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## American Express to open Centurion Lounge at Newark Liberty International Airport

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Multiple seating areas and dedicated workstations are a part of the incoming travel space. Image credit: American Express

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American Express is taking a popular cardholder perk to new heights.

Collaborating with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, the financial services company plans to install a Centurion Lounge at Newark Liberty International Airport by 2026. Featuring skyline views of Manhattan and the connected airfield, the 17,000-square-foot space is the latest in a branded network of more than 1,400 airport-based stations worldwide.

"The Centurion Lounge at Newark Liberty International Airport is a strong addition to our global network giving eligible card members a taste of New Jersey's history while delivering the premium experience and amenities that have become synonymous with the Centurion Lounges," said Audrey Hendley, president of American Express Travel, in a statement.

## Relaxation destination

Exclusively available to American Express cardholders, the new Centurion Lounge will pay homage to the culture and history of New Jersey while providing travelers with a space to unwind.

On top of the indoor terrace showcasing the distant skyline, a cocktail bar and accompanying piano lounge will nod to the state's vibrant and storied era of jazz music, placing antiques and artifacts from the 20th century on display.

Alongside this regional twist, typical Centurion Lounge fixtures such as ample seating areas, workstations, free high-speed Wi-Fi and culinary options inspired by local cuisine will soon land at Newark Airport.

We're opening a brand-new @AmericanExpress Centurion Lounge at @EWRairport's new Terminal A! This locally inspired lounge will include an indoor terrace with skyline views, a jazz bar, and a piano lounge celebrating NJ's rich jazz history.

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An area for families with small children is to come by way of the construction. High-gloss restrooms and shower suites round the center out.

Part of an overhaul of Terminal A at Newark Liberty International, the lounge will be a major sight to the millions of passengers who go through the site each year upon its completion. The announcement arrives during a boom period for global business travel, with expenditures projected to soar to \$1.8 trillion by 2027 (see story).

"The new Terminal A is the first step in a renaissance for Newark Liberty International Airport," said Kevin O'Toole, chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, in a statement.

"The addition of the Centurion Lounge, with its stunning architecture, incredible amenities and a celebration of New Jersey's rich history throughout will be a fitting capstone to an already world-class facility."

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