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America's Best Rooftop Bars

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For arty Manhattanites (and Gotham visitors who don't venture above 14th Street) this indoor/outdoor space, which opened atop the 18th floor of Soho's James Hotel in 2011, epitomizes creative cool. Lounges around the teak-decked pool offer stunning views of the historic Woolworth Building and the Brooklyn Bridge; artisanal ingredients infuse the cocktails. Small plates from in-house restaurant David Burke Kitchen are equally delicious. 15 Thompson St.; 212-201-9118; jimmysoho.com. —Adam Graham