

## Editors' Pick 2010

### Petit Ermitage, West Hollywood



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#### Conciierge.com's insider take:

An oasis of quiet just off the Sunset Strip, this Mediterranean-inspired West Hollywood boutique hotel is a great low-key (and lower-priced) alternative to the sceneric scene just down the street at the [Chateau Marmont](#). Like the Chateau, the Petit Ermitage is located just a few steps from the action, making it ideal for walking out and stumbling back. Previously an apartment building (don't judge it by the not-so-snazzy 1970s exterior), the decor is pure boho-chic, with antique gramophones piping in French crooners, artwork from the owner's collection, and beautiful Italian mosaic tiling. Each of the 80 generously sized suites feature hand-woven Turkish rugs, antique furnishings, sheets with astronomically high thread counts, and complimentary Wi-Fi. Some also have fireplaces, balconies, and kitchens. A fitness center, in-suite spa service, and sofa beds in many rooms are welcome extras for the largely European clientele, but it's the gorgeous rooftop that seals the deal. The heated saltwater pool there is framed by Moroccan-inspired lounges, cabanas, and a bar where you can catch some of the best views in town. By sunset, when the place turns into a magical, candlelit retreat, you're likely to find the idea of heading off-site not so appealing.—*Audrey Davidow*