

safer hotels stays

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It can be shocking when a hotel stay goes wrong - but with simple steps you can avoid nasty surprises that might compromise your safety

These simple steps can give you peace of mind:

Before you leave:

- Reserve your room above ground level (making entry through a window more difficult).
- Reputable chains tend to have better safety measures in place, although it is not always the case.
- If you will be arriving late, call the hotel on the day of arrival to ensure they do not give your room to someone else.

Upon arrival

- Use your work, rather than personal contact details
- Ask for your room number to be written on a card rather than told to you.
- Never share a room, even if the hotel seems full.
- Ask the hotel for recommended local restaurants, and whether they have any safety tips for the local area.
- Always use the keychain on the door
- If you use a lift, always stand nearest the door or the control panel. You can

then get off earlier without your exit being blocked.

- Always use the peephole and keychain if someone knocks on your door.

Further information

For travel abroad: The Foreign and Commonwealth Office
www.fco.gov.uk

Personal Safety Learning has more resources on
www.personalsafetylearning.com

Did you know?

Young men, students and the unemployed are more likely to be the victim of violent crime?



IF YOU FEEL THREATENED:

- Remember to trust your instincts - if in doubt call the reception desk. If the hotel does not have a telephone in the room, programme the reception desk number into your mobile phone.
- Use your voice or an alarm to shock or distract an attacker