

FIRST LOOK: THE PENTHOUSE AT 56 LEONARD IS TRIBECA'S CROWN JEWEL

An insane penthouse atop the instantly iconic tower by ED A-List architects Herzog & de Meuron.

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Affectionately known as the Jenga tower for its similarity to the children's game of tumbling blocks, Swiss architecture firm Herzog & de Meuron's 60-story glass skyscraper at 56 Leonard Street in TriBeCa boasts spectacular vistas from each unit's private terrace and amenities like a 75-foot-long lap pool and an Anish Kapoor sculpture at the building entrance. There are only 145 apartments in all, which means that your chances of rubbing elbows with some of the building's famous residents just got that much better.

If you snag Penthouse 57, however, you'll have enviable bragging rights, living above hip-hop artist Frank Ocean, ED A-List decorator Lee F. Mindel, and actor and comedian Keegan Michael Key. For a cool \$29.5 million, you get 5,200 square feet of indoor living space, 14-foot-high floor-to-ceiling windows, and three separate terraces. The penthouse was recently decorated by Jane Saidenberg of Studio D and features a custom kitchen island shaped like a grand piano. Between the views, the location, and the chance of having to borrow sugar from a Grammy Award-winning musician, it's easily the most desirable apartment on the market.

1 KITCHEN



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The grand piano-shaped island is made of Absolute Black granite and has a sculpted floating hood cover and a six-burner Miele cooktop. The Sub-Zero refrigerator and freezer are neatly concealed behind glass panels.

2 GREAT ROOM



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The open floor plan means you can see the iconic New York skyline from anywhere in the apartment, including the spires of Midtown and the Atlantic Ocean. The floors are made of Appalachian white oak, and a wood-burning fireplace helps warm up chilly winter nights.

3 DINING AREA



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The dining table and armchairs continue the midcentury vibe, which feels a lot like a California modernist home in the sky. Outside, the 1,200-square-foot wraparound terrace has space for 30 people to dine under the stars.

4 TERRACE



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Herzog & de Meuron’s cantilevered design means there’s never another terrace hovering right above yours, which allows for better breezes and nearly uninterrupted skyline views.

5 MASTER BEDROOM



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The corner master bedroom has a private terrace facing west over the Hudson River for spectacular sunset views.

6 MASTER BATHROOM



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The master bath features travertine floors with radiant heating, Thassos marble tiles on the wall, and an oversize six-by-four-foot steam shower. The freestanding soaking tub lets you drink in the views of Midtown while you relax after a long day.



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GREAT ROOM

Designer Jane Saidenberg's midcentury furnishings in neutral hues ensure that nothing detracts from the spectacular views out the window.

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