



Room photos not enough? Site offers videos of hotels

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Now there's a Web site where you can check out hotel rooms before you book. TVTrip.com will show you videos of hotels in 13 European cities.

High-quality videos show exteriors, lobbies, dining areas and guest rooms, including bathrooms.

You can choose hotels by price range from no dollars (no dice) to \$600 a night. Listings include TripAdvisor.com ratings and comments, and Google maps showing location.

I saw some surprises, including London's Kensington Close Hotel & Spa at \$187 a night.

To check availability, you're redirected to partner sites, and TVTrip.com gets commissions for bookings. But I couldn't get the rate on dates I tried in September.

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