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The Best U.S. Hotel Openings of 2017

What were the new hotels that inspired, excited, and surprised us this year? From a Napa getaway with vineyard views to a retro-glam resort set along Miami's northern beaches, these are the 10 domestic hotels—all officially launched in 2017—that had us itching to hit the road.



Thompson Nashville (Tennessee)

Located in downtown Nashville's upscale The Gulch neighborhood, on the same block as legendary bluegrass and roots music venue The Station Inn, **this sleek Thompson outpost** draws from the city's history and creative spirit, while also bringing a dose of contemporary energy. Join the crowds of locals at the L.A. Jackson rooftop bar, where sweeping views set the scene for a lengthy menu of craft cocktails and regional brews. Also popular are the Marsh House restaurant, where dishes are filled with locally sourced ingredients, and Killerbrew Coffee, a daily spot for caffeine and pastries that turns into a coffee-and-cocktails hangout on weekend nights. Spread out over 12 floors, the 224 rooms and suites also mix Nashville heritage and modern design, with rooms that balance crisp bedding, rain showers, and tech amenities with hardwood floors, sliding barn doors, and a vintage-inspired honor bar. All feature floor-to-ceiling windows framing skyline views.