

# Hotel Commonwealth

## HOTEL COMMONWEALTH UNVEILS NEW WING, COMPLETES FINAL PHASE OF \$50 MILLION TRANSFORMATION

*Boston's urban luxe hotel nearly doubles in size with 96 new guestrooms,  
Fenway Park Suite, outdoor terrace and 6,000 square feet of event space*

**December 15, 2015 (BOSTON, MA)** – Today, Boston's [Hotel Commonwealth](#) announces the completion of a \$50 million dollar expansion and renovation project nearly doubling the number of existing guest rooms and event space. The new wing overlooking iconic Fenway Park features 96 new guest rooms and suites, a designated Fenway Park Suite filled with exclusive Red Sox memorabilia, and 6,000 square feet of additional meeting and event space, including 1,500 square foot outdoor terrace. The expansion marks the final stage of the hotel's transformation, following a complete overhaul of the hotel's existing lobby, guest rooms and meeting space, as well as the addition of four themed signature suites.

Inspired by the hotel's dynamic Kenmore Square neighborhood and building off the collegiate spirit of nearby universities, the expansion's design reflects the area's personality with a crisp, modern aesthetic and a pop of classic patterns. Houndstooth, herringbone and plaid were all made current by altering scale and layering texture in carpets and upholstery, creating an unexpected contemporary prep style. Working with architect [Group One Partners](#) and New York's [dash design](#), Hotel Commonwealth's new wing extends from the existing building through an enclosed footbridge and also features its own private entrance for social event guests.

"12 years ago Hotel Commonwealth spurred a revival of the Kenmore Square area, and we are excited to see the neighborhood continue to evolve," said Adam Sperling, general manager of Hotel Commonwealth. "The new wing and recent renovation reflect the dynamic neighborhood and we are thrilled to showcase our exciting new transformation to guests and locals."

### NEW GUESTROOMS

The 96 generously-sized guest rooms in the new wing feature custom-designed furniture, industrial-inspired lighting, and modern baths with walk-in showers and sliding barn doors, reflecting a crisp, luxurious aesthetic. Infusing modernity with locally inspired accents, rooms are awash in fresh & soothing tones, houndstooth fabrics, carpets in iconic patterns and tasteful lounge seating. Fenway rooms overlook the iconic ballpark allowing guests a close-up look at the infamous Green Monster and even a glimpse into the stadium on game days.



All new rooms also offer a “virtual concierge.” A Google Nexus tablet displayed in-room features a dedicated app by Intelity ICE, providing instant access to an abundance of amenities, from requesting room service and mini-bar items to booking dog walking appointments and checking in to flights. The tablet additionally serves as the alarm clock, music player and news reader (with a variety of newspapers and magazines automatically loaded), making it an indispensable tool for elevated guest experiences at Hotel Commonwealth.

### **FENWAY PARK SUITE**

Hotel Commonwealth has long integrated its love for the Boston Red Sox into its world-class hospitality practices and is proud to be the official hotel partner of the Boston Red Sox. In addition to connecting Boston visitors with exclusive Red Sox excursions, the hotel now offers a signature Fenway Park Suite, ideal for die-hard Red Sox fans seeking a once-in-a-lifetime immersive experience.

A long fly ball away from Fenway Park, the suite features original ballpark seats on its spacious walk-out terrace, along with a baseball mitt to catch homerun balls. The interior is chock-full of priceless Red Sox memorabilia, including the #6 from The Green Monster scoreboard, originally given to Johnny Pesky when his number was retired in 2008. A signed baseball and vintage baseball cards from each Ted Williams, Bobby Doerr, Dom DiMaggio and Johnny Pesky can also be found in the room, representing the longtime friendship of the legendary players. Other collectibles include actual tickets from 1946, 1967 and 1975 World Series games, a coffee table signed by numerous Red Sox legends, and mixed-media photographic artwork of renowned catcher Carlton Fisk created in 2011 by Massachusetts artist Stephen Sheffield to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Fenway Park.

“We were thrilled to work with Hotel Commonwealth to bring the unique charm and character of Fenway Park to their new hotel suite,” said Red Sox Executive Vice President, Partnerships, Troup Parkinson. “By including authentic memorabilia and one-of-a-kind items, the hotel has extended the ballpark experience a few hundred feet into Kenmore Square for their guests to enjoy.”

### **EVENT AND MEETING SPACE**

The new 6,000 square feet of meetings and event space, also overlooking Fenway Park, serves as the ultimate wedding venue, as well as a premiere gathering space for group functions and meetings. A stunning pre-function area with expansive two-story floor-to-ceiling windows facing Fenway provides the ideal spot for a cocktail reception, before stepping into the new 3,200 square-foot grand ballroom for an elegant dinner for up to 250 guests. The sprawling 1,500 square-foot outdoor terrace is ideal for exchanging “I Dos” or an alfresco cocktail party after a long day of meetings.

In addition to the event space, a new state-of-the-art boardroom with locally-inspired décor and cosmopolitan-feel is ideal for executive meetings or intimate private dinners. Hotel Commonwealth’s catering menu offers the best of award-winning restaurants, Eastern Standard Kitchen and Drinks and Island Creek Oyster Bar. Curated cocktails and innovative wine selections are also available through the esteemed team at Hawthorne Bar. As the Official hotel of the Boston Red Sox, the hotel can also



arrange for exclusive tours of Fenway Park and even delivery of the World Series trophy during meeting breaks.

For additional information on Hotel Commonwealth, or to make a reservation, please visit [www.hotelcommonwealth.com](http://www.hotelcommonwealth.com) or call (617) 933-5000.

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**About Hotel Commonwealth:**

Featuring Boston's best hotel dining and drinking, with an enviable Kenmore Square location around the corner from Fenway Park, Hotel Commonwealth pushes the boundaries of hospitality excellence. Since opening its doors in 2003, the 149 luxury guest room property has attracted new businesses and guests to what's become an invigorated city neighborhood. The property has garnered multiple prestigious accolades, including *Travel + Leisure's* World's Best Award for **Top Large City Hotels (2011, 2013, 2014)**, *Travel + Leisure's* **Top 500 Hotels in the World (2015)**, *Condé Nast Traveler's Reader's Choice Awards (2015)*, and *U.S. News and World Report's Best Hotels in the USA (2011 – 2014)*. Hotel Commonwealth is currently ranked as one of the top hotels in Boston and in the Top 25 Hotels in the USA on [TripAdvisor.com](http://TripAdvisor.com). As the Official Hotel of the Boston Red Sox, Hotel Commonwealth connects Boston visitors and baseball enthusiasts with exclusive Red Sox excursions – from group ticket packages to batting practice visits, VIP seating and much more. For more information, please visit [www.hotelcommonwealth.com](http://www.hotelcommonwealth.com), like on Facebook at [Hotel Commonwealth](https://www.facebook.com/HotelCommonwealth), follow on Twitter at [@HotelCommonwlth](https://twitter.com/HotelCommonwlth) or call (617) 933-5000.

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