


# NEW YORK

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## Marrakech Hotel

2688 Broadway, New York, NY 10025  
at 103rd St. [See Map](#) | [Subway Directions](#)   
212-222-2954 → [Send to Phone](#)

- **Price Range:** Under \$110, Inexpensive
- **Reader Rating:** [Write a Review](#)
- **Type of Hotel:** Boutique Hotel

### Profile

Despite the name, the Moroccan theme at this three-floor, elevatorless walk-up is mostly confined to the lobby, where an image of the country is silk-screened on the wall, carpets adorn the tiled floor, and brightly patterned poufs invite guests to squat around low tables. Renovated in 2008, the 125 rooms feature burnt-orange walls, exposed brick, Moroccan ceiling fans, and stained-glass light fixtures—all of which do their best to detract from the tiny bathrooms and windows that face a building a mere foot away. Flat-screen TVs, massaging showerheads, Ecco bath products and plush, European bed linens do provide some in-room comfort, while extra amenities like high-speed Internet access can be ordered à la carte. (Wi-Fi is free in the lobby.) Still, other typically standard fare like an on-site restaurant or an in-house gym are lacking altogether, but this helps keeps the price tag low, and justifies using the room essentially as a place to drop off the bags and hit the town. For a budget hotel, though, there are some nice touches—including a small lobby bar and a 24-hour concierge—which have helped make the spot popular with European tourists and visiting Columbia University parents. — Rob Fischer

#### Pros

Newly renovated rooms feature nice amenities for the price, and the staff is knowledgeable and helpful.

#### Cons

There's no elevator and it's out-of-the-way for traditional city sightseeing.

#### SAMPLE ROOM RATES

Deluxe, \$99-\$109; superior, \$109-\$129; double, \$129-\$149

#### NEARBY SUBWAY STOPS

1 at 103rd St.

#### PARKING

- Nearby Parking Lots
- Street Parking

#### PAYMENT METHODS

American Express, Discover, MasterCard, Visa

#### HOTEL AMENITIES

- Concierge
- Fax Services
- Hotel Bar/Lounge
- Internet Access
- WiFi Service

#### ROOM AMENITIES

- Fax Services
- Hair Dryer
- Internet Access
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- TV