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Downtown Portland hotels are enhancing their swank lobbies and gourmet menus with alluring niche packages, where the pampering exceeds all-hours room service and a morning newspaper at your door

Room with a chew (toy)

Your dog will be treated like four-legged royalty at the Portland Hotel Monaco, a snazzy remake of the 5th Avenue Suites Hotel in downtown Portland. This hotel prides itself on pet-friendliness so dog-guest fees or canine-coddling services don't add up on your bill.

The boutique hotel's clerks greet pups with their names in big print on the lobby's chalkboard — literacy not required. Masters and mistresses are handed a doggie-care package with biscuits, food, a water bowl, a place mat (all the better to keep the lavish rugs clean) and biodegradable scoop bags.

The second Friday of the month, a masseuse attends



the lobby's 5-6 p.m. wine hour and offers doggie rub-downs. On the last Wednesday of each month during wine time, a pet psychic peers into your pup's future.

To further celebrate the hotel's pet embrace (there are goldfish in the rooms as well), the new house dog, named Art in honor of the hotel's support of the arts, recently joined the Monaco staff.

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Luxuriate in the glamorous Marlene Dietrich suite with the 8-foot circular bed crowned by a pillow-top mattress. Before you fall asleep at this Hollywood-inspired hotel (the former Mallory), check out the Spiritual Menu and request the Tao Te Ching or the Torah from the desk.