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## Is this the chicest new hotel in Hollywood?

*The Sunset Tower Hotel has a new sister hotel - and it's just as glamorous*

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Celebrated hotelier Jeff Klein, the man behind the legendary Sunset Tower Hotel, has just opened a new sister property down the road in West Hollywood, 850, and it's the talk of Tinseltown. Yet the 23-room boutique B&B couldn't feel more different from the 15-storey art deco beauty on Sunset Boulevard.

For starters, from the outside it doesn't even look like a hotel, tucked away behind the unassuming façade of a cute, two-storey bungalow with a pitched roof and a porch. In fact, until Klein bought it, the building actually was someone's home and the beautifully designed interior reflects that; the strapline for the hotel reads: 'The comforts of home, the luxury of leaving it behind.' Klein enlisted British interior designer Rita König to give the hotel its cosy touches and she's nailed it – staying here feels more like staying in the holiday home of an incredibly stylish friend than a hotel. The rooms are full of quirky, one-off pieces like giraffe-shaped lamps with marbled shades and bespoke printed curtains, and almost all come with gas fireplaces that roar to life at the touch of a button. Rooms vary in size from a snug powder-blue carriage room with a charming reading nook to a spacious one-bedroom suite with a private terrace overlooking the West Hollywood rooftops.



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The public areas are just as inviting, with the living room being the main hub. Guests lounge around on the mismatched sofas and floral printed armchairs, helping themselves to something from the honour bar or having a nose around in the canary yellow kitchen (this is also where breakfast is served, when the table is piled high with pastries the size of your head and the creamiest yogurt you've ever tasted). A nightly mezze hour with wine and nibbles is served up on the roof deck, which has panoramic views over the Hollywood Hills all the way to Downtown's skyscrapers. There's no restaurant at the hotel but the roof deck also hosts regular pop-up dinners from local guest chefs, who whip up four-course menus under the stars. Across the road, Klein is finishing up his exclusive members club, San Vicente Bungalows, which is set to open by the end of the year. Then there really won't be any reason to go home.



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