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BOLD AND BRILLIANT GEMS AND ITALY'S NEWEST
HOTSPOT, THE DARKLY BEAUTIFUL MATERA

→ The **New York Distillers Guild's** just-launched website provides a wealth of information on the thriving small-batch distilleries of Brooklyn, the Hudson Valley, and beyond. It's perfect for planning a spirits-filled hop through the state. nydistilled.com

ROOM REQUEST

A summer playground for New England's elite since the Gilded Age, Newport, RI, (about four hours by car from Manhattan; less than two from Hartford) will lure a fresh crop of savvy travelers with the debut of **Gurney's Newport Resort & Marina**. Fans of the Montauk location will find the same mod-nautical style, plus a full-service spa, spacious pool deck, and an outpost of hit Italian bistro *Scarpetta* (opening in May). gurneysresorts.com/newport

RESERVATION REQUEST

Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa welcomes **Angeline by Michael Symon** this spring. The Iron Chef and co-host of ABC's "The Chew" will bring his grandmother's old-school Sicilian cuisine to the casino's star-powered restaurant scene. "I can't wait to be a part of the Borgata family and spend even more time with my fellow Iron Chefs and friends Bobby Flay and Geoffrey Zakarian," says Symon. theborgata.com

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ON GOLDEN POND

The Connecticut hideaway built in 1939 by legendary actress Katharine Hepburn is back on the market following a faithful restoration by **Sciame Development**, an affiliate of Sciame Construction (the muscle behind some of New York City's boldest projects, like The Shed, Hudson Yards' 17,000-square-foot arts space in a retractable glass shell). When renovating classic homes, the family-owned firm prides itself on its meticulous attention to detail. But make no mistake: At 8,300 square feet, the six-bedroom Hepburn estate—on the Long Island Sound in the tony hamlet of Old Saybrook—is anything but small-scale. Following the *On Golden Pond* star's 2003 death, the Sciames swooped in, intending to flip the windblown fixer-upper. But after a makeover that retained many of the house's original details, like exposed brick and pine-paneled fireplaces, CEO Frank Sciame Jr.'s wife insisted they keep it; the family vacationed there for years. (Along with the main house, a 3,800-square-foot cottage that the Sciames added to the property is also for sale.) The price is upon request—but with panoramic water views and the aptly named Golden Pond out back, the home, and its history, can be better described as priceless. sciamedevelopment.com



A shoreline view from the newly constructed cottage at the Hepburn estate



SARATOGA RISING

New Yorkers have a new reason to trek upstate this season, thanks to the **Brentwood Hotel** (brentwood-hotel.com), Saratoga's only accommodation with clear views of the city's famed horse racing track. It's the first property owned and operated by Brooklyn-based creative team Studio Tack, which is recognized for its sleek renovations of run-down motels and motor lodges, like Scribner's in the Catskills. Go for a weekend and you'll find there's much more to Saratoga than the races (sorry, Seabiscuit). Its downtown is vibrant, and the Upper Hudson Valley wine trail—dotted with independent vineyards like **Victory View Vineyard** (victoryviewvineyard.com) and **Amorici Vineyard** (amoricivineyard.com)—is becoming known for recently-developed varieties like marquette and lacrosse grapes.

HAMPTONS

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→ In collaboration with Wellthily, **Gurney's Montauk** offers a variety of wellness pop-ups and retreats this season, like NYC's Uplift Studio, LIFTED by Workout New York's Holly Rillinger, and classes by Under Armour athlete Shauna Harrison. gurneysmontauk.com

RESERVATION REQUEST

When a split between co-owners Gabby Karan de Felice and Maurizio Marfoglia resulted in Tutto il Giorno's departure from Southampton last year, Marfoglia launched **Dopo La Spiaggia** in its place. The restaurant was such a hit, there's now a second, larger location in East Hampton. Open year-round, it serves scallops with caviar, a decadent truffle-stuffed chicken that requires 24 hours advance notice, and other twists on Italian favorites. dopolaspiaggia.com

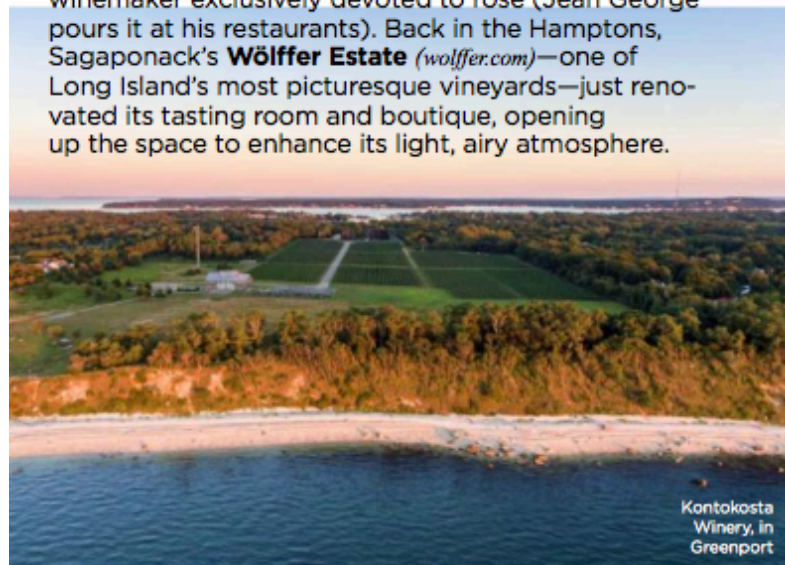
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Sagaponack's
Wölffer Estate

POP A CORK IN THE NORTH FORK

Now is the perfect time to visit Long Island's boutique wineries—before the Memorial Day madness sets in. Fifty-seven of them dot the North Fork and the Hamptons, some with grapevines overlooking the sea. Among the best are **Kontokosta Winery** (kontokostawinery.com), which occupies an energy-efficient building with a lawn that sweeps down to the Long Island Sound; family-run **McCall Wines** (mccallwines.com), in a repurposed horse stable; and Provence-inspired **Croteaux Vineyards** (croteaux.com)—the only American winemaker exclusively devoted to rosé (Jean George pours it at his restaurants). Back in the Hamptons, Sagaponack's **Wölffer Estate** (wolffer.com)—one of Long Island's most picturesque vineyards—just renovated its tasting room and boutique, opening up the space to enhance its light, airy atmosphere.



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HOW TO BUY IN THE HAMPTONS

Wells Fargo South Hampton branch manager and home mortgage consultant **Christine Curiale** shares the inside scoop on getting a home on the East End

Which Hamptons towns are primed for real estate investment?

Westhampton, Quogue, and Remsenburg are hot this year; [they're] the final frontier. Hampton Bays has emerged as an affordable alternative to traditional enclaves, with the ability to create instant equity and value. Sag Harbor is an enduring hot spot with a cool eclectic vibe, and in such high demand it's basically its own market. Southampton Village will always be the blue-chip investment, with proximity to sugar-sand beaches, prime shopping with a hometown feel, and the sophisticated nuances of prime real estate investments. It's also of easy access to New York City and other destinations further east. Across the region, I'm seeing many buyers choosing to custom-build homes. Wells Fargo's exclusive Builder Best program is often a great fit for these folks, as it offers them the opportunity to protect themselves against changing interest rates while they build their dream house, with rate locks available for up to 24 months (with a required, non-refundable extended lock fee).

What's the best time of year to look for a home in the Hamptons?

Hamptons real estate has truly become a year-round endeavor. People come for the light, ocean, and space. The changing of seasons in spring and fall is always beautiful.

What advice can you give to prospective Hamptons home buyers?

Put a great team together: real estate broker, lawyer, home mortgage consultant, engineer, and surveyor. Speaking with knowledgeable local professionals definitely goes a long way, as there are intricacies to buying out here. On the financing side, many people are surprised by the flexible options that are available—some that require as little as 10.01% down for jumbo buyers, without mortgage insurance! Wells Fargo offers several jumbo loan options for the upscale homebuyer, including a recast feature that gives buyers a way to lower their monthly payments without refinancing—after making a large principal payment, your principal-and-interest payments are recalculated.