

Why Stars Are Slipping Away From Central Park

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Disney's Bob Iger, Bruce Willis and Demi Moore have all recently unloaded pads in the area, once considered the pinnacle of success: "Now the high end is everywhere."

Nothing says "you've arrived" quite like owning on Central Park. It's long been considered a singular achievement in the world's most aspirational city. Just ask Madonna, Bono, Steven Spielberg or Yoko Ono — a few of the boldface names who have places there.

But in recent years, Manhattan's star real estate matrix has shifted, and Central Park's once unassailable supremacy is being challenged. "It used to be the high-end homes were all on Central Park West, Fifth Avenue and Park Avenue," says Corcoran's Deborah Grubman. "Now the high end is everywhere."

Central Park isn't necessarily the first stop for a young star house-hunting in Manhattan. Harry Styles, Jennifer Lawrence, Rebel Wilson, and Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel all have looked to the south instead, opting for homes in Tribeca and Chelsea. Chalk the trend up in part to demand for modern amenities, say experts. The emergence of new green space and large-scale luxury projects like Hudson Yards have expanded high-end options.

But even established A-listers are parting with the park. Bob Iger, Bruce Willis and Demi Moore all have recently unloaded Central Park pads. And on April 3, it was reported that Sting and Trudie Styler were moving to (gasp!) West Chelsea after selling on CPW. Here THR maps the stalwarts and the sellers.

145-146 CENTRAL PARK WEST

Last year, Moore sold her triplex penthouse at the San Remo for \$45 million, a hefty cut from the \$75 million asking price. But Bono and Steve Martin still call the 1930s Beaux Arts landmarked building home.



Bono

Martin

Moore



KEY

Staying

Leaving

Moving In

W. 92nd St.

1125 FIFTH AVE.

Iger sold his co-op in January for \$18.8 million. But Bette Midler still lives in the building; the unit below hers is listed at \$20 million. Julia Louis-Dreyfus' stepmom sold her full-floor pad in 2017 after buying a smaller one.



Iger



W. 73rd St.

W. 64th St.

W. 60th St.

15 CENTRAL PARK WEST

Denzel Washington and Robert De Niro still reside in the decade-old Robert A.M. Stern-designed tower. But they bid farewell to Sting and Styler, who sold their penthouse for \$50.6 million last year.



De Niro

Styler

Washington

25 CENTRAL PARK WEST

Amazon's Jeff Bezos bought and combined several units at The Century. But Tribeca Film Festival director Geoffrey Gilmore sold his three-bedroom pad in the 32-story art deco building for \$3.8 million last year.



Bezos



Gilmore

25 CENTRAL PARK WEST

The amenity-rich Tribeca building (24-hour concierge, valet, 71-foot indoor pool and roof terrace) has become the go-to for such stars as Lawrence, Jake Gyllenhaal, Meg Ryan, and Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively.



Lively and Reynolds



Lawrence

Gyllenhaal

W. 28th St.

520 W. 28TH ST.

Directly adjacent to the High Line, the Zaha Hadid-designed building has 39 residences for rent and for sale. Sting and Styler reportedly are renting the top floor. Equinox CEO Harvey Spevak bought there in July.



Sting



Greenwich St.

