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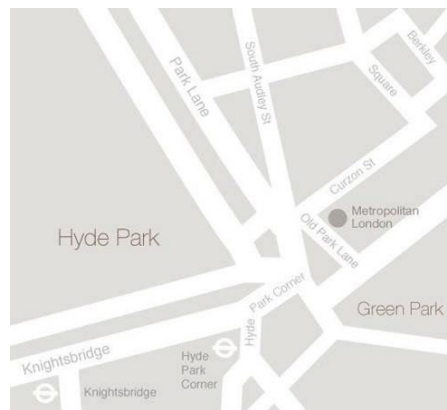
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Opening Date: February 1997

Managing Director: Rory Slater

Interior Designer: 1997 Original design by Keith Hobbs and Linzi Coppick, United Designers
2006 Soft refurbishment by Linzi Coppick, Forme UK
2015 Refurbishment of bedrooms, suites and lobby by Linzi Coppick, Forme UK
2019 Refurbishment of Brick Street Residences
2022 Refurbishment of Hertford Street Residences

Location: Mayfair, Central London, within easy walking distance of Piccadilly Circus, Bond Street, Knightsbridge and Oxford Street





Getting there:

Heathrow airport is a 45-minute car journey, or 15 minutes by train (heathrowexpress.com) from Paddington Station before an additional 15 minutes by taxi.

Gatwick Airport is served by the Gatwick Express train (gatwickexpress.co.uk), which takes 35 to 40 minutes to get to Victoria Station, a 10-minute taxi ride from the hotel.

Accommodations:

144 rooms and suites, including:

4 City Rooms: These are not available to the public but reserved for a select group of corporate accounts. (29 sqm)

45 Deluxe City Rooms: Long mirrors adorn the walls, making the already large space expand around you. The king-size beds seem to float above the light tones of the carpets. Views of Mayfair and London's landmarks seep in through the large windows as you relax into a curved mikado yellow armchair, with windows dressed in elegant silver striped curtains. There is a large work area in a pale walnut, and a modern bathroom in cream stone tiles. (29sq m)

35 Metropolitan City Rooms: Metropolitan City Rooms have been designed with tranquillity in mind. Views of Mayfair and London's landmarks seep in through the large windows while remote-controlled blinds and silk curtains keep the bustling city at bay. A well-appointed living area with ample desk space, bespoke king-size beds and generous bathrooms add to the sense of contemporary comfort. (33sq m)

Metropolitan City Rooms can interconnect.

30 Metropolitan Park Rooms: Our signature rooms offer panoramic views across the 350 acres of Hyde Park — with an abundance of light hard to match at other hotels. Many of the rooms have balconies, framed with silk curtains patterned with stripes of burnt umber, silver and gold. Beds are available as king-size or twins. White flatscreen televisions blend subtly into the walls, above long American walnut desks. (33sq m)

Metropolitan Park Rooms can interconnect with Park Suites.



9 Junior Park Suites: Through floor-to-ceiling windows, London floods into these suites, filling the space with natural hues and textures of sycamore timbers. The open plan space features mocha chenille upholstery matching the soothing tones of the room, and a white ceramic pendant lamp that adds a sense of domesticity. A contemporary B&B Italia sofa is your spot to unwind, alone or with family, in front of the television. (35sq m)

3 Junior City Suites: Our three Junior City Suites, with views of Mayfair and London's landmarks permeate into these loft-like suites, providing a sense of the character that comes from our park Lane location. An open-plan suite, boasting cantilevered walnut desks and our intuitive media hub, makes city living easy, generous bathrooms including dual basins. (44sq m)

7 City Suites: Our City Suites, with views of Mayfair and London's landmarks, are furnished with pale and dark contrasts between soft furnishings and natural timbers, giving you the feel of your own apartment within the heart of the city. With a separate bedroom and living room, these large spaces have an L-shaped sofa as your relaxation area, and space for intimate in-room dining. A generous bathroom features both a walk-in shower and separate bath tub. (44sq m)

8 Park Suites: Step into a spacious and stylishly appointed one- bedroom suite, where bedroom and living areas are separated by a fret-cut patterned door. The room's elegantly lit silver and wood accents are flushed with light through floor-to-ceiling windows, offering a dynamic panorama of London's lush Hyde Park — where the swirl of traffic allows you to feel the pace of the capital without being consumed by it. A large comfortable sofa begs you to relax amidst the rooms gentle, earthy tones, while bathrooms feature creamy stone interiors. (47sq m)

1 Metropolitan Suite: Situated on the ninth floor, the Metropolitan Suite is the perfect confluence between luxury apartment living and five-star hotel service. Peppered with the outstanding design and amenities of the other rooms and suites, this spacious suite also features a dining table for four — meaning you can host intimate dinners or small meetings. A floor to ceiling mirrored sliding door opens open up to your bedroom, where your king-size bed appears to float on a timber base, off-set by the velvety barley yellow headboard and bronzed mirrors at either side. Large TV's feature in both rooms. Practicality blends with aesthetic, with a traditional tambour cleverly shrouding a space for luggage storage, while a



Hampton sofa by Morgan encourages relaxation. A separate guest washroom is located near the entrance to the suite. (53sq m)

1 Penthouse Suite: As soon as you step onto the oak timber floor of the Penthouse Suite — our luxurious 10th floor accommodation — your eyes will be drawn to the expansive windows, opening up your living area and bedroom to glorious parkland, Park Lane and the city beyond. The separate bedroom, which benefits from extensive wardrobe space and a dressing area, is complemented by an inviting lounge area with a COMO coffee table and Hampton sofa by Morgan, as well as cord-upholstered armchairs to sink into late in the day. A dining room and separate guest bathroom are also featured, giving you a true sense of a private residence within the hotel. (77sq m)

The Penthouse Suite has the ability to interconnect with a Junior Park Suite and/or a Metropolitan City Room, creating a two- or three- bedroom suite ideal for families or friends travelling together. Connecting rooms also allows for the dining areas to be extended.

1 COMO Suite: The COMO Suite is the pinnacle of COMO living, reflecting the clean, pared-back style that is our hallmark. The suite floor is in oak, spreading out across the sitting room, bedroom, pantry and dining area, highlighted with a bespoke rug by Kappa Lambda. The wall of windows, commanding spectacular views of London's Hyde Park, are dressed with both a continuous voile drape as well as blinds. The dining space, with room for six people, is complemented by a pantry featuring a sink, dishwasher, oven, induction hob and fridge. The relaxation zone features Hampton sofas by Morgan (two two-seaters and one three-seater sofa) and a wall-mounted 60" television. The bespoke king-size bed, draped with Egyptian cotton, is the centrepiece of a grand bedroom. (110sq m)

The elegance and space offered by the COMO Suite represents the best that London has: skyline views of Hyde Park from a city centre sanctuary wrapped in COMO's sleek, contemporary approach to hotel living.

There is the ability to create 35 twin bed rooms.



Room Facilities:

Bespoke king-size beds with mattress protectors and comforters
400-thread count Egyptian cotton sheets
Complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi and hardwire internet
Discreet hospitality units, mini bars and Nespresso machines
Touchscreen controls
Touchscreen controlled curtains and blinds
COMO Shambhala amenities
Controllable lighting
Rainfall showers
Expansive windows with views of Hyde Park or Mayfair
Fret cut-panel bespoke artwork
International multi-region plugs sockets
Climate control
In-room yoga mat with unique yoga channel
Hairdryer
In-room safe
All suites have additional benefit of a larger personal bar and living space

Guest Services:

24-hour room service
Complimentary access to COMO Shambhala Metropolitan London
Gym
Concierge service
IT Butler
Travel and tour assistance
Limousine service
Valet parking
Foreign exchange
Personal shopping assistance
Multilingual hotel staff
Laundry, dry cleaning and pressing services
Daily maid service
Express check-out
Complimentary Wi-Fi
Complimentary digital newspapers and magazines



- Breakfast Room:** 'The White Room,' also used as private reception room for 80 people, or private dining for 60 people
- Restaurant:** 'Labombe by Trivet': a bold, wine-forward restaurant from the team behind Trivet. 'Nobu': featuring award-winning Japanese-Peruvian cuisine.
- Dining Options:** Breakfast ('The White Room'), lunch and dinner ('Labombe by Trivet' or 'Nobu') with 24-hour room service menu. Lighter lunch and evening options are available in the hotel lobby (including COMO Shambhala Cuisine).
- Guest Wellbeing:** COMO Shambhala Metropolitan London
- Treatments:** Asian-inspired holistic therapies developed by COMO Shambhala. Includes reflexology, reiki, acupuncture, massage and facials treatments also available in-room upon request
- Spa facilities:** COMO Shambhala Metropolitan London, including:
Six treatment rooms (two couple rooms)
Steam rooms
Gym
- Events/ Meetings:** Four events spaces accommodating up to 80 people
Suites for small meetings
Dedicated group and event manager



Residences:

19 COMO Metropolitan London Residences, located adjacent to hotel:

- Brick Street (10 two-bedroom residences)
- Hertford Street (eight two-bedroom residences and one four-bedroom penthouse)

Amenities at all Residences include:

- Encrypted, highspeed Wi-Fi 6
- Air conditioning for year-round comfort
- 50 to 75-inch TVs with Chromecast abilities, allowing guests to stream content from their devices
- Bose sound systems in every room; our Music Concierge has curated playlists for your stay

Guest Service at all Residences includes:

- 24-hour room service
- Complimentary access to COMO Shambhala Metropolitan London and gym
- Well-connected concierge
- IT butler
- Travel and tour assistance
- Limousine service
- Foreign exchange
- Personal shopping assistance
- Multilingual hotel staff
- Laundry, dry cleaning and pressing services
- Shoe shine service
- Housekeeping service three times a week
- Express check-in and check-out
- Wi-Fi access

Room Rates:

To view rates, as well as COMO Metropolitan London's boutique hotel offerings, including current packages and promotions, please visit comohotels.com/london/como-metropolitan-london

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Resort Synopsis: COMO Metropolitan London

In February 1997, COMO Hotels and Resorts – the name behind private island resorts like COMO Parrot Cay in the Turks and Caicos, and adventure retreats like COMO Uma Ubud, Bali and COMO Uma Paro, Bhutan – opened COMO Metropolitan London. It is the company's original Metropolitan property (the second opened in Bangkok in 2003). London's iconic Metropolitan continues to evolve as guests' expectations change. Our commitment to a true luxury travel experience has seen us undertake a significant investment programme.

The hotel is located on one of the most significant thoroughfares in London – Park Lane, where it joins Hyde Park Corner. The city's most glamorous neighbourhoods are moments away, including Mayfair, Knightsbridge and Piccadilly. All signature suites overlook lush Hyde Park to the east of the property, which brings a sense of nature to the city. Heathrow airport is a 45-minute car journey, or 15 minutes by train. Gatwick operates from nearby Victoria station.

When it opened in 1997 it was among the capital's first hotels to embrace a contemporary design vision. The core philosophy? To strip back the non-essential elements of a traditional English hotel, creating something cool but accessible, sophisticated and warm. Linzi Coppick of London-based Forme UK, who previously worked with Keith Hobbs (United Designers, London) on the Metropolitan's original interiors, has revitalised the internal spaces with fresh palettes of natural hues and textures to complement neighbouring Hyde Park, whilst retaining the hotel's timeless soul and ethos.

On the ground floor, the lobby has been sensitively restored to create an informal, versatile space where guests can wait, meet and relax. The palette is influenced by the natural beauty found within the flora of Hyde Park in shades of green and berry complemented by rich walnut timber in both burr and crown. Intimacy is created with high back chairs and large retro-style solid walnut hoops hanging from the ceiling — dividing the space into more secluded areas. Lush tamarind green carpets are inset in natural Italian radica stone. An eclectic mix of contemporary furniture has been sourced from the UK and Italy, including tables of varying heights, some with Emperador marble inserts.

The iconic sculptural clock has been retained, enhanced with luxurious walnut panelling. A slot window creates a perfect recess for a linear fire with a view through to an elegant water table. The new reception desk sits just in front of a distressed two-tone leather-panelled alcove, complete with an etched mirror central niche for innovative flower displays.

American walnut and sycamore timbers are seen on the entrance to all 144 accommodation spaces, with room numbers engraved on door panels. The pale and dark timbers also appear with subtly illuminated fret cut artwork panels. The pattern within these panels is another aspect inspired by the park's natural elements.

A traditional tambour cleverly shrouds a zone for luggage, allowing guests to hide their belongings. The room safe is ergonomically positioned for guest's usage, with top access for practicality. A large expanse of cantilevered walnut veneer below a state of the art television forms an elegant work



space. At the far end and away from direct view is the 'hospitality zone', complete with mini bar and espresso machine.

A luxurious Frette-clad king size bed appears to float on a timber base. The crisp white linen is offset by a velvety golden lime headboard placed within a dark timber frame. Ledges inset with etched bronze mirror to either side of the bed are a perfect place for all the necessities.

An oversized window seat, upholstered in mochachenille, allows guests to recline as they observe Hyde Park or watch television. The introduction of a large sculptural ceramic pendant lamp adds domesticity to the scale of the room. Roller blinds and curtains open and close at the touch of a button.

Technology has been introduced throughout. State-of-the-art telephones allow for all services to be controlled from the handset while conveniently located manual controls have replicated functions for ease of use. Internet is available either wired or by Wi-Fi, with speeds of 900 and 100 mbps respectively.

For long-stay guests, the 10 refurbished luxury Brick Street Residences offer space, seclusion, and sophistication for those looking for townhouse living in the heart of London. Our newly renovated Hertford Street Residences which are elegant yet contemporary in style, re-designed with larger, brighter layouts that allow for seamless stays of any length, and full access to COMO Metropolitan London services.

In addition to the design, other aspects of the hotel have helped secure COMO Metropolitan London's iconic status. Service is energetic, with consistent attention to detail. It has flair, its Concierge imparting a level of local knowledge that allows each guest to feel like a London insider. Guests can also enjoy 24-hour room service as well as a film and CD library to choose entertainment from.

As with all COMO Hotels and Resorts, cuisine is a key element of the experience. Labombe by Trivet is COMO Metropolitan's newest culinary addition. A refined yet relaxed dining destination where seasonal cooking is paired with one of London's most exciting wine collections. Created by acclaimed duo Jonny Lake and Isa Bal, the restaurant embodies a philosophy of elegance without pretence. The kitchen, led by Head Chef Evan Moore, crafts dishes that celebrate the finest produce, while Restaurant Manager and Head Sommelier Philipp Reinstaller curates an unforgettable wine experience. At COMO Metropolitan London's Nobu restaurant, the kitchen has become a perennial favourite with both Londoners and those travelling through. It serves an original mix of Peruvian-Japanese cuisine in a combination known as 'New Style Japanese' (both countries use raw fish; in Peru, however, the marinade includes different chilies, types of citruses, garlic and coriander).

For breakfast, hotel guests make use of The White Room, a bright, airy space for a quiet, healthful breakfast, also popular for private dining. The 24-hour room service menu includes Nobu specialties as well as late-night comfort options, like burgers and club sandwiches.

Healthful COMO Shambhala Cuisine is also available from the Met's kitchen. This singular



approach to cooking – using raw foods, avoiding dairy, focusing on organic produce – can be seen on lobby menus, breakfast menus and is also available with room service. For Metropolitan Events, a COMO Shambhala package has been created featuring energising smoothies, snacks and a healthy buffet option.

Providing a counterpoint to this urban energy, COMO Metropolitan London's COMO Shambhala Metropolitan London is designed for guests seeking greater health through yoga and holistic treatments. There is a fully equipped gym, six treatments rooms including two rooms for couples and steam rooms.

Guests can also take advantage of COMO Shambhala's Asian-based therapies. These range from specific body treatments to facials and massages delivered by experienced practitioners who customise treatments according to individual needs. Many of the therapies employ COMO Shambhala products, formulated with pure organic essential oils and herbs.



ABOUT THE COMO GROUP AND COMO HOTELS AND RESORTS

COMO Hotels and Resorts, part of the COMO Group, is a multi-award-winning, family-owned business with 15 hotels and resorts worldwide — each one different to the other but sharing the same core values: a deep commitment to holistic wellness, exceptional nutrition-rich cuisine, and inspiring destinations that honour the spirit of place.

Our city hotels include COMO Metropolitan London and COMO The Halkin in London, COMO The Treasury in Perth, Australia, and COMO Metropolitan Bangkok in Thailand. Our country resorts include COMO Uma Paro and COMO Uma Punakha in Bhutan, COMO Uma Ubud and COMO Shambhala Estate in Bali, and COMO Castello Del Nero in Tuscany. COMO's beach and island portfolio encompasses COMO Parrot Cay in the Turks and Caicos, COMO Cocoa Island and COMO Maalifushi in the Maldives, COMO Point Yamu in Phuket, and COMO Uma Cangu on the Bali shore. COMO Laucala Island is the Group's newest addition: a private island resort in Fiji.

The Singapore-based COMO Group of lifestyle companies is home to businesses that seek to make a meaningful difference to customers' lives with products and services focused on quality and authenticity. Founded by Mrs Christina Ong, the COMO Group encompasses the international luxury fashion retailer Club 21, the award-winning wellness brand COMO Shambhala, our food concepts, COMO Cuisine and COMO Dempsey, the philanthropic COMO Foundation, and COMO Club. This new initiative for 2022 is a one-stop digital platform that connects customers to the different experiences in the COMO Group, as well as partner brands who share our values.

For more information on COMO Hotels and Resorts, visit our website comohotels.com, follow our adventures on [Instagram](#) @comohotels, or chat to us on our [Facebook](#) page..



Key Biographies: COMO Metropolitan London

Rory Slater, Managing Director:

Rory Slater is the Managing Director of COMO London, a luxury hotel brand known for its emphasis on holistic wellness, personalized service, and boutique-style experiences. With over 30 years' experience in the hospitality industry spanning Asia, the Americas, and the UK, Rory brings a world of knowledge, and a personal touch, to every guest experience. Running iconic properties like COMO The Halkin in Belgravia and COMO Metropolitan London on Park Lane, Rory leads with a passion for providing excellent service, and a love for making people feel right at home.

A true hotelier at heart, Rory's as passionate about mixing the perfect cocktail (ask him for his favorite recipe!) as he is about crafting the perfect guest experience. Outside of work, Rory is an avid sports enthusiast, playing competitive tennis and more recently, padel. As a true foodie he draws inspiration from his time living in Asia, and he particularly loves Japanese cuisine.

Linzi Coppick, Interior Designer:

Linzi Coppick worked with Keith Hobbs on the original design of the Metropolitan prior to the opening in 1997. In 2006 she oversaw the soft refurbishment of hotel, in addition to the design and new renovation of both Brick Street Residences and Hertford Street Residences. Now working with Forme UK, a London-based design consultancy, Linzi Coppick recently reinvigorated the design while preserving the quality and tranquility of the original style.



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