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16 NEW & COMING-SOON HOTELS ANSWER RISING DEMAND IN PHILADELPHIA Major Brands & Boutique Properties Pop Up In Philadelphia and The Countryside®

**PHILADELPHIA, March 25, 2019** – Big-name hotels are opening in Philadelphia—a sky-high **Four Seasons,** a dual complex of a **W** and **Element**—while just-in-Philly properties are strengthening the city's boutique stock. Altogether, 16 new hotels are unlocking 2,700 new rooms in the city and surrounding four counties. All this new lodging comes at a time of high visitor demand: In 2018, Center City hotel demand grew 5.6% year-over-year, the largest growth in demand in seven years.

So, what else is coming? An ultra-efficient, 250-room micro hotel (**Pod Philly**) and a 14-room boutique hotel and private lifestyle club (**Fitler Club**), a historic New Hope redo (**Ghost Light Inn**) and more new properties in Philadelphia and The Countryside. Here's a look at the hotels opening through 2020:

## **Just Opened:**

- 1. **Lokal Fishtown** Following the stylish formula it established in Old City, the Lokal in Fishtown operates with an "invisible service" boutique model. Guests receive highly customized concierge guidance without a front desk. staylokal.com
  - Completed: January 2019Developer: Stay Lokal

• Units: 6

• Location: 1421 N. Front Street, Fishtown

## Coming In 2019:

- 2. **Fitler Club** This boutique hotel and members-only pool- and bowling alley-equipped lifestyle club will give new life to the former Marketplace Design Center. **fitlerclub.com** 
  - Expected Completion: March 2019

• Developer: David Gutstadt

Rooms: 14

• Location: 2400 Market Street, Center City West

- 3. **Holiday Inn & Suites Philadelphia W Drexel Hill Hotel** On the edge of Philadelphia's Drexel Hill neighborhood, this Holiday Inn & Suites will include an onsite restaurant, Starlight, complete with an outdoor beer garden, along with a fitness center and heated outdoor pool. ihg.com
  - Expected Completion: May 2019
  - Developer: Drexelbrook Associates

Rooms: 98

Location: 5400 Ferne Boulevard, Drexel Hill

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4. **Candlewood Suites Chester – Airport Area** – Each of these pet-friendly suites will feature a spacious kitchen with a stovetop, dishwasher and full-size refrigerator. Guests enjoy close proximity to the Philadelphia Union's home field at Talen Energy Stadium—just a five-minute drive away—and an outdoor grilling area in the hotel courtyard. ihg.com

• Expected Completion: June 2019

• Developer: Sunset Hotel Group

• Suites: 89, including six accessible rooms

• Location: 351 Welsh Street, Chester

 Homewood Suites by Hilton Horsham Willow Grove – This four-story hotel will feature oneand two-bedroom suites with fully equipped kitchens, along with an indoor pool. homewoodsuites3.hilton.com

• Expected Completion: September 2019

• Developer: Horsham Hotel LP

• Rooms: 112

• Location: 720 Blair Mill Road, Horsham

6. **Four Seasons Hotel Philadelphia** – Guests arrive to the hotel's sky lobby on the 60<sup>th</sup> floor of the Comcast Technology Center via high-speed elevators. From there, they can ease into their stay with a wellness trip to the spa, fitness facility and infinity pool on the 57<sup>th</sup> floor. Restaurants helmed by award-winning chefs Jean-Georges Vongerichten and Greg Vernick will draw both nearby and visiting culinary enthusiasts. fourseasons.com

• Expected Completion: Summer 2019

• Developer: Comcast/Liberty Property Trust

• Rooms: 219

• Location: One N. 19th Street, Center City

7. **Ghost Light Inn** – Next door to the Bucks County Playhouse, this historic site—formerly the Playhouse Inn—will be revitalized this summer. The building will connect to the brand-new riverwalk, featuring some of New Hope's best views of the Delaware River. visitbuckscounty.com

• Expected Completion: Summer 2019

• Developer: Bridge Street Foundation, Mills + Schnoering Architects, LLC

• Rooms: 15

• Location: 50 S. Main Street, New Hope

8. **Tru by Hilton Audubon–Valley Forge** – Vibrant, affordable, comfortable rooms comprise this hotel, located seven miles from the King of Prussia Mall, the largest shopping mall on the East Coast. audubonvalleyforge.trubyhilton.com

• Expected Completion: October 2019

• Developer: Audubon Land Development

• Rooms: 121

• Location: 825 Forge Avenue, Audubon

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- 9. **Home2 Suites by Hilton** Delaware County's newest hotel will offer 70,000 square feet of extended-stay suites with full kitchens. Guests will be able to get a workout and wash clothes in Spin2Cycle, the hotel's combination laundry and fitness area. home2suites3.hilton.com
  - Expected Completion: Fall 2019
  - Developer: Roch Capital Inc.
  - Rooms: 109
  - Location: 75 Applied Bank Boulevard, Glen Mills
- 10. **Pod Philly** The micro-hotel pioneer arrives in town via an efficient, 11-story Rittenhouse Square building. Philadelphia restaurateurs Greg Root and Michael Kennedy will operate a first-floor restaurant, coffee shop and rooftop restaurant and bar. thepodhotel.com
  - Expected Completion: September 10, 2019
  - Developer: Modus Hotels & Parkway Corporation
  - Rooms: 252
  - Location: 31 S. 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Rittenhouse Square
- 11. **Home2 Suites by Hilton Ridley Park Philadelphia Airport South** With more than 100 suites, this extended-stay hotel will cater to both business and leisure travelers. home2suites3.hilton.com
  - Expected Completion: December 2019
  - Developer: 145 Stewart Partners
  - Rooms: 113
  - Location: 145 S. Stewart Avenue, Ridley Park
- 12. **MainStay Suites/Ascend Hotel Collection** Locally inspired artwork will bring the city inside the hotel, and guests who still want a workout after traversing the walkable surrounding city area can pop into the fitness center. choicehotels.com/mainstay
  - Expected Completion: Winter 2019
  - Developer: Landmark Property Group
  - Suites: 118
  - Location: 917 Arch Street, Chinatown

## Slated for 2020:

- 13. **W Philadelphia and Element Philadelphia** It took a full 24 hours to pour the concrete for each floor of this 52-story, dual-hotel complex. Each floor looks a little different than any of the others. hotel-development.marriott.com
  - Expected Completion: Early 2020
  - Developer: Chestlen Development
  - Rooms: 295 in the W Philadelphia, 460 in the Element Philadelphia (755 total)
  - Location: 15<sup>th</sup> & Chestnut Streets, Center City
- 14. **WoodSpring Suites** The 48,000-square-foot site of this extended-stay concept will feature fully equipped kitchens and a small exercise room. woodspring.com
  - Expected Completion: Early 2020
  - Developer: Brookwood Hotels
  - Rooms: 122
  - Location: Montgomery County, 101 Lee Drive, Plymouth Meeting

15. **The Hyatt Centric Hotel** – This 13-story new construction promises a large, rustic modern hotel. An outdoor terrace and onsite underground parking will complement the hotel's proximity to Rittenhouse Row's shops, restaurants, boutiques, galleries and bars. hyatt.com

• Expected Completion Date: Mid-2020

• Developer: DAS Architects

• Rooms: 322

• Location: 17<sup>th</sup> & Chancellor Streets, Center City

16. **Live! Hotel & Casino Philadelphia** – This long-awaited complex will bring Philadelphia its second casino within city limits, near South Philadelphia's trio of sports arenas. The \$700 million, 1.5 million square-foot hotel and casino will have 2,200 slots, more than 150 table games and more than 200 hotel rooms. livecasinohotelphilly.com

Expected Completion: December 2020Developer: The Cordish Companies

• Rooms: 200+

• Location: 900 Packer Avenue, South Philadelphia

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