



ABOVE: Hotel New York combines effortless elegance with both old and new design elements. MIDDLE: Enjoy delicious meals in the hotel oyster bar. RIGHT: Make the most out of your stay in the newly renovated rooms: relax, eat, drink and use the location as a prime spot to explore Rotterdam.

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An icon in Rotterdam: Hotel New York

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The perfect place to stay or meet when you are in Rotterdam: the nostalgic Hotel New York. With a gorgeous harbour view and recently renovated rooms, you can enjoy luxury and history at the same time.

The building that harbours Hotel New York, is the former head office of the Holland America line. From its location on the bank of the river Maas, many emigrants left the country hoping for a better life in America. You can still feel the excitement and sad goodbyes lingering in the quarters. When walking through the original wooden revolving door and up the wrought iron stairs, it feels like you are back in the early nineteenth hundreds - with a lot more modern facilities, however.

Hotel New York has 72 hotel rooms that have been renovated in the last three

years. "The rooms are modern, but with a nostalgic twist," explains general manager Roel Dusseldorp. "Many original parts have been maintained."

With high ceilings, old safes as walk-in closets and trunks everywhere, there is no denying the building's history. Other highlights of the hotel are definitely the former boardrooms, which have been transformed into luxurious suites. There is even a bathtub by the window, with a beautiful view over the harbour.

The two biggest boardrooms have been turned into stylish meeting rooms and are named after the founders of the Holland America Line: Reuchlin and Plate. Dusseldorp explains: "Thanks to the interior and the magnificent view, the rooms offer a very inspiring environment. They are a perfect fit for meetings with up to 20 persons." The

five other rooms are also worth meeting in: with a different atmosphere each, there will definitely be one that suits your wishes!

Even before entering Hotel New York, you will be stunned by its appearance. Its striking architecture stands out between the modern buildings, and the best thing is: you can see it from anywhere around the harbour. There is no wonder that Hotel New York is an icon in Rotterdam.

Besides sleep and meetings, you can also enjoy an exquisite meal in the oyster bar, an afternoon tea or ride on a typical Dutch electric bike.

Hotel New York is easily accessible by car and the water taxi can bring you right up to the hotel.

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