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These are the best rooftop bars in New York City

Ah, New York. There are few cities in the world that have proven to be as enduringly popular and creatively energising as the Big Apple. Thanks to an endlessly buzzing and an ever-changing energy that inspires everyone from film directors to artists, musicians and fashion designers, New York City's reputation as an enigma that never sleeps is well deserved. But do you know what else the city is famous for? Its incredible skyline and humming bar scene – two things that can happily be enjoyed at some of the city's best rooftop hotel bars and restaurants.

Whether you're a long-time resident or one of the 60 million-plus annual visitors to the city, we're sure you're well acquainted with the delights of NYC's rooftop bars. Outside of the chilly winter season, downing a cocktail on a New York rooftop is one of the quintessential Big Apple experiences, and one that only gets better as the city approaches summer. And with countless new hotels and bars popping up every year, there are plenty to choose from. While we don't want to play favourites, or even suggest this is by any means a definitive list, if you're travelling to New York and looking for the location of your next cocktail hour, consider this list a great starting point.

Mr. Purple at Hotel Indigo Lower East Side
180 Orchard Street, 15th Floor, New York



The Roof at Viceroy Central Park
124 West 57th Street, 29th Floor, New York

