



Check Out These 10 Beautiful Hotels That Used To Be Historic Landmarks

Before they were stunning hotels, these beautiful stays were significant historic landmarks.

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The Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet, Istanbul, Turkey

SUMMARY

- **Key Takeaways:**
- Historic landmarks can be transformed into beautiful hotels, offering travelers a unique experience with swanky amenities and stylish decor.
- These hotels have a rich history and were once significant buildings like monasteries, castles, or jails.
- The listed hotels include iconic destinations like Fairmont Le Château Frontenac in Canada and Taj Mahal Palace in India, each offering luxurious accommodations and world-class services.

A building is more than just four walls and a roof. Many buildings function as historic landmarks, depicting a story of the destination's past. Once upon a time, these buildings were monasteries, castles, or even jails. Today, tourism repurposed these historic landmarks into beautiful hotels, attracting travelers with its swanky amenities and stylish decor.

Note

These hotels aren't only beautiful, they're full of history! This list includes a collection of historic landmarks-turned-hotels. We've included top-rated stays according to past guests on Kayak (8.0 or above) and one-of-a-kind accommodations to appeal to many travel styles.

2 Dromoland Castle, Ireland



The dramatic gray cliffs Cliffs of Moher in Ireland overlooking the ocean

Before its reputation as a luxury stay, the O'Briens ruled Dromoland Castle for 900 years, until it was sold to Irish-American investors in 1987. Today, guests at Dromoland Castle in Ireland's County Clare (famous for the Cliffs of Moher) can enjoy a 5-star experience, which also includes an on-site golf course, 3 meeting rooms, and a reputable signature restaurant (that was once awarded a Michelin star)! Through the years, the hotel hosted plenty of famous guests, including notable figures like former US President George W. Bush, John Lennon, Nelson Mandela, and Muhammad Ali.

- **Accommodation:** Dromoland Castle
- **Address:** Dromoland Estate, Newmarket On Fergus
- **Amenities:** Indoor pool, Spa and wellness center, Restaurant, Free Wi-Fi