

# American Airlines and British Airways Joint Premium Lounges

## John F. Kennedy International Airport, Terminal 8

American Airlines and British Airways invested to redevelop and expand **Terminal 8**, including new lounge spaces that offer premium customers an elevated experience. Joint collaboration in the lounge design, catering and service delivering an elegant three-tier experience that fuses the best of British and American culture. Three luxury joint lounges are named after neighborhoods found in London and New York – **Chelsea Lounge, Soho Lounge and Greenwich Lounge**.

OPENING  
**DEC. 1  
2022**

### KEY INVESTMENTS

American Airlines and British Airways invested **\$400 million** to improve the customer experience:

- Five new widebody gates
- Expanded and upgraded baggage handling system
- More than 7,000 feet of additional terminal space
- New premium check-in area
- Two additional new lounges



### Chelsea LOUNGE

- Champagne bar
- Fireside lounge
- Luxury showers
- A la carte dining

**Access:**

American Airlines: Customers who purchase Flagship® Business Plus or traveling in Flagship® First or ConciergeKey® on Flagship® itineraries

British Airways: Customers with access to Concorde Room



### Soho LOUNGE

- Floor to ceiling windows with airside views
- Vibrant cocktail bar
- Secluded library
- 30-foot communal wine pouring table
- Luxury rain showers in the private shower rooms

**Access:**

American Airlines: Eligibility includes AAdvantage Executive Platinum® or Platinum Pro® status on qualifying Flagship® itineraries

British Airways: Customers with access to First lounge



### Greenwich LOUNGE

American's Flagship® Lounge will be rebranded as the Greenwich Lounge.

- Premium wine table
- Expansive seating
- Chef-inspired meals
- Terrace Bar
- Airside views

**Access:**

American Airlines: Customers travel Flagship® Business and AAdvantage Platinum® on qualifying Flagship® itineraries

British Airways: Customers with access to Club lounge



## Design and materials

### CHELSEA

- The Chelsea Lounge features a glass ceiling feature consisting of 150 suspended glass leaves, sourced from the Czech Republic, created with molds taken from actual botanical samples.
- The Chelsea Lounge floor is made from marble, sourced from a quarry in Italy.

### CHELSEA AND SOHO

- The Chelsea and Soho lounges feature custom-designed digital panels with dynamic content, creating a calming ambience before customers fly. The panels refresh the look and feel of the lounge from season to season.
- The custom light fixtures and fittings were sourced from the UK and New York City.
- Every seat in the Chelsea and Soho lounges has easy access to a personal power source.



## Food and beverage

### SERVICES

- American and British Airways collaborated on culinary offerings inspired by the culture and cuisines from both sides of the Atlantic, including a range of plant-based options.
- 2022 James Beard Award Finalist, Ayesha Nurdjaja designed menu items featured in the Chelsea and Soho Lounge.
- Minority-owned and managed company SodexoMagic is the lounge caterer.



## Premium

### CHECK-IN AREAS

- Both premium check-in areas lead directly to dedicated fast-track security; allowing customers to breeze through to departures.
- The exclusive and secluded joint check-in area for eligible customers includes seated check-in desks for a luxurious start to their journey.
- Eligible British Airways and American premium customers will check in at one of the new joint check-in areas, varies by eligibility.
- Sweeping wood forms and warm metal textures mark the beginning of an elevated customer experience.



### PREMIUM CHECK-IN AND LOUNGE ARCHITECT

Gensler



### PREMIUM LOUNGE SPACE

Three lounges total approximately 65,000 square feet