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11 easy home decor tricks to steal from the world's top hotel designers

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As an avid traveler, my dream has always been to live in a hotel full time, just like Eloise at [The Plaza](#). There's something about staying in a hotel that feels superior to being at home. The beds are always made perfectly, the lighting makes you look like a Hollywood starlet, and many bathrooms are spacious enough to live in.

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But right now, many [hotels are closed due to the novel coronavirus](#), and travelers like me are spending much more time at home, merely dreaming about beautiful escapes rather than actually experiencing them.

But rather than just imagining how much better life would be in a chic room in some far-flung location, consider mimicking the very design aesthetic of top hotels you covet in your own space.

We reached out to some of the world's top hotel designers, including Nate Berkus, to learn their tricks and find out how anyone can use savvy hospitality techniques to breathe new life into their surroundings.

And don't assume these are challenging overhauls achievable only by highly skilled decorators. All suggestions below are simple fixes that will revamp your home and elevate your style, from repurposing everyday items into design statements to transforming your living room into an elegant multi-purpose lounge space.

Jeffrey Beers: Up your bar cart game



Park Hyatt New York

The design tip:

When he is working on projects like the Manhattan Suite at the [Park Hyatt New York](#), architect Jeffrey Beers, founder and CEO of the design firm [Jeffrey Beers International](#), installs custom elements like bar shelving with integrated lighting.

If you want to elevate your space, Beers recommends getting a stand-alone bar inspired by mid-century bar carts. "The recent re-emergence of specialty cocktails has encouraged a new interest in bar carts and the design options today are endless," says Beers.

If you don't have room for a bar cart, you can turn existing shelves and bookcases into a standard bar and more dynamic shelving display option. "For a forward and unique look, I would personally organize a grid of cubbies onto the wall, and when lit from the inside, they look particularly cool and fresh," says Beers.

How to get the look:

If you really want to invest in a top-of-the-line option, Beers says that the [Melrose Bar Cart by Mitchell Gold + Bob Williams](#) is a great example of modern cocktail culture. "Brass is the iconic metal for bars and I love it," says Beers.