

Great Hotel Finds in the Chicago Area **by Dana Ailer**

As one of the largest cities in the U.S., Chicago hosts thousands of visitors every day. As you can imagine, this vibrant city offers accommodations for every type of visitor.

Hotel Burnham has been named by *Condé Nast Traveler* and *Travel + Leisure* magazines as “one of the world’s best places to stay.” This luxurious hotel is in Chicago’s Reliance Building, which was built in 1895 and is a National Historic Landmark. With rates starting as low as \$150, Hotel Burnham makes a gorgeous ‘home base’ for budget-conscious travelers hoping to enjoy a piece of Chicago’s colorful history first hand.

Just a block from Lincoln Park, Ame offers the relaxing personal touches of a boutique hotel and spa. Guests at Ame are invited to unwind and revive their spirits with amenities such as in-room massage services and consultation with a ‘personal care coach.’ For just \$150 per night, guests in this historic row house will feel like a part of this local Chicago neighborhood.

Located in Chicago’s River North District, the Amalfi Hotel Chicago is within walking distance to the Magnificent Mile, Millennium Park, and Sears Tower. This hotel offers guests an ‘Experience Designer’ personal concierge service, complimentary breakfast and manager’s reception, free Wi-Fi, and 32” high definition LCD televisions. The \$400 average room rate comes as no surprise, given the level of luxury and convenient location the Amalfi Hotel provides.

Chicago’s northwest suburb of Vernon Hills is home to the pet friendly Hotel Indigo. This luxurious full service hotel even offers an on-site florist. At \$160 per night, Hotel Indigo is a great choice for travelers to Six Flags Great Adventure or to one of the many corporations headquartered near Vernon Hills.