



When the door finally hits the ass of the last of your visiting holiday bunkmates, you'd be well advised to hightail it out of this here concrete jungle.

A proposition rendered far simpler by new home-swapping startup [3RD HOME](#), a members-only club for luxury homeowners with more than 4,000 properties worldwide on their roster.

The only caveat: you've gotta open your doors to fellow members to join.

The club allows homeowners to stay in [premier properties](#) around the globe sans rental fees. And unlike traditional home exchanges, they do not require a simultaneous exchange with another member. By making time available in your home, you'll earn "keys" that give you access to other 3RD HOME properties.

Here are five killer properties waiting for you within a couple-hours drive of NYC.



[Westhampton Beach Dune House](#)

East Quogue, NY

Complete with 360-degree water views, an outdoor fireplace and a seven-person hot tub, this stunner was nominated as a World Architecture 2013 House of the Year.



[Hudson River Mansion](#)

Catskill, NY

A Catskills getaway nestled on 50 acres of secluded land with a Jacuzzi overlooking the Hudson River and not much else. Also of interest: a roaring fireplace for kicking your boots up.



[Soho Penthouse](#)

Manhattan, NY

Artsy and equipped with entertainment gadgetry galore, this 5,000-square-foot penthouse is situated in the heart of Soho, with jaw-dropping views of the city skyline, Freedom Tower included.



[Easthampton Bay Mansion](#)

East Hampton, NY

Floor-to-ceiling windows serve up ocean views and panoramic sunset on the bay, with easy access to Wine Country a short drive away.



Quassy Lodge

Middlebury, CT

This sprawling seven-acre Adirondack escape includes a boathouse, fireplace, hot tub, theater and cigar-smoking room. And it's suitable for snow season: nearby activities include snowshoeing, skiing and tubing.