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A restored boathouse keeps Gilded Age glamour alive

Live like a robber baron at The Point, an all-inclusive boutique hideaway on the shores of Upper Saranac Lake in New York's Adirondack Mountains. William Avery Rockefeller built this woodland retreat in the 1930s in the style of the Gilded Age Great Camps—the rustic summer compounds of New York's richest families—and it was later transformed into America's first Relais & Châteaux property. The recently renovated 11-room resort is outdoorsy but exclusive (with suggested black-tie attire on Wednesdays and Saturdays) and features over-the-top suites like The Boathouse, a 950-square-foot space that's newly open year-round (pictured, \$3,600 per night). "I love that the place has so much history," says Westport Interiors' Paige Hammond, who oversaw the renovations. "They've really kept the flavor of how life would've been when the Rockefellers were actually there."



The wraparound deck features outdoor dining and two twin beds suspended from the ceiling—the ultimate swaying porch swings.

L. Post Rustics, local woodworkers who specialize in high-end Adirondack-style furnishings, created nightstands from the paddles, oars, and boat propellers that formerly adorned the space. The old pieces are meant to give repeat guests a feeling of familiarity.



Nautical flags saved from before the renovation provided inspiration for the room's color palette. Signal flags painted on the wet bar cabinet door represent the letters TPR, for The Point Resort.

Newly installed steel-frame windows—sourced from a dealer who specializes in period-specific windows—look out over the lake, a prime location for water sports. (Winter brings ice-skating, ice-fishing, and outdoor snow barbecues.)

Heated floors were installed as part of the winterization process, making it virtually impossible to tell that this room hovers over the water and three functional boat slips.