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39-storey skyscraper hotel opens in London's Canary Wharf

Fusing London's Docklands heritage with industrial design, Novotel's new glass skyscraper offers 360 degree views of London

Situated in Canary Wharf, the new Novotel hotel opens this week offering an experience that puts social interaction at its core and brings to life Dockland's history.

The 39-storey hotel boasts 313 rooms, 26 individually designed suites, New York-style gym and pool, nine design meeting rooms inspired by the goods brought in to these docks, ground floor coffee shop and contemporary bar and restaurant with rooftop terrace. With 360° degree views across London, experience a Novotel like never before at Novotel London Canary Wharf.

Guests entering the Gallery are met by an impressive feature staircase which draws the guest to the upper levels of the public areas. Suspended by copper vertical rods and with heavy solid character oak steps, the staircase is the centrepiece to the hotel's industrial design influenced by Canary Wharf's maritime history.

Renowned artist Sam Peacock's turquoise and red landscape wall with a dusting of Arabica coffee grains, stands alongside darker woods, metals and rope adding vibrancy to the Galleria which is inviting to its new visitors.

Quick check-in and check-out is facilitated on tablets with no reception desk in sight. Guests are met by the Welcomers and can quickly take their key and journey up the hotel for their seamless experience of Novotel Canary Wharf. With soft seats, music and in striking distance of Canary Coffee on the ground floor, this is a place where you can feel at home.

Thomas Dubaere, Managing Director, AccorHotels UK and



Ireland, "Novotel London Canary Wharf is a hotel where you immediately feel welcome. It gives you a truly different experience on every floor."

SOCIAL SPACES

Floor one finds you in a serene chill out area for those needing a quiet space to work. Alongside is the Le Club AccorHotels Lounge serving refreshments and snacks for members of AccorHotels Loyalty programme.

Sam Peacock's second creation is another landscape feature wall this time stained in coffee adding texture alongside copper, metals and ropes. These are all softened by mustard fabrics, grey relaxing chairs and a central soft seated area for those needing a little space to unwind.

Nine meeting rooms each individually designed around the commodities brought in from the Canary Islands conjugate off a shared social area. Visit West India Room with dark woods, brass and glass for a quiet space. East India room is complete with a rope settee and an automated dark wooden table. Rooms designed around and named; Crate, Log, Tabacco, Rum, Coffee and Spice nod to the goods from the islands which used to come into this port. Crowning off these then luxury items, is the Silk Room, complete with an oval table and glass chandelier surrounded by a teal silk curtain, these spaces are not for ordinary meetings.

BEDROOMS AND SUITES

Journey further up now through the hotel, to floors 4 – 29 hosting stunning bedrooms and suites with floors 30 – 35 showcasing the executive rooms and suites. No night is the same in this hotel as every view and every room is unique. Focused on the industrial elements of the design blending natural woods, gold, copper and soft greys the bedrooms offer seclusion in this sociable place.

Guests can enjoy their night's stay in bedrooms which include large Flat screen TVs, work desks, LIVE N DREAM comfort bedding and sleek bathrooms to encourage relaxation in the city.



Elegant suites include, in addition to the facilities found in the bedrooms, full range mini bar, turndown service and private concierge. Soft-sofa seating areas, stocked bookcases and in some cases free standing bathtubes and crittal style doors give a feeling of home with supreme comfort and style. The hotel also includes Executive Terrace Suites with a private terrace for entertaining guests or a relaxing space to put your feet up and enjoy a glass of wine.

BŌKAN

Finally you reach BŌKAN. With three levels – BŌKAN 37 Restaurant, BŌKAN 38 Bar and BŌKAN 39 Bar and Roof Terrace, in-house and external guests can experience decadent modern European dishes and sip on show-stopping experimental cocktails with 360° views across the capital.

Anglo-Saxon for 'lighthouse', BŌKAN, stands as the light at the top of this impressive hotel, encouraging people to interact between floors and the experiences they offer. Let one of the baristas mix you a *Royal Captain* with Hendrick's gin, lavender-infused Mancino Vermouth Bianco, elderflower cordial, cold jasmine tea, grapefruit bitters, topped with soda, and enjoy a la Carte from Aurelie Altemaire, formerly Head Chef at Michelin-starred L'Atelier de Jöel Robuchon. BŌKAN is a destination restaurant in its own right with a seasonal menu that offers a relaxed take on modern European cuisine, using carefully chosen local British ingredients.

CANARY COFFEE

Ready to leave after your stay, or running into work, grab a coffee at Canary Coffee open on the Ground Floor from 7am to 7pm serving Climpson & Sons coffee, Joe's Tea Co and Kokoa collection hot chocolate, as well as artisanal snacks, breakfast bites, cakes and pastries to eat in or take away. A free library allowing customers to take a book as long as they share one back is available just inside encouraging social interaction. A terrace outside is also available for those wanting a coffee in the sun – when it comes out! Rustic sacks, leather sofas and brass lamps finish off the space.

Dubaere concludes, "Not only does this hotel have the very best in comfort and style for those staying with us but it also houses one of London's top bars and restaurants. Whether you are an overnight guest or a customer grabbing a coffee and lunch, Novotel London Canary Wharf will give you an unforgettable experience."

Hotel facts

- Number of rooms: 313
- Number of suites: 26
- Number of floors: 39
- Architects LRW and interiors agency KONCEPT
- Number of jobs created: 150+

- Room rates: from £125 per night (Friday to Sundays); from £235 per night (Monday to Thursdays)
- Suite rates: from £250 per night (Friday to Sundays); from £340 per night (Monday to Thursday)
- Height: 127m above street level

- ENDS –

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