



# DATE BOOK

## JOHN AND CHRISTINE GACHOT

Recently topped out, Madison House is a new face in the NoMad landscape. The luxury residential building will open in fall 2020, but it's already making an impact in the neighborhood as its tallest residence, which was designed by Handel Architects. Gachot Studios, led by founders John and Christine Gachot, designed the interiors, and while the Gachots don't live in NoMad, they've begun spending much of their time in the area. "NoMad is such a good launch point for exploring the city," Christine says. With Madison House, she adds, "We sought to create a place of serenity and respite from the bustling city below while still celebrating the urban vitality that is so visible through these incredible expanses of window. The interiors focus on quality, luxurious materials rendered in simple, sturdy forms." Here, the couple walks us through a day in the life in NoMad. [gachotstudios.com](http://gachotstudios.com)

**9:30 a.m. CG:** After an early morning getting our boys off to school and doing yoga, I head to The Edition near Madison Square Park. There, I have breakfast at the restaurant The Clocktower with a client.

**11 a.m. CG:** I arrive at ALT for Living showroom to check out new throws that owner Analisse Taft sent me images of the night before. I spend the hour obsessing over her latest luxury fabrics, pillows and carpets.

**11:45 a.m. CG:** Next stop is the 200 Lex Design Center. This is an unbelievable resource for designers. It's a bit of a secret,

but it's open to the general public. Furniture, fabrics, wallcoverings, kitchens, vintage, contemporary—it's all under one roof. There I can visit friends and shop for clients. I make a pit stop at the Rizzoli Bookstore before lunch with John. Rizzoli publishes beautiful books on art, design and much more. It's a reliable resource for inspiration.

**1 p.m. JG:** I'm meeting Christine for lunch in a bit, so I stop by Old Print Shop first to research fauna and flora vintage prints for custom wallcoverings I'm developing. Christine calls to say that she's running late, which is perfect because I got a little lost looking at prints and still have time to stop by

Todd Snyder to pick up some shirts and dream about their awesome collection of vintage watches.

**3 p.m. JG:** I meet Christine at Shake Shack for lunch. She tells me about a beautiful table that she saw at Donzella. We sit in the park eating and wonder why we don't live in this neighborhood. We get inspired by the area and make a reservation at Eleven Madison Park for the next month.

**5:30 p.m. CG:** To finish the day, I have a quick catch-up drink with a client at the Elephant Bar in the NoMad Hotel. It's a great spot with energy—ideal for a last-minute martini!



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