



Eastwind Hotel & Bar Announces Opening in the Catskills Slated for June 2018

1920s Bunk House Turned Boutique Hotel Offers Mountainside Hideaway Year-Round

Windham, NY – [Eastwind Hotel & Bar](#), a 1920s bunk house turned boutique hotel, will open in Windham, New York in the Catskill Mountains on June 1, 2018. Originally known as a retreat for hunters, fly fishermen and other outdoor enthusiasts, Eastwind will welcome a new generation of guests year-round, while retaining the earthy charms of its original iteration. In conceptualizing the hotel, founders and first-time hoteliers Bjorn Boyer, Julija Stolarova, Daniel Cipriani and John Burnett were inspired by the property's past, innovative hotels, and their own travel experiences.

"We are excited to announce the opening of Eastwind and look forward to welcoming guests to our mountain hideaway," said Bjorn Boyer, owner of Eastwind. "We know spending time in nature is a humbling experience, so we wanted to create an upscale yet accessible way for today's travelers to unplug, unwind and connect with friends and family."

Unfolding across a hillside with sweeping views of Windham Mountain, Eastwind blends natural beauty with communal-minded gathering spaces. Guests can relax in the sauna, enjoy a night cap at the Salon's cocktail bar, or cozy up by the fire pit while admiring the scenery.

There are 19 accommodations with four room types for guests to find their ideal travel experience and feel at home. Eastwind's Creative Director, Julija Stolarova, designed the interiors of the Bunk House, Hill House, and Lushna Cabins. The guestrooms boast a Mid-Century electric look with a hint of clean urban design energized by the hotel's backcountry, while Lushna Cabins embody a Scandinavian notion of camping without sacrificing comforts. The decor consists of thoughtfully sourced furniture, encapsulating the sentiment of *lagom* - the Swedish word meaning "just the right amount."

The Bunk House & Hill House: The heart of Eastwind, the Bunk House is home to the main lobby check-in area; 11 guest rooms including two "writer's studio" suites; the Salon, a gathering space to grab a perfectly made espresso or wind down with a crafted signature cocktail; and an outdoor deck, complete with a fire pit on the lawn. The Bunk House floors are

planked with reclaimed wood from the original structure dating back nearly a century, while the walls are adorned with black and white photography. Other design elements in the Bunk House's public areas include a mix of modern chairs, faded Turkish rugs, communal tables, and a Malm fireplace. Thrifted photos of families camping, "how-to" guides on foraging, and a library of curated books will lend a convivial vibe.

The **Hill House** building consists of five ground-level guest rooms. Here, guests can choose from either double queen beds or King beds with sofas, along with a birds-eye views of the surroundings.

Awash in a muted color palette with pops of navy, black and white, the Bunk House and Hill House guest rooms feature custom bed frames with Frette linens, lounge chairs and ottomans by Masaya & Co., and Otis and Eleanor speakers. Textured comforts include hand-woven Turkish rugs, Alexis Sassard custom wall-hangings and seasonal Faribault Mill wool throws. Behind black barn doors, the ensuite bathrooms boast walk-in showers with rainheads offset by farmhouse basin sinks, all in champagne brass finish, replete with full-size Zenology amenities. Schoolhouse style ceiling lamps and bedside lamps in black and brass spotlight varied discoveries in the room, including framed mushroom illustrations, closets wallpapered by House of Hackney with scenes of partying animals, and bespoke apothecary kits.

Lushna Cabins: Further up the hill, guests who favor almost-camping will wander upon the solitary Lushna Cabins, wooden A-frame huts for a more reclusive "glamping" experience. The minimalist structures measure 14 by 14 feet and feature a window spanning one entire wall with fantastic views over Windham Mountain. While simple in aesthetic, each Lushna Cabin is insulated to weather the seasons and offer a comfortable stay with queen beds in white Frette linens, wood chests for storage, and wildlife journals. Lushna Cabin guests have access to their own private bathroom called the Rain Room and a camping kit with grilling equipment to enjoy solo fire pits.

A reflection of the region's ever-changing natural beauty, programming at Eastwind will evolve with the seasons. Woodland movie screenings in the summer, game nights in the winter, and intimate concerts and art classes indoors and out will offer a respite from the digital world. Locavores attracted to the Catskills' emerging dining scene can peruse on-site farmer's markets or partake in excursions guided by visiting chefs. Intuitive outdoor necessities are also complimentary for guests to borrow, ranging from rain boots for fall foraging, snowshoes for winter expeditions, and backpacks for summer hikes.

Eastwind is located in Windham, a two-hour drive from New York City. Dubbed the "Land in the Sky," Windham is a laid-back mountain town overlooked by Windham Mountain. The village's Main Street is dotted with restaurants, breweries, art galleries, boutiques, and a local theatre. Guests can take a quick drive or borrow one of the property's bikes to venture into town. The mountain and its surrounding forest offer world class skiing and year-round activities that run the gamut from horseback riding, fly fishing, hiking and biking, to water tubing,

swimming holes or golf trips, and even day trips to Kaatterskill Falls, Giant Ledge and Windham Path. Opening starting rates for Eastwind begin at \$150 per night. For more information or to book a reservation, call 917-528-0989 or visit www.eastwindny.com.

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About Eastwind Hotel & Bar

Opening on June 1, 2018, Eastwind Hotel & Bar is located in Windham, New York in the Catskill Mountains. The boutique hotel's design draws upon the property's history as a bunk house for hunters, fly fishermen and outdoor enthusiasts dating back to the 1920s, fused with Scandinavian inspiration for an upscale outdoor experience. Eastwind boasts 19 accommodation options including three Lushna Cabins for a "glamping" experience as well as panoramic views, a Salon with a full-service cocktail bar, an outdoor deck, a fire pit on the lawn, and sauna. Open year-round, the hotel's programming brings the great outdoors inside - and vice versa - with movie screenings, small outdoor concerts, farmers markets, and more. Guests can also partake in an array of outdoor activities from skiing and horseback riding to fly fishing, hiking and biking. For more information visit www.eastwindny.com.

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