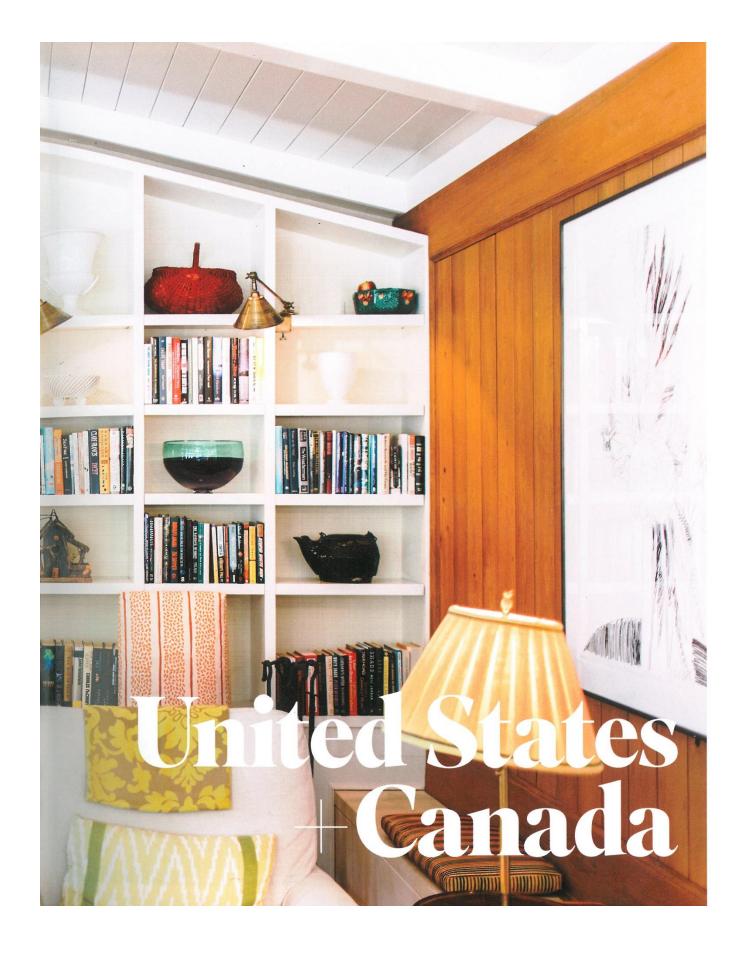
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The Big Apple is undergoing yet another hotel building boom, with a wave of openings across the city, from leafy Greenwich Village to skyscraper-packed midtown. Historic refurbishments; glitzy towers; high-end boutique properties—here, our list of Manhattan's most exciting arrivals.



■ The Marlton

Hip hotelier Sean MacPherson's urbane inn has a rich literary past: Jack Kerouac and Lenny Bruce were once guests at the former Greenwich Village flophouse. Behind the original brick façade, weathered herringbone floors line a library filled with Beat novels, and the 107 diminutive rooms most a snug 150 square feet-have ornate moldings and lighting fixtures that pay homage to the early-20th-century industrial designer Serge Mouille. Thoughtful details, such as products from Provençal perfumer Côté Bastide, complete the picture.

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