

# Women Only Hotels - All around the World

Being EX in the City often means traveling to other places round the world alone. While most working women today are comfortable mixing and mingling with men while traveling wouldn't it be nice sometimes to have a hotel where just women were allowed? Sometimes it is a little creepy when you order room service and a man delivers it. Here are a few women only hotels we have found - can't vouch for them but they are worth checking out



## Berlin, Germany

**Artemisia** at Brandenburgische St. 18, Berlin 10707, Germany - is the first hotel exclusively for women in Berlin. It was opened in 1989 and renovated in 2001. It is located in the center of the town, very close to an underground station. The women haven is on the 3rd, 4th and 5th floor of an old, modernized Berlin building, reached easily by elevator. They offer comfortable rooms and a beautiful sun deck. The changing display of paintings by women artists contribute to the unique atmosphere of the hotel. If you come to Berlin, for business or pleasure, this womanly atmosphere will make your stay a memorable experience. The daily buffet breakfast has a variety of items to please everyone, and is available from early to noon. In summer you can enjoy your breakfast on our large sun deck. There you may relax and enjoy the view over Berlin.

## London, UK

In the 300-room **Grange City** hotel, which mainly serves executives visiting the City, room service staff are women, creating privacy and security for guests who are able to walk along corridors without encountering businessmen.

68 rooms incorporate female-friendly features such as extra-large illuminated wardrobes and a "movie star" backlit make-up mirror in the bathroom, an extra-powerful hairdryer with long cord,

and, for security, a spy-hole and chain lock. The room service staff is female so women can order breakfast and stay in their pajamas

### Zurich, Switzerland

A group of businesswomen in Zurich have opened the first hotel in the city exclusively for women – **Lady's First Hotel**. Designed by a well-known female architect, “Lady’s First” is an oasis of calm in the midst of the hectic city. As a well-travelled businesswoman, Schneider knows what women want from a medium-priced hotel. Housed in a late 19th century building in a trendy district of the city, Lady’s First boldly combines new and old, offers a spacious sauna and relaxation area, and adds simple touches that are often overlooked, but make the difference between a pleasant and unpleasant stay.



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Delhi now claims to be the first Indian city to have a women-only hotel floor at **ITC Maurya Sheraton**. A five-star option for the well heeled, but a welcome move nevertheless. Named so femininely Eva, the floor has women butlers, a woman chef, safety equipments fitted in the rooms and on the floor. For the lady guests' safety and comfort.

The upholstery, the toiletries, the bedspreads with floral prints, the folding ironing board and iron in the closet, the plasma screen TV, the choice of soft drinks and miniatures in the mini bar... all have visible feminine touches about them.

"Lady guests prefer these rooms particularly for their safety. So, we have video phones in each room to check from inside who's at the door. We screen all her calls if she wants it. We pick and drop her at the airport. And importantly, we bar men from entering this floor including the hotel staff. The lifts don't stop at the Eva floor unless you have the room key with you and you swipe it on the lift board," explains Ms. Vasani. For those willing to take a swig after a long day at work, the floor also has an option of a women-only lounge.

The Taj group's business hotel here, The Ambassador Hotel also has similar facilities for unescorted women travellers. The Oberoi, The Imperial, Hyatt Regency, The Grand, Marriot Welcomgroup... all now keep in mind such guests and offer them similar facilities providing a security net for a single woman traveller in an unsafe city like Delhi.



### **Florence, Italy**

In Florence there is a small bed and breakfast just for women. **B&B** is an exclusive bed and breakfast for women only located at the top floor (no lift - 68 steps) of a historical palace in the center of Florence, Italy. With a stunning view of Brunelleschi's cupola of the Duomo, it overlooks a quiet inner garden and is only minutes away from the Uffizi, Ponte Vecchio, Santa Croce, the Accademia, the main train station and air terminal.

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