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Courtyard Norwalk Upgrades Guest Rooms, Suites As Part Of \$2.5 Million Makeover

Nearby Westport, CT hotel's recent transformation includes new mattresses, linens in rooms; remodeled lobby added The Bistro, media pods and GoBoard back in 2010

Norwalk, CT – When it comes to comfort, the [Courtyard Norwalk](#) knows how to walk the walk.

The Norwalk, CT, hotel's final phase of a \$2.5 million remodel turned its guest rooms and suites upside down to ensure maximum relaxation in true sophistication. The first phase of the project in 2010 brought the addition of The Bistro – Eat. Drink. Connect. and a reimagined lobby along with major upgrades to the hotel's fitness center and meeting rooms.



Visitors will see and feel a difference the second they step foot into one of [133 rooms or 12 suites](#) with fresh carpets, draperies, light fixtures and wall vinyls. New, thicker mattresses with custom comforters, cotton-rich linens and plenty of fluffy pillows will

ease guests into a sound night's sleep, while top-notch amenities including complimentary high-speed Internet, in-room coffeemakers, mini-refrigerators, comfy sofas, iPod docks and large flat-screen TVs with premium movie channels are designed to spoil even the pickiest of leisure travelers. Business executives will enjoy new ergonomic chairs while working at spacious desks with plenty of electrical outlets. All bathrooms were modernized and now boast granite countertops, new showers, hair dryers and Paul Mitchell products.

Just outside Westport, CT, this hotel's refreshing makeover is part of Marriott's commitment to provide comfortable and flexible areas for guests to eat, drink, work, socialize and sleep. That included the complete overhaul of the lobby, where welcome pods replaced the traditional front desk so staff members can provide one-on-one attention during the check-in and check-out processes. The addition of media pods along the perimeter of the new welcome center gives guests cozy areas to watch flat-screen TVs with personal remotes and enjoy complimentary high-speed Internet access. A Boarding Pass Station houses computers and printers to help ease transportation

worries. The high-tech lobby also features a 52-inch interactive GoBoard where travelers can find current weather conditions, get directions to the Maritime Aquarium or historic downtown, seek the latest flight information and statuses at White Plains Airport and check out the day's news and sports scores all with the touch of a finger.

The centerpiece of the lobby remodel, [The Bistro](#), has helped raise the standard for dining with menus featuring seasonal fruits, burgers, pizzas, salads and sandwiches made from the freshest ingredients. The casual, café-style restaurant sports a large communal table, where families or small groups of business travelers can gather for a hearty breakfast or dinner, and comfortable bar seating so guests can sip on freshly brewed Starbucks drinks, a number of craft, domestic and imported beers and custom-ordered cocktails concocted by a friendly bartender.

Other highlights of the renovation include new carpets, vinyl surfaces and furniture in the Norwalk, CT, hotel's two meeting rooms and upgrades to the state-of-the-art fitness center with Life Fitness equipment featuring individual TV monitors.

About the Courtyard Norwalk

The Courtyard Norwalk sits in the heart of the business district and is convenient to White Plains Airport and the Metro North-South Norwalk train station. The Norwalk, CT, hotel boasts Marriott's state-of-the-art lobby concept with The Bistro – Eat. Drink. Connect. The newly remodeled 133 rooms and 12 suites complement two meeting rooms with 1,248 square feet of flexible space, an indoor pool and fitness center. For information, visit NorwalkCourtyard.com

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