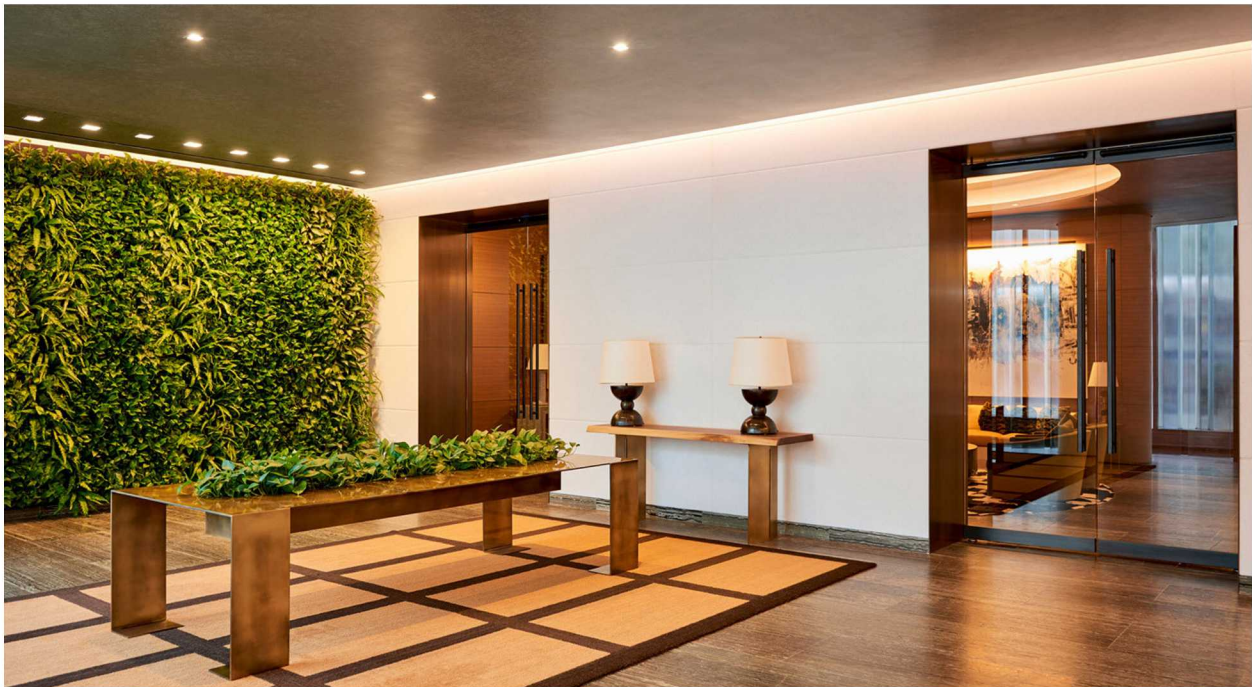


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These Residential Buildings Are Adorned with Living Green Walls

View four residential offerings that reflect a blossoming trend in urban development.

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Living Green Wall at 252 East 57th Street

Interior vertical gardens, or "living green walls," are trending today as never before, sprouting up in residential developments across the globe. In a sweeping architectural movement, concrete-and-steel environments are turning green, integrating large-scale gardens on interior walls or exterior façades to connect city dwellers to nature.

Beyond mere decoration, plants freshen the air and absorb noise, fostering a sense of tranquility and well-being for a more holistic urban experience. The following luxury properties feature unique living green walls that, like the trend itself, will flourish and evolve over time.

Midtown Manhattan: 252 East 57th Street

A 65-story pillar of curved Italian glass, 252 East 57th Street adds a stunning new landmark to the Manhattan

skyline. Cross a bridge over a mosaic reflection pool to the limestone lobby, which is flanked by a floor-to-ceiling living green wall, designed by Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects, and a long brass table filled with foliage.

Two- to five-bedroom, 1,740- to 4,515-square-foot condominiums begin on the 36th floor, with available units including a six-bedroom, 8,140-square-foot penthouse. The expansive Daniel Romualdez interiors flow seamlessly with window walls, elevated ceilings, and corner living rooms for sweeping views of Central Park and the East River. A chef's kitchen, a spacious dining area, the building's 75-foot swimming pool, and the exclusive 34th Floor Club with a 70-foot terrace invite entertaining. Or, retreat privately to the white-marble master bathroom's deep soaking tub that overlooks the sprawling cityscape. (Available for \$3.95 million to \$37.5 million through Stribling)