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The 42-storey Manhattan Loft Gardens in east London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park is home to the new hotel, The Stratford, which combines short-stay hotel guests with loft residents. The interiors are inspired by New York's long-stay hotels of the 1950s. The hotel and its community green-space was designed by SOM, the architects responsible for Dubai's Burj Khalifa and New York's One World Trade Centre. The 145-room design hotel occupies the first six floors with interiors by Space Copenhagen. In addition to the hotel, the double-cantilevered tower features expansive living spaces, three sky gardens and two restaurants. Rates start from £199 (about A\$355) per room, per night. thestratford.com



Aman » Kyoto



Opening on 1 November, Aman Kyoto will be the third Aman property in Japan, located in a garden close to Kinkaku-ji Temple (Golden Pavilion). The 24-room resort draws on the country's ryokan and onsen concepts to provide a contemporary Kyoto sanctuary surrounded by nature. The resort is in close proximity to the city's 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The 32-hectare Aman Kyoto site comprises 29 hectares of permanent forest and three hectares of gardens. Rates start from A\$1,386 per room, per night. aman.com/Kyoto

