files (images, PDFs, etc.)

## 3. Security

- [ ] Enable HTTPS (SSL certificate via Let's Encrypt or provider)
- [ ] Set SECURE\_SSL\_REDIRECT = True
- [ ] Set SESSION\_COOKIE\_SECURE = True
- [ ] Set CSRF\_COOKIE\_SECURE = True
- [ ] Add security headers: X-Content-Type-Options, X-Frame-Options, etc.

## 4. Email Setup

- [ ] Connect to a reliable email service (Mailgun, SendGrid, SMTP)
- [ ] Test Career applications, Contact form, Newsletter subscriptions
- [ ] Add reCAPTCHA if not already done

## 5. UI & UX Testing

- [ ] Manually test all hotel pages (mobile + desktop)
- [ ] Confirm booking redirects (e.g. SynXis) are working
- [ ] Test PDF views, menus, and image galleries
- [ ] Verify animations, carousels, modals

## 6. SEO & Analytics

- [ ] Add meta tags for each hotel/room/restaurant page
- [ ] Add Open Graph / Twitter card support
- [ ] Generate sitemap.xml and robots.txt
- [ ] Submit sitemap to Google Search Console

- [ ] Connect Google Analytics (or similar)

## **7. Functional Testing**

- [ ] Run python manage.py check
- [ ] Create test superuser and log in to Django admin
- [ ] Check all forms with real inputs
- [ ] Make sure slugs, banners, and galleries are hotel-specific

## **8. Performance & Optimization**

- [ ] Optimize all images
- [ ] Check for N+1 queries or slow pages
- [ ] Enable template fragment caching or @cache\_page if needed

## **9. Server & Deployment**

- [ ] Set up Gunicorn + Nginx
- [ ] Enable firewall + fail2ban
- [ ] Set up auto-restart with supervisor or systemd
- [ ] Automate database backups

## **10. Legal & Policies**

- [ ] Add Privacy Policy + Terms & Conditions pages
- [ ] Add cookie banner if you're using tracking