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San Francisco's Hotel Drisco Shines Anew

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Not that it needed it, but San Francisco's most prestigious and charming neighborhood hotel just got a makeover. And like any quality makeover, the results are subtle and understated. The transformation incites nary a double-take or dubious whisper, and instead summons a 'Wow; you look so well-rested,' type of response.

After a six-month closure, **Hotel Drisco**, the quintessential Pacific Heights hideaway and San Francisco historic resource, is open once again, and fans couldn't be happier. The boutique hotel's 'before' shot certainly didn't indicate the need for a facelift, but the 'after' is decidedly

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stunning. The top-to-bottom refresh of the 1903 Edwardian building at 2901 Pacific includes the renovation of all 48 guestrooms and bathrooms, including 16 suites, as well as updates to all the public areas and landscaping. Yet many original details have been preserved, such as Honduran mahogany paneling and columns in the lobby.



The revitalized guestrooms and suites, many with sweeping views of San Francisco, feature serene hues of cream, taupe, and slate with striking pops of gold. All are tastefully appointed with new custom-designed furniture and vanities, carpeting, window treatments, light fixtures, and sound insulation upgrades. Nearly all guestrooms have increased square footage and marble bathrooms feature radiant heated floors, lighted fog-free vanity mirrors, and walk-in showers. Additional enhancements include the beautifully appointed new high-speed elevator, renovated Dining Room and Boardroom, new hallway art and lighting, and updated carpeting in public areas.

“Our top priority with this renovation was to retain the local character and the refined but relaxed ambiance our guests have always loved us for, while weaving in many thoughtful refinements,” says **General Manager John Spear**. “The Hotel Drisco is an iconic property that combines traditional elegance with contemporary residential-style comfort. Our loyal guests consider the hotel their ‘home away from home’ because we provide an unparalleled level of gracious and authentic service. The beautiful building and our charming neighborhood location seal the deal.”



The luxurious Hotel Drisco offers many complimentary amenities such as a gourmet continental breakfast, an evening wine reception with local artisan cheese and charcuterie, 24-hour coffee and tea service featuring Organic fair trade coffee, whole leaf tea and citrus water, chauffeur service on weekday mornings, HD-streaming quality WiFi, neighborhood parking and bikes to borrow for cruising town like a local. Eco-friendly touches include custom glass reusable water bottles, a new state-of-the-art radiant hydronic heating and cooling system, and new double-pane windows providing sound and thermal insulation. Additionally, 24-hour room service is available for guests who wish to stay in to relax and enjoy the comforts of their guest room. “There are no hidden fees or extra charges, which is a rarity among luxury hotels,” said Spear.

Check out the new look, and see for yourself why Hotel Drisco has long been a favorite of visiting dignitaries and glitterati who seek a private, authentic, and memorable experience that celebrates the charm and beauty of our City-By-The-Bay.

Hotel Drisco, 2901 Pacific Avenue, San Francisco