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Legoland Hotel is the best way to do the Hudson Valley's new theme park

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Talk about making an entrance.

At the new [Legoland Hotel](#) in Goshen, NY, guests make their way to reception by passing under a colorful tower of blocks, a huge green dragon staring down at them from within.

The monstrous entry is one of a number of unique features at the new 250-room lodging that [debuts this weekend](#) and is the final piece of the massive, 500-acre Legoland New York Resort, which [opened its theme park](#) element this past May. If you're looking for a last-minute family getaway, however, this isn't it. A hotel rep said they're already booked up through the end of the month.

"We've been completely blown away by that demand," said Legoland New York's divisional director Stephanie Johnson.

The hotel itself is no average inn. Accommodations, from \$279, sleep five to nine guests, with alcove areas to tuck in the kids. Rooms are heavily themed — choose from pirate, kingdom, ninja, or Lego friends — and children can enjoy in-room scavenger hunts that lead to their own treasure chest. Adults can enjoy a texting service that allows them to easily request things like extra pillows and blankets.



The new Legoland Hotel welcomes guests with a colorful entry.

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In the lobby, there's a massive castle play structure. Handily, it's located a block's throw from the Skyline Cafe, which offers charcuterie boards (\$26) and specialty cocktails (\$15) like the Marrghh-garita — tequila, lime, watermelon juice — for moms and dads. Also nearby, Bricks Family Restaurant serves a breakfast buffet that's complementary for guests.

Of course, the main attraction is Legoland itself and its thousands of interactive models, rides, and seven lands to explore, including Miniland and its detailed replica of the five boroughs. Staying at the hotel allows you to book a package deal and get entrance to the park for significantly less than the \$79.99-\$89.99 a la carte park entry fee. Plus, the hotel is a quick five-minute walk from the park entrance, so after a long day of schlepping about the theme park, the specialty cocktails aren't far.

Check out the cool features of the Legoland Hotel

The lobby playground



There is a giant castle playground — flanked with mini ball pits filled with legos — when you enter the hotel.

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The rooms



The 250 guest rooms (priced from \$279/night) come in various themes, including ninja.

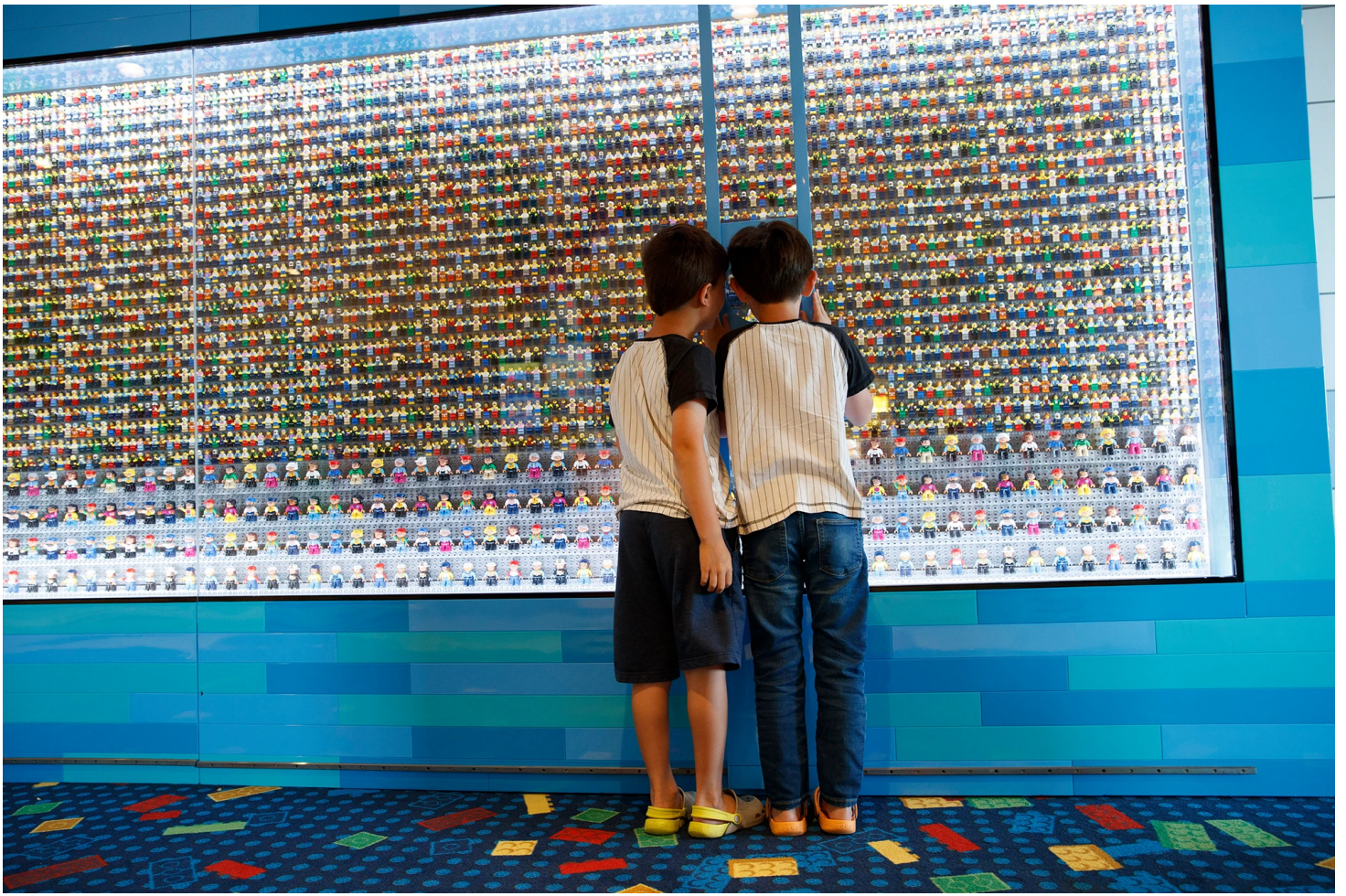
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There are separate rooms available for kids complete with bunk beds.

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The wall of figurines



A moveable magnifying glass helps visitors take a closer look at the hundreds of figurines displayed on a lobby wall.

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The best attractions at Legoland theme park



The Big Red Awesome Dino aka BRAD greets guests at the entrance of the park.

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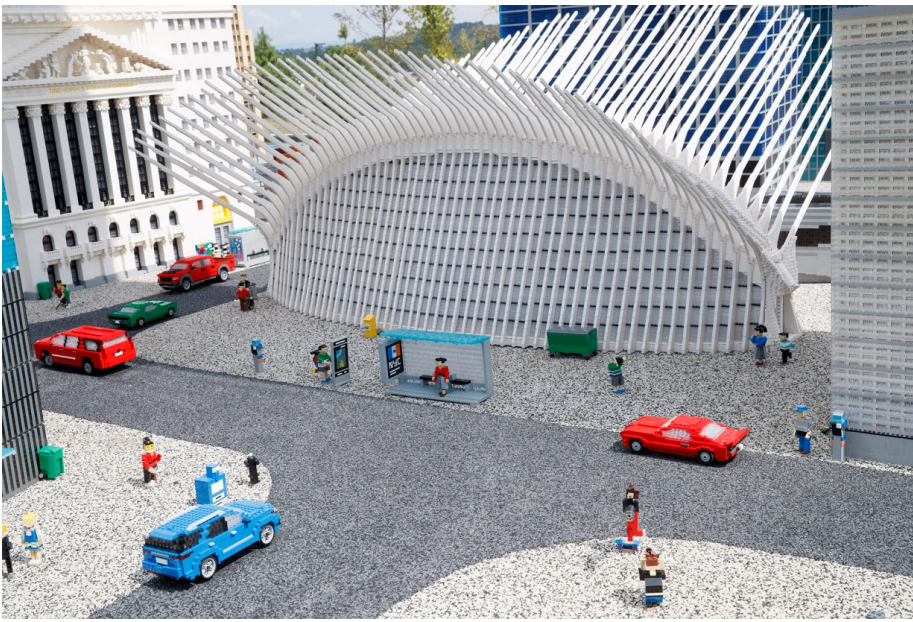
The theme park includes a replica of New York City in Legos. The Empire State building required some 98,000 pieces and 854 man-hours to construct.

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Mount Rushmore gets the Lego treatment.

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A Lego version of downtown NYC's The Oculus.

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The Statue of Liberty and an accompanying Staten Island Ferry are a part of Miniland.

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Visitors tour Legoland New York in August.

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The Dragon Coaster is one of many rides at the park, which also boasts several water rides.
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