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left: The Four Seasons Hotel Philadelphia at Comcast Center, with 180 rooms and 39 suites, is the city's tallest building and the tenth highest in the country. **top, right:** Vernick Fish, overseen by Chef Greg Vernick, is a modern oyster bar designed by Tihany Design **bottom, right:** Artistic Director Jeff Leatham's floral art and Brian Eno's soundscapes greet guests.



LAND OF LIBERTY

NEW FOUR SEASONS CROWNS PHILLY'S TALLEST BUILDING

BY EMILY LIEBERT

When you first arrive at Four Seasons Philadelphia at Comcast Center—the highest situated hotel in North America—it's impossible to miss the breathtaking, panoramic views of “The City of Brotherly Love.” The less-than-one-year-old property, which marries state-of-the-art technology, a focus on wellness, inspiring artistry and unrivaled hospitality, was the perfect weekend getaway to celebrate my oldest son turning ten. As a special treat, the birthday boy was delivered freshly baked chocolate chip cookies!

STAY

Located between the building's 48th and 60th stories, the 180 rooms and 39 suites exude modern luxury and feature floor-to-ceiling windows with unsurpassed vistas of the city and beyond. The entire Comcast Center, along with the interiors and furnishings of the hotel, were designed by world-renowned architect Norman Foster. Artistic Director Jeff Leatham created floral art in his signature style found throughout the property. And Tokyo-based teamLab crafted a giant digital floral experience as a modern expression of traditional Japanese painting techniques in the arrival lobby. If the idea of relaxing in a bubble bath as you overlook the greater Philadelphia area delights you, book one of the Skyline Corner Suites. Fun fact: 180 tons of birch wood was used for the millwork in every guest room.

CUISINE

Michelin-starred Chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten has entered the building with his City debut Jean-Georges Philadelphia on the fifty-ninth floor and JG SkyHigh cocktail bar one level above. The French-American chef's internationally acclaimed cuisine occupies an atrium with forty-foot glass walls where you can partake in a power breakfast, a sunset cocktail and a mouthwatering meal. The Maine Lobster roasted with Romanesco Cauliflower, Romesco Sauce and lime is divine! Of course, there's also James Beard Award-winning Chef Greg Vernick's Vernick Fish—a modern American oyster bar with global flavor combinations for lunch and dinner. The Roasted Porgy with jasmine rice, andouille sausage and creole broth is a must.

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top, left: The Skyline Corner Suite includes a table for four **top, right:** Sophisticated dining at the Jean-Georges Philadelphia on the fifty-ninth floor **bottom:** The Cityscape Suite offers views of City Hall and the Delaware River **below:** The fifty-seventh floor has an indoor pool that seems to spill into the sky, a state-of-the-art fitness center and a wellness boutique and seven-room spa for pure serenity.

PAMPER

The Hotel's fifty-seventh floor, dubbed "a haven of health and wellness" is home to a state-of-the-art fitness center in partnership with celebrity trainer and Four Seasons Global Fitness Advisor Harley Pasternak. There's also a 30,000-gallon indoor infinity-edge pool that "spills" into the sky, a wellness boutique and a spa. Signature treatments include the Crystal Anti-Pollution Journey and the Warm Crystal Massage.

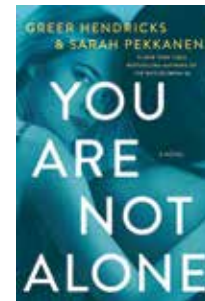


SIGHTSEEING

There's no shortage of things to do in Philly. From the Liberty Bell, the Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute to Independence Hall and running up the Rocky Steps (at the bottom of the stairs, snap a photo with the bronze statue of Rocky from *Rocky III*). With that said, what my son and I enjoyed the most was The Philadelphia Zoo (the first true zoo in the U.S.) and lunch at Reading Terminal Market, one of America's largest and oldest public markets, offering the broadest variety of food stalls under one roof. DiNic's signature roast pork sandwich is out of this world.

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PAST AND FUTURE, SECRETS AND DESTINY. YOU CAN'T GO WRONG WITH THESE PAGE-TURNERS FROM FIVE OF THE MOST SEASONED AND EXCITING AUTHORS



YOU ARE NOT ALONE:
BY GREER HENDRICKS
& SARAH PEKKANEN

This heart-pounding novel is about a down-and-out woman who sees someone throw herself in front of a subway train. She entangles herself with the glamorous Moore sisters, who seem to have it all. Or do they? And what secrets will result in a deadly confrontation?



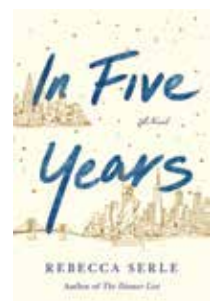
A HUNDRED SUNS
BY KARIN TANABE

Set in the stylish framework of 1930s Indochine, this work of historical fiction follows the American wife of a French Michelin heir. Driven to preserve the family fortune, she ensures that her trail of secrets stays buried. This one is evocative and suspenseful.



THE GRACE KELLY DRESS
BY BRENDA JANOWITZ

In 1958 Paris, a seamstress sewed a Grace Kelly replica gown for a bride-to-be. Decades later, a bride-to-be inherits the dress but doesn't want it. She doesn't know the painful secret that altered her mother's life as she once planned to wear the same dress.



IN FIVE YEARS
BY REBECCA SERLE

Dannie Cohan is asked, Where do you see yourself in five years? The next day she wakes up five years later in a different apartment, with a different engagement ring. When she wakes again, she's back in 2020. Then, four-and-a-half years later, she meets the man from her vision.