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NEW HAUL

Papeljam's playful stationery is equal parts gorgeous and curious

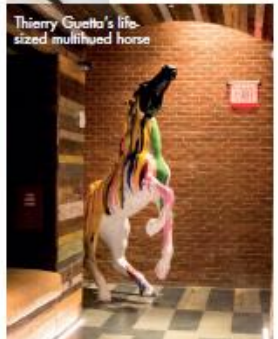
If there's one thing we're unabashed hoarders for, it's beautiful stationery. Our recent obsession? Papeljam's daily planners and hardbound journals. Each bear designs that are first drawn, painted or illustrated by hand, and the label even lets you chip in with ideas so that you can personalise your products. So what's on our desk, you wonder? The annual planner. It's the perfect desk essential. Plus, with its stickers and fun artwork, it adds a bit of quirk and levity to the otherwise mundane task of filling out your schedule. Bookmark this for birthday season.  
[Papeljam.com](http://Papeljam.com)

SEASON'S BEST

Four reasons why Hotel Indigo in New York is on our travel radar

**THE NEIGHBOURHOOD**  
Hotel Indigo screams Lower East Side. Graffiti dominates the decor and the Lobby Bar & Café serves up breakfast favourites curated by popular restaurants in the area. Plus, the concierge knows the coolest local spots to check out.

**THE ART**  
The area's rich art history finds representation inside the hotel too, where works of several notable artists can be found. Lee Quinones's giant map of NYC greets you from the lobby ceiling, and a life-sized multihued horse from pop artist Thierry Guetta aka Mr. Brainwash (MBW) sits at the Orchard Street entrance to the hotel.



**THE ROOFTOP**  
The rooftop bar, Mr. Purple, has been fashioned into a cosy ski-lodge for a holiday pop up until the end of February. We love the champagne bar—talk about major Instagram bait.

**PENTHOUSE SUITE**  
Hip can also be luxurious. So, treat yourself to this room and enjoy the skyline from its sprawling terrace.  
[Hotelindigolowereastside.com](http://Hotelindigolowereastside.com)

TAKE NOTE

Homegrown coffee label Bili Hu's founder shares his top tip for brewing a perfect cup

It's happened once too often: you brew what you think is going to be a great cup of coffee, but the taste is off. Coffee company Bili Hu's got the fix—paper filters. "Coffee beans contain oils," explains the brand's founder Bhat Singh. "During brewing, these oils, the bitter compounds, rise to the surface as a foam called crema. The paper filters absorb these, making the coffee flavourful." So what's this his advice on getting that rich taste? "Brew your coffee using manual methods, like a chemex of caftiere, with a paper filter. It allows the coffee to bloom." We're sold. [Biliku.in](http://Biliku.in)

