



Today, 25th of August 2025 Hotel Gabrielli Venezia – Starhotels Collezione opens its doors, marking a new era in Venetian luxury and design

Following a comprehensive renovation, Starhotels ushers in a new era for Hotel Gabrielli. This historic Venetian palazzo, home to one of the city's largest private gardens and terraces with breathtaking lagoon views, begins a fresh chapter of demure, timeless elegance



Venice, 25th August 2025 – Today is the day a new chapter of Venetian luxury hospitality begins, as **Starhotels Group proudly reopens the iconic Hotel Gabrielli as a 5-star property following an extensive renovation**. Located on the prestigious Riva degli Schiavoni, just a few steps from Piazza San Marco, the historic 14th-century palazzo unveils the restored chandeliers, painstakingly rebuilt with local artisans to light the new, refined, and sumptuous interiors of an iconic, Grand Tour-style hotel. With sweeping views of San Giorgio Maggiore Island and the San Marco lagoon, and home to one of the largest private gardens in Venice, the Gabrielli now offers a contemporary yet profoundly authentic Venetian experience that is strong, directional, and deeply respectful of the city's heritage.

*"With Hotel Gabrielli, we complete a vision we have long held for Venice: to offer our guests two complementary yet distinct experiences in one of the world's most beautiful cities. After Splendid Venice, behind Piazza San Marco, we now bring our excellence to Riva degli Schiavoni," comments **Elisabetta Fabri, Starhotels President and CEO**. "Today, we open the doors to what we aspire to become Venice's new signature address. Here, guests won't simply visit the city, they'll experience it at its most luminous, from the lagoon's most privileged vantage as part of an exclusive community."*

The ambitious restoration project emphasises simplicity and timeless elegance, showcasing the scale of the investment and its craftsmanship. **Still owned by the Perkhofers family**, who have been its custodians since 1856 and are now in their fifth generation, Milanese designer **Andrea Auletta** and his studio preserved original architectural details while incorporating refined modern touches, creating a deeply authentic Venetian atmosphere where **Murano chandeliers, Istrian stone columns, and coffered ceilings** coexist with contemporary design. **Hotel Gabrielli is now operated by Starhotels** as part of its prestigious **Collezione** brand, perfectly aligned with **La Grande Bellezza – The Dream Factory**, the Group's project dedicated to celebrating Italian craftsmanship and cultural heritage.

Hotel Gabrielli reopens as a 5-star destination, offering an elevated Venetian hospitality experience with just **66 rooms and suites**, including the grand **Presidential Suite**, featuring a private rooftop *altana* terrace with unparalleled panoramic views over the city and lagoon.

The property's historic charm extends beyond its rooms: the iconic façade, meticulously rejuvenated to its original splendor, features the magnificent **Quadrifora windows**, now the emblem of the new Gabrielli and a striking architectural highlight of its most extraordinary suites, overlooking San Giorgio Maggiore.

Hidden at the back of the hotel lies a **600 sqm private garden**, a unique jewel in Venice and one of the largest in the city, where summer shade mingles with the gentle sound of waves, brushing against marble canal walls.

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Centuries-old olive trees, magnolias, hydrangeas, and evergreen borders set among with antique marble tubs, adding a touch of history to the greenery.

To complete the experience, Hotel Gabrielli fully embraces the Group's culinary philosophy, championing local culinary traditions through a contemporary sensitivity and profound respect for territorial identity. Led by the Venetian **Executive Chef Mirko Pistorello**, here, quality emerges from the commitment to ingredients sourced from local supply chains following the *Km Veneto* ethos.

A nod to the palazzo's storied guests - among them Franz Kafka - the **Felice al Gabrielli Restaurant**, named after Kafka's muse Felice Bauer, offers an intimate, refined setting that opens onto a quiet internal courtyard enhanced by jute-effect fabrics and native plants, evoking the discreet atmosphere of a winter garden. The **K Lounge Bar** with its warm tones and natural materials, serves as the vibrant centrepiece of Gabrielli, where the food & beverage offering draws inspiration from the flavours of the lagoon.

On the sixth floor, the **Terrazza Gabrielli** extends over 150 sqm, offering a mesmerising 360-degree panorama of Venice, from the Lido to the Punta della Dogana and San Marco's lagoon. An outdoor sky bar, featuring brick-red accents that echo the building's façade, enhances this elevated experience. Sunset *aperitivi* on the rooftop features signature cocktails by **Bar Manager Diego Filippone** and dishes by Chef Pistorello, each with a local origin and story, creating a setting where the grandeur of the city and lagoon is paired with culinary artistry.

As a final touch, the **Venetian Spa** offers an intimate retreat to unwind in a serene setting, featuring a private suite with a bathtub, multisensory shower, sauna, hammam, and a treatment room for two, all enhanced by exquisite marble finishes and restored local craftsmanship.

Hotel Gabrielli Venezia – Starhotels Collezione officially opens its doors today, marking a new chapter in Venetian luxury hospitality and joining the prestigious collection of **The Leading Hotels of the World**. A premier destination that combines historic charm, contemporary elegance, and exceptional service, designed to **capture the emotions of many generations to come**.

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Reopened on 25 August 2025, Hotel Gabrielli Venezia – Starhotels Collezione returns as the lagoon's signature address for contemporary hospitality, designed for today's most discerning travelers. Once an essential Grand Tour address and later a haven for Orient Express voyagers, its closeness to the Giardini della Biennale and the Arsenale makes it, once again, a natural gathering ground for art and creativity.

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