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Image: Alexander Spatari/Moment/Getty Images New York and Los Angeles may be on opposite shores, but that's not where their differences end. The two cities, both media centers, represent very divergent values, landscapes and mental states. L.A. is all about Hollywood glitter, sunny and cold streets of the West Coast, while NYC is famous for its ambitious inhabitants, rising skyscrapers and East Coast attitude. However, residents of both places claim that their respective burgers are the largest. In our opinion, none of the cities is superior to the other, but their ability to enjoy them depends greatly on their temperament and personality. For example, Type A people tend to think that New York is amazing, while more relaxed, social types B consider Los Angeles the most amazing city of all time. Other people are able to appreciate both cities, although there are some people who hate all the big cities no matter what coast they are on. If you're not sure if L.A. or NYC is right for you, you're in luck. Because that's what this test is all about! Let's ask about your daily habits, storage issues, and attitude toward the New Age woo-woo in order to determine whether you belong to the City of Angels, the Big Apple, or elsewhere entirely. Ready to learn more? Let's ask questions! 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Although New York's housing code requires new apartments to have at least 400 square meters of floor space, an exception has been made for the tower, whose units range from 250 to 370 square meters. The code also prohibits entire microcredit buildings, making Carmel Place the first and only of its kind in the city. Photo: Pablo EnriquezThe New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) led the project, requesting the largest number of submissions in the history of the department's official requests for proposals. Seeking to introduce a new type of housing to the city's changing market -- which has seen an increase in one- and two-person households -- HPD chose nArchitects' proposal, which featured what would be the tallest of any modular building in New York City. Using municipal codes as a design principle, nArchitects ensured that the plan could be duplicated on almost any lot in the city. A Murphy bed saves space. Photo: Pablo EnriquezThe units, although small, do not feel cramped. Special considerations have been made to ensure that more than enough light and air reach each microcont: ceilings are almost 10 feet away, and many units feature Juliet balconies. Tenants also have access to storage lockers, gym, shared roof space, bike storage and community rooms within the complex. For the project to succeed, it must prove that smaller apartments can be rented for less while still meeting the needs of tenants. Fourteen units will be rented for \$950 per month to tenants who meet income restrictions, well below the average price of more than \$2,300 per month for studio rentals in Manhattan; eight units are reserved for Housing Support for Veterans Affairs; and another 33 will be set at market value. A rendering showing the modular construction of Carmel Place. Photo: © MIR Here at Clever, we are data nerds, and IKEA is a similar soul of mind. Before deciding to open their first IKEA Planning STUDIO —also known as a city-based IKEA mini—in Manhattan (it opens its doors on April 15), they conducted extensive research into life in the city, according to the company's press release. We were so curious: what did IKEA find out? Amy Singer, the brand's communications and interior design manager in the US, gave us the deets. We are proud to have co-created this concept with New Yorkers through a series of home visits, focus and conversations, he explains. We know that logistics is more difficult in the city, so buying furniture is a challenge. We take people to IKEA to find out what inspires them and where they face small challenges in space life. Here are three great takeaways the survey revealed:1. Manhattan Manhattan are three times more likely to live in a house that has less than 1,000 square meters compared nationally, and five times more likely to live in one that has less than 750 square meters. Given how many AD editors live in studio apartments, this has rounded a lot. A rendering of one of the plans of the new IKEA Planning STUDIO, inspired by the apartment of a true New Yorker. (Please note the pug in the corner!) Rendering: Courtesy of IKEA2. We all feel the same desperate need for better small space storage solutions. With homes being so small, space is very limited and storage is hard to find —they're all amplified if they share their home with others in order to make housing costs more affordable, Says Amy.3. There is a lower rate in Manhattan of certain separate common areas in homes such as dining room, family room or work space. Amy tells us that this creates a greater need for alternative food, work and hang-out spaces, leading to greater functionality needs in areas such as the bedroom. yes, she hit her right in the head. IKEA took all this newly discovered knowledge and created 40 concepts for its focus groups to evaluate. The best are reflected in the new Planning Studio, which will run three floors on a stretch of Third Avenue in Midtown. We use our research on the life challenges New Yorkers face and use real New York City floor plans for studio apartments to build in space, Amy explains. An example of a kitchen floor plan at IKEA Planning Studio, complete with a råskog utility cart useful for extra storage. Rendering: Courtesy of IKEAYou will be able to browse these spaces along with a selection of IKEA products, alone, or you can make an appointment to meet with an IKEA specialist to get some professional help planning your apartment. Instead of going out with your groceries, they will be delivered to your home for a fee —a benefit to us carless Manhattanites. Which IKEA products did the cut? According to Amy, some of the pieces available include the råskog utility cart (additional storage that can be moved easily, she explains), the hennes day bed (for sitting, sleeping and storing — there are drawers underneath), the customizable kungsfors wall system (Amy recommends it for cramped kitchens), and the NORDEN dining table (it has built-in storage plus folding sheets). Sorry, Tax Day. This year, April 15th is all about IKEA. In a world where getting busy, tired and stressed is practically used as currency, it is easy to renounce self-care in favor of deadlines and a social life. As someone who certainly got involved in running away from for meeting or office for dinner and barely getting enough rest to do it all over again, I understand. The point is that keeping a balanced mind and body is just as important as promoting your career and drinking that expensive cocktail. Maybe Maybe so depending on who you ask. So in the hope that you will take more than a few minutes for yourself today, we went ahead and researched the best spas in NYC. Below, find our favorites along with the treatments that are most intriguing... effective. Daphne European Skincare and Sugaring Studio Why we love it: Daphne is a chic and picturesque spa at NoLIta that exclusively carries Biologique Recherche's extensive range of skincare products — including cult (and Ashley and Mary-Kate Olsen)—lotion P50 favorite. The menu features clinical facial and body treatments, personalized and results-oriented. Treatment to try: Combining two of the spa's most popular treatments, Glow is an illuminating facial with non-surgical facial lifting results and a detoxification body wrap (which is said to burn up to 3000 calories). First, a combination of masks and custom recherche biologique peels are applied, followed by a personalized eye treatment and oxygen infusion for an immediate and visible lift on your skin. Then an infrared blanket is used with sudatonic creams to wash toxins from your body. You will notice an improvement in skin texture, cellulite, swelling and stretch marks. Price: \$299 @pratimaskincare Why we love it: Pratima's SoHo spa offers a calm and healing escape from bustling and bustling New York life. The interior is dark, ornate and shockingly plush — covered in brown velvet and wooden accents. Pratima is an incredibly wise Ayurvedic expert who can diagnose you just by looking at you. I've noticed over my years of practice that women today seem to suffer from imbalances due to stress and so-called 'superwoman syndrome', pratima says. Whether it's a career, family, social life or any combination of these roles, women put enormous pressure on themselves, which manifests itself in frustration and stress, appearing on the skin as well as internally, such as premature aging, acne, allergies, dehydration, etc. It is one of the body's ways of trying to dispel negative emotion. And while we can try to mask these emotions, our bodies don't. Treatment to try: the body massage Shirodhara. It's an Ayurvedic ritual to calm the mind. After a front body massage, hot herb oil is gently poured over your third eye to deeply soothe your senses and help relieve insomnia, improve memory and focus and restore peace of mind. Price: \$171 Haven Spa Why we love it: Haven feels so-old but still affordable and easily accessible. Nestled on Mercer Street, find peaceful treats and a comfortable lounge where you can stay between treatments. Treatment to try: Fire and Ice is a resurfacing facial that wears therapeutic-grade masks and botanical anti-inflammatory to clean your skin, minimize pores, reduce fine and smooth lines, soften and encourage skin renewal. Helps hydrate, treat discoloration and stimulate circulation, circulation, while invigorating your mind and senses. It's an unforgettable face. Price: \$210 @lingskincare Why we love it: Spa founder Ling Chan opened her first Ling Skin Care spa in 1984 in New York. Since then, she has developed her unique facials based on Asian beauty principles and works to balance her clients' skin while preventing and treating other skin diseases. The space and treatment rooms are clean, comfortable and minimalist. Treatment to try: Sparkling Glow facial oxygen consists of a therapeutic massage on the face, neck and shoulder to help you relax; an organic apple peel to digest impurities from the skin; and an oxygen mask, which uses carboxy technology to instantly increase skin shine. Our wellness editor, Victoria, says she not only slept during treatment, but also gave her an instant facelift. See, the facial concludes with Ling's Energy Lift treatment, a heated tourmaline gem used to infuse oxygen plasma potion serum into your skin while also firming and contouring. Price: \$150 Take Care of Spa Why we love it: The Take Care space is like an Instagram dream world: bright, minimalist and decorated with plants and crystals. It's smaller than I imagined, with only one treatment room, but what the spa doesn't have in size, compensates for relaxation and effective treatments. Sadie Adams, the founder, studied anatomy, Ayurveda and yoga therapy —which led her focus on regenerative therapies and healing. That said, the spa not only offers essential oils and holistic remedies, but incorporates scientifically proven clinical treatments into its list of offerings such as LED lights, microdermabrasion and facial stem cells. Treatment to try: The Microcurrent facial is one you've probably heard of before—a good electrical current, strategically applied, promotes a healing environment and brings tissues safely to a younger, healthier function. This works in just one session (with additional results after a few more) and left my face sculpted, toned and shiny. Price: \$300 Next: nyc's top five facials. Nyc.