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DETAILS HOTEL

Gold standard

The purpose-built 143-metre skyscraper in London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park offers short- or long-term apartment living, a 145-room design hotel and indoor-outdoor fine dining at Allegra, overseen by former Chiltern Firehouse head chef Patrick Powell (right).



Sky-high living

Designed by SOM, the architects behind Dubai's Burj Khalifa and New York's One World Trade Center, the double-cantilevered skyscraper features a seven-storey atrium and three sky gardens.

Artistic hospitality

A triple-height entrance at ground level aims to optimise "lobby life" with an all-day brasserie (right) and site-specific artworks by Paul Cockshedge.



LIVE IT UP Since starting the Manhattan Loft Corporation, developer Harry Handelsman has long taken an educated squint at the London skyline and made it his own. He created the St Pancras Renaissance Hotel and Chiltern Firehouse and now he's made over an entire postcode by "verticalising" garden-square living in E20 with The Stratford, the capital's first "community in the sky". **BP**

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