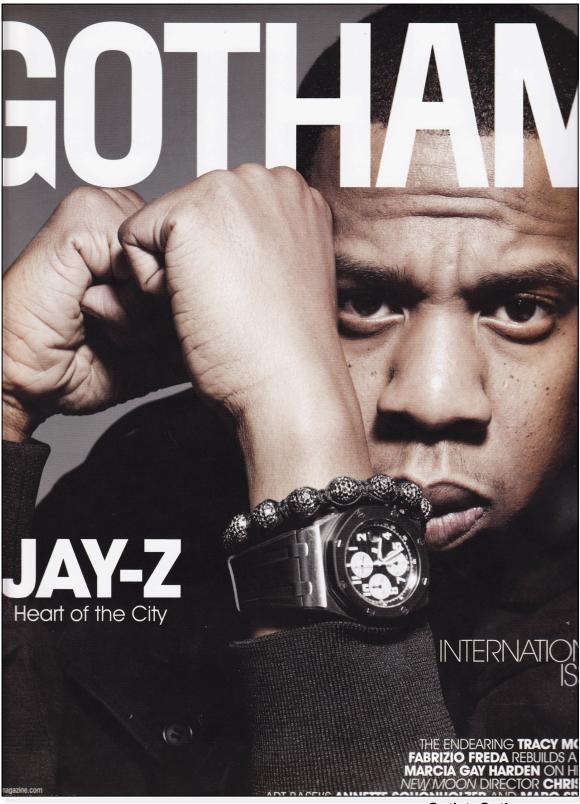
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THE MET IS HOME to masterpieces by Monet, Degas and Cézanne, but nearby The Surrey is working on a classic French collection of its own. The 190-room hotel has reopened following a \$60 million renovation, with new attractions like a lobby lounge by Daniel Boulud and décor inspired by vintage Art Deco and Chanel items—and an armoire stuffed with Cartier goods for sale. The best news for Francophiles: Boulud's Café Boulud is up and running in the building following its own remodeling, and the Michelin-starred restaurant is servicing in-room dining.

But all is not blue, white and red at The Surrey. Designer Lauren Rottet has channeled a chic mix of classic and modern touches for the interiors, including furnishings designed (and then graffitied) by London-based firm Jimmie Martin. The American art of leisure is also well represented, with relaxing new amenities like an English rooftop garden overlooking Central Park and a spa boasting five treatment rooms and a reserve of Darphin and Li'Tya products. C'est magnifique! 20 E. 76th St., 212-288-3700

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