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The Benson's Limestone Façade Nears Pinnacle At 1045 Madison Avenue In Carnegie Hill, Manhattan



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Exterior work is shaping up on The Benson, an 18-story condominium building at [1045 Madison Avenue](#) in the [Carnegie Hill](#) section of the [Upper East Side](#). Designed by [Peter Pennoyer](#) and developed by [The Naftali Group](#), the 210-foot-tall structure will yield 16 residential units spread across 59,032 square feet, for an average of 3,700 square feet apiece, as well as 3,993 square feet of ground-floor retail. There will be three penthouses, and the majority of the homes will be full-floor layouts. The property is located between East 79th and East 80th Streets, a short walk from Central Park.

Recent photos show the superstructure topped out and the majority of its limestone façade in place.

Scaffolding and construction netting still cover the upper portion of the building, which will feature several setbacks topped with private landscaped terraces for select homes. They will be lined with decorative black iron railings that contrast with the light-colored stone fenestration.



A private entry foyer greets people before stepping into each unit and will be finished with custom metalwork and a doorway sitting underneath a barrel-vaulted ceiling and Chevron patterned oak floors.

The residences are designed with a mix of traditional and contemporary proportions, materials, and architecture. High ceilings and oversized windows provide abundant daylight to flood the interior spaces.

Christopher Peacock and Peter Penoyer are working together to design the chef's kitchens, which come with Calcutta Gold island countertops with rounded corners, a custom-fluted nickel hood, solid walnut interiors and polished nickel pulls, and hand-painted millwork in a midnight blue color. They will also be furnished with state-of-the-art curated appliances from Sub-Zero and Miele.

Master bedrooms have walk-in closets, bay windows, and master bathrooms will be complete with a soaking tub, hand-laid stone floor, a custom vanity, a large rain shower, and radiant heated floors.

Amenities at The Benson include The Park Bar on the upper levels overlooking Central Park and illuminated by tall lanterns, a private indoor theater with a custom-designed wet bar and a popcorn machine, a spa with a steam room and sauna, a fitness center with a basketball court, a children's playroom, a library with an adjacent garden, a 24-hour doorman and concierge service, and a pet spa.

The Benson is scheduled for completion sometime later this year.

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