

The Hoxton unveils its first Irish hotel in Dublin's Creative Quarter

With a Peruvian-style picantería, sandwich shop and wine bar, a much-loved local landmark, and the brand's first-ever nightclub



Dublin, The Hoxton has made its debut! Marking the first Irish hotel in the series, [The Hoxton, Dublin](#) calls the former Central Hotel home, a storied Victorian property that has been meticulously restored. Set in where else but the city's Creative Quarter with a prime location on Exchequer Street, the hotel offers 129 rooms; an open-house lobby comprising a bar, lounge and Viking-era archaeological discoveries; all-day Peruvian-inspired restaurant [Cantina Valentina](#); New York-inspired sandwich spot by day and natural wine bar by night [Dollars](#); much-loved local landmark [The Library Bar](#); and basement nightlife venue Groundwork. Offering a design-led yet wholly welcoming city centre spot for out-of-town visitors, The Hoxton is also primed to bring something new to and collaborate with local Dublin communities. Sláinte to that!

Lobby

Beyond the canopied entrance, guests are greeted with a glimpse into the site's remarkable past. During the hotel's renovation, archaeologists uncovered traces of Dublin's earliest history, from Viking feast pits filled with animal bones to medieval coins and the remnants of *Dubh Linn*, the tidal pool that gave the city its name, with these findings now thoughtfully displayed.

The front desk is bathed in natural light from skylights, while a geometric, amber-toned stained-glass window filters a warm glow through to the bar beyond. The lobby bar takes inspiration from where else but the traditional Irish pub, pairing oak-lined barbacks, timber tables and bentwood stools that nod to tradition with other natural materials like marble bar tops and counters, and sumptuous leather armchairs and sofas. For larger groups settling in for the evening, booths lined with ceramics, curated books and statement lamps set the tone for easy conviviality and overhead, Lincrusta-style panels and coffer-inspired detailing reference traditional pub interiors.

The lobby lounge is a place for guests and locals alike to take a load off. Low-slung armchairs and generous sofas, large windows with sheer café curtains and limewash walls are paired with panelling in a warm yet muted palette and original artworks by local artists to create a layered, relaxed space. Brass chandeliers, sculptural sconces and

geometric table lamps light the space and a rich mix of patterns, textures and tones across upholstery including bespoke hand tufted rugs inspired by Irish landscapes creates a subtly eclectic feel, with a stone fireplace completing the homey character.

Rooms

Spread across four floors, the hotel's 129 rooms come in the familiar Hox line-up: Snug, Cosy (and Cosy Up), Roomy and Biggy. Inspired by the autumnal Irish landscape, the colour palette in rooms layers warm neutrals with accents of moss green, rusty auburn and deep navy. Tactile textures of velvet, leather and timber add warmth, while bespoke rugs, throw cushions and botanical motifs nod to the building's Victorian roots.

Headboards are upholstered in a geometric stripe with chocolate mohair trim, a pairing that feels equal parts contemporary and timeless. Walls are painted in a two-tone scheme of warm ivory and olive green that wraps onto the ceiling for a cosy, cocooning feel, while brass wall sconces and a sculptural, scalloped pendant cast a soft, ambient light. In bathrooms, seafoam green tiles with a variegated glaze and an oxblood dado line create a fresh colour palette with a vintage feel, and chrome fixtures are balanced with more decorative features like fluted glass light fittings and a scallop detail mirror.

Locally curated artwork (from Irish street photography to abstract pieces) give each room its own distinct character, complemented by the building's original architecture. No two rooms are exactly alike, ensuring every stay feels fresh and full of small discoveries.

Cantina Valentina

Cantina Valentina, the Peruvian-inspired restaurant and bar located on the hotel's ground floor, serves up vibrant flavours all-day, every day, blending the warmth of a traditional family-run picantería with a modern, playful spirit. Bold and welcoming, design in the restaurant is defined by hand-made, natural materials like woven-cane seating, ceramic wall lights, embroidered upholstery, textile wall hangings and textured plaster, offset by a polished yellow-marble bar and brass gantry. A striking mural by local artist [Cadhla Forde](#) takes its colour cues from Vinicunca (or 'Rainbow Mountain') in the Andes, adding a sense of joyful escape, while gallery walls featuring South America-inspired artwork and dramatic pendant lights in wicker, linen and textured glass create a warm, transportive ambience.

Inspiration for the food comes from the relaxed picanterías of Peru, the family-run canteens known for flavourful food and big hospitality. Menus draw on the vibrant food culture of Lima and the wider regions, balancing comforting tradition with playful twists. From the all-day menu, guests can expect standouts like the Lima Burger, classic ceviche and croquetas, marinated beef skewers, slow-cooked lamb, and plates from the grill such as stuffed whole grilled fish to share with aji miso curry sauce.

At the bar, the drinks list continues the celebration of South American flavour with highlights including the house spicy margarita *Poco Picante* (blanco tequila, curaçao, ají rocoto chilli, guava, pink peppercorn), a menu of five rotating pisco sours including a *Guinness & Black Pisco Sour*, and a wine list including a curated selection of South American wines that complement the dishes perfectly, all served in artisan glassware.

Dollars

Sandwich shop and wine bar Dollars brings a laid-back rhythm that moves effortlessly from day to night. By day, the focus is on stacked New York deli favourites with highlights including *Got Beef?* (Salt beef, swiss cheese, sauerkraut, thousand island dressing), *The Hu\$tler* (Dillisk seaweed chicken salad, bacon, lettuce, heirloom tomato) and a take on the classic grilled cheese, *Gold \$tandard* (Aged cheddar, swiss cheese, gruyere, mozzarella) - all of which can be ordered with mugs of soup and house pickles on the side for the ultimate lunch combo. The relaxed evening wine bar, serving oysters and small plates (think tostadas, crostini, cured meats and farmhouse cheeses) alongside a rotating list of low-intervention wines by the glass, will open soon.

The space is industrial in spirit but warm in tone with fluorescent tube lights, timber detailing and a patterned mosaic floor bringing a tactility that offsets the crispness of the powder blue laminate and stainless-steel bar and counters. Large windows lined with café curtains look straight out onto Exchequer Street, making it the perfect spot to watch the world go by.

The Library Bar

Much-loved local landmark The Library Bar makes its return, restored with care and character. Long the go-to spot for a laid-back toastie and a pint in town, AIME Studios' design pays tribute to the bar's rich history as a favourite haunt for locals and creatives seeking refuge from the bustle of the city below. Once again one of Dublin's most inviting hideaways, it retains all the charm of the original, celebrating period details like high ceilings with ornate plasterwork, tall sash windows and an elegant marble fireplace. Bookcases lined with well-worn spines frame cosy seating areas of velvet sofas, leather armchairs and fringed library chairs, with tactile fabrics, soft lighting and traditional artwork creating a warm, easy atmosphere guests will be hard-pressed to leave. For slightly larger celebrations, The Library Bar is also available to hire exclusively, lending its intimate, old-world feel to any occasion.

Groundwork

Hidden below street level, Groundwork will open in early 2026 as The Hoxton's first-ever nightlife venue - a 220-capacity space built for dancing, connection and creativity. Carrying forward the building's long-standing legacy of late-night culture, it promises an inclusive, energetic addition to Dublin's nightlife scene, working closely with local music talent to shape its programming. The design takes a deliberately industrial direction, with grey plaster walls that evoke poured concrete and chrome metal detailing throughout. Sculptural archways carve the club into distinct zones, some draped with chain curtains that add subtle theatricality and create a sense of discovery as guests move between spaces. A backlit bar and carefully placed tube lighting diffuse clean, even light across rooms, perfectly complementing the venue's brutalist overtones.

Best Of & Local Partners

The Hoxton has always championed community and connection, collaborating with local brands and creatives to bring the spirit of each neighbourhood into the hotel and build genuine relationships along the way. Each hotel features the Hox Gallery, a space that showcases local and emerging artists, with the Dublin iteration opening with

William Kwaku Amo, an Irish-Ghanaian painter whose vibrant, abstract artworks primarily explore emotions and his African heritage.

Best Of is the neighbourhood shop within the hotel, curating products from local makers, brands and artisans. In Dublin, the collection includes organic body butter from Bees Of Honey, bespoke stickers in collaboration with local illustrator Hephee, hampers from modern Irish pantry shop Made with Grá and a capsule collection of totes, tees and sweaters from hyper-local brand Seeking Judy.

The Neighbourhood

Perfectly positioned in Dublin's Creative Quarter, The Hoxton sits moments from the vibrant Drury Street and St. George's Street Arcade, home to independent boutiques, vintage stores, artisan makers and a lively mix of cafés, wine bars and eateries. Just a short stroll away, guests can explore the iconic Temple Bar for live music and a pint, browse high-end shops on Grafton Street, visit the world-famous Trinity College and its Old Library's Long Room, or unwind in the elegantly landscaped St. Stephen's Green public park. With such a central location, The Hoxton is the perfect base for discovering Dublin on foot or hopping on the Luas (the city's tram system) to venture a little further afield.

Dis-loyalty

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About The Hoxton

The Hoxton is a series of open house hotels, rooted in culture and community, located in key cities across the UK, Europe and North America. Each hotel is a reflection and extension of its neighbourhood, inspired by the diversity and originality of the streets that surround them. Vibrant, welcoming public spaces and exciting dining concepts mean every Hoxton is as much a destination for the local community as it is for guests.

The Hoxton, Shoreditch opened in 2006, followed by Holborn (2014), Amsterdam (2015), and Paris (2017). Global expansion saw the arrival of The Hoxton, Williamsburg (2018), Portland (2018), Chicago (2019), Downtown LA (2019), Southwark (2019), Rome (2021), Poblenou and Shepherd's Bush (2022), Charlottenburg, Brussels and Lloyd,

Amsterdam (2023), Vienna (2024), Florence, Edinburgh and Dublin (2025). The Hoxton is part of Ennismore, a creative hospitality company rooted in culture and community, with a global collective of entrepreneurial and founder-built brands with purpose at their heart.

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