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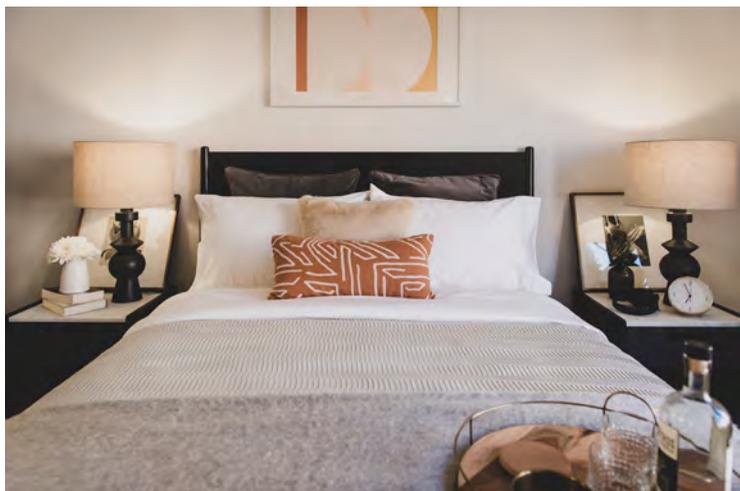
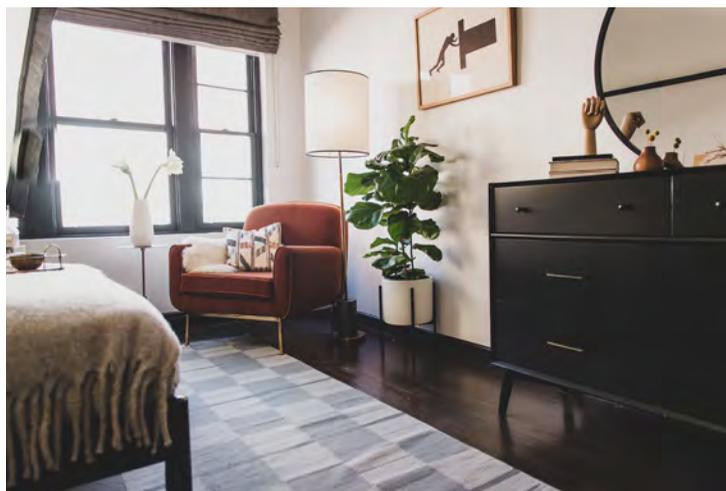
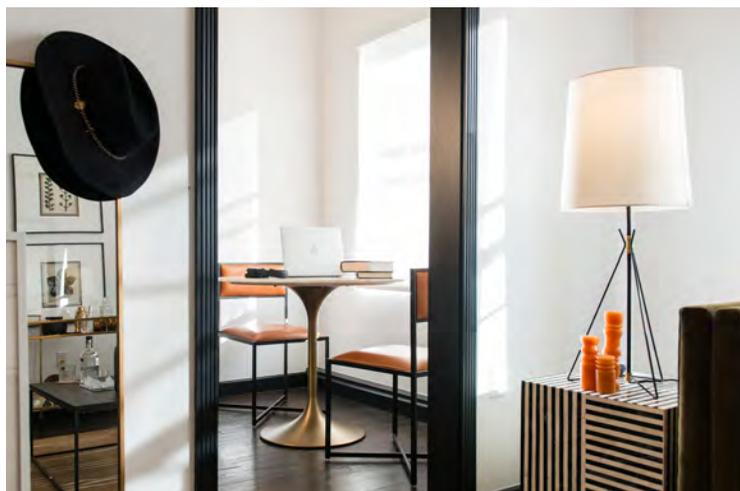
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## A Landmark Revival

Emphasizing design and a sense of community, an iconic L.A. landmark is being reimagined as The Commodore of Hollywood

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Seeing itself as a custodian of historic residential buildings, Wilshire Skyline has had its eye on a one-of-a-kind, historic landmarked property in the heart of Hollywood for quite some time—a Mediterranean Revival-style apartment-hotel known as **The Commodore** that was developed in 1927 by contractor Samuel F. Bard & Co. and architectural designer Lewis A. Smith. Fast-forward to today, and the L.A.-based

real estate management and development company has dedicated approximately \$10 million to transform the notable structure into The Commodore of Hollywood by Wilshire Skyline, complete with residential and hotel-style accommodations boasting modern luxuries and top-of-the-line amenities geared toward renters and travelers alike.

“Our renovation seeks to revive the building’s old Hollywood beauty and truly pay homage to the era in which it was constructed,” says Alan Nissel, principal of Wilshire Skyline. “By breathing new life into the building, we are offering residents and guests a truly special opportunity to experience old Hollywood luxury priced within reach. Our standout offerings, matched with the building’s prime location, are ideal for creatives and professionals who yearn to live like a local and have easy access to every L.A. urban expectation.”

Situated at 1830 N Cherokee Ave.—within walking distance to Vine Street, Hollywood Boulevard, Musso & Frank Grill, Grauman’s

Chinese Theater and Runyon Canyon—the Killefer Flammang Architects and Studio Preveza-designed building is expected to be completed by mid-April. Expect some of the most outstanding details to be preserved (“to give it a sense of being a time capsule,” says Nissel), including an ornate entry portico, molding, arched openings, a decorative stone fireplace and terrazzo flooring.

Accommodations will include 73 pet-friendly residences and nine hotel-style units ranging from 350 to 810 square feet, and featuring abundant natural light, soaring ceilings, hardwood flooring, spacious walk-in closets and eat-in kitchens. The studio and one-bedroom residences will be available furnished or unfurnished, with prices ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000 per month and guest suites available for a nightly rate. Among the perks: free Wi-Fi, housekeeping, 24/7 concierge services, secured parking, a private dog park and state-of-the-art wellness workout center with Peloton bikes and virtual trainers. [commodorehollywood.com](http://commodorehollywood.com)

RESIDENTS AND VISITORS OF THE **COMMODORE** OF HOLLYWOOD BY WILSHIRE SKYLINE WILL FIND A RE-IMAGINATION OF A LANDMARKED HISTORIC BUILDING OFFERING UN-FURNISHED AND FURNISHED STUDIO AND GUEST SUITES FEATURING 9-FOOT CEILINGS, HARD-WOOD FLOORING, SPACIOUS WALK-IN CLOSETS AND EAT-IN KITCHENS INDICATIVE OF ITS HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN.