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SOOTHING STAYS

From ubiquitous iPod docking stations to elaborate pillow menus, hotels play a perpetual game of one-upmanship when it comes to providing new and better guest-pampering services. Here's the latest.

BEDS New York City's **Benjamin** (125 E. 50th St.; 866/222-2365; thebenjamin.com; doubles from \$409) has a money-back sleep guarantee and a specialized concierge to help make good rest a reality. He calls guests three days before their stay to plan room-service delivery of sleep-inducing foods like banana bread, and to convey the 12 pillow options (from anti-snoring to one with an iPod port). ■

Marriotts worldwide have joined a growing list of hotels beefing up their bedding. The company's new Revive collection includes a Jamison mattress with 300-thread-count sheets, a down comforter, and hypoallergenic pillows.

TECHNOLOGY At the **Four Seasons San Francisco** (757 Market St.; 415/633-3000; fourseasons.com; doubles from \$480), you can borrow accessories for your gadgets—MP3 earbuds, PDA styluses, and reading lights that plug in to USB ports. ■ The **Mayflower Hotel** in Washington, D.C. (1127 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202/347-3000; marriott.com; doubles from \$429), is unveiling 37-inch monitors with a split-screen function, allowing you to work on your computer and watch TV side-by-side.

DELIVERIES ON DEMAND With the new "lending" program at **Loews**, you can call downstairs to have everything from the useful (sound machine, humidifier) to the unlikely (mini putting green) delivered right to your room. ■ And if you left a favorite home product behind, **Kimpton Hotels** has much more on hand than the typical toothbrush, such as Static Guard or heating pads. —ANDREA BENNETT

