

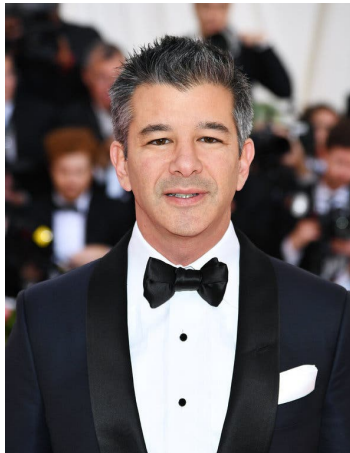
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A New Duplex Penthouse for Travis Kalanick, Uber's Co-Founder

The \$36.5 million apartment at 565 Broome Street comes with a pool and a rooftop deck.

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Travis Kalanick, pictured at this year's Met Gala, recently closed on a sprawling new duplex at 565 Broome Street in SoHo. Credit Dimitrios Kambouris/Getty Images



His apartment is one of two penthouses at 565 Broome, which was designed by the Pritzker Prize-winning Italian architect Renzo Piano. Credit Jonathan Morefield for Field Condition

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Travis Kalanick, a founder of the ride-hailing service Uber who was forced out as chief executive two years ago, has closed on a new SoHo penthouse, complete with a spacious rooftop deck and a 20-foot heated swimming pool.

At \$36.5 million, it was the most expensive sale in New York City during the month of August, according to property records.

Mr. Kalanick's new home is one of two duplex penthouses at 565 Broome Street, a recently opened glass tower designed by the Pritzker Prize-winning Italian architect Renzo Piano. Both apartments offer panoramic views of the city skyline and Hudson River.

Among the other notable August closings — in an otherwise slow, end-of-summer period — two more units at the ultra-pricey 220 Central Park South sold, each for around \$24 million and to unknown buyers. Several more high-end purchases took place at 15 Hudson Yards, the first residential tower in the newly opened Hudson Yards megadevelopment.

Also, Daniel S. Glaser, the chief executive of the giant insurance brokerage Marsh & McLennan, bought a home at the newly converted Woolworth Tower Residences in TriBeCa. And the hedge fund manager Johannes William Weber closed on a penthouse at another condo conversion, on the Upper East Side.

Among the city's older housing stock, Cyrus and Marjan Yaraghi, the owners of the Safavieh home-furnishings company, acquired a Fifth Avenue co-op, while the interior designers Robert and Courtney Novogratz purchased a Greenwich Village townhouse.

Mr. Kalanick's duplex, known as "penthouse north," is at the pinnacle of the Broome Street building. At 6,734 square feet, it has four bedrooms and four and a half baths, along with an eat-in kitchen and expansive living and dining rooms, according to the listing with Douglas Elliman Real Estate. The master suite contains two large walk-in closets, as well as a 260-square-foot bathroom with a soaking tub, oversize shower and radiant-heated floors.

There are an additional 3,400 square feet outdoors that include three terraces. The rooftop space has a summer kitchen in addition to the pool.

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Mr. Kalanick made the purchase through the company 377 Holdings, Inc., with Tara Dhingra, who works in special projects at Uber, listed as the president. The Elliman listing agents were Stacy Spielman, Andrew Anderson, Benjamin Glazer and James C. Flowers. Monthly carrying costs total \$25,474.

Mr. Kalanick co-founded Uber in 2009 and helped build it into a transportation powerhouse, but he was forced to resign in June 2017 under pressure from major investors. Last year he announced the formation of a venture fund called 10100 (pronounced "ten one hundred"). He also runs the real estate investment company City Storage Systems.



Two apartments for about \$24 million sold in August at 220 Central Park South, center right, which holds the national record for most expensive single residence.

Credit Karsten Moran for The New York Times

The 220 Central Park South apartments that sold, both in the Midtown tower's B-line, are similarly configured. Each half-floor unit encompasses 3,043 square feet, with three bedrooms and three and a half baths, and offers park and cityscape views, according to the listings with the Corcoran Group.

No. 39B sold for \$24.1 million, No. 42B for \$24 million; their buyers' identities were shielded by limited liability companies. The monthly carrying costs for each are estimated at around \$13,000.

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The limestone-clad luxury tower, near 58th Street, was designed by Robert A.M. Stern Architects and developed by Vornado Realty Trust. Since it opened its doors last year, a wide range of deep-pocketed buyers have laid claim to apartments there. In July, the British rocker Sting closed on a triplex for \$65.8 million. And earlier this year, the hedge fund manager Kenneth Griffin paid a record \$240 million for four unfinished floors.



*The 15 Hudson Yards condominium, center, also had several sales.
Credit Timothy Schenck/Related-Oxford*

At 15 Hudson Yards, which opened this year, there were about a half-dozen additional closings. The largest, at \$7 million, was a nearly 2,100-square-foot apartment on the 63rd floor, with two bedrooms and two baths. The buyer was identified as Zhen Zhou.

The 88-story building, at 11th Avenue and 30th Street, is inside the 28-acre Hudson Yards project. It was developed by the Related Companies and designed by Diller Scofidio + Renfro, in collaboration with the Rockwell Group and Ismael Leyva Architects.



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Daniel S. Glaser, who heads Marsh & McLennan, bought a home at the newly converted Woolworth Tower Residences in TriBeCa. Credit Victor J. Blue/Bloomberg

Mr. Glaser paid \$9.3 million for an apartment on the 41st floor of the Woolworth Tower, a.k.a. 2 Park Place, an easy subway ride from the Midtown headquarters of Marsh & McLennan, where he has served as president and chief executive for the last several years.

His nearly 3,300-square-foot unit has three bedrooms and three and a half baths, along with a great room and panoramic cityscape and river views.

The Woolworth Tower apartments, developed by Alchemy Properties, are at the top of the 60-story, neo-Gothic Woolworth Building, erected in the early 1900s and located at 233 Broadway, facing City Hall Park. The 33 condo units were designed by the French architect Thierry W. Despont.

The penthouse purchased by Mr. Weber and his wife, Alison Louise Andrews, who works in the Queens district attorney's office, is in Carnegie Hill, at 12 East 88th Street, across from the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum and less than a block from Central Park. The purchase price was \$10.3 million.

The sprawling 4,000-square-foot unit has four bedrooms, four and a half baths and a study, and provides views of the park reservoir.

The 13-story, red brick building at 12 East 88th Street was designed by Rosario Candela. It was completed in the early 1930s and was recently converted into condos.

The Yaraghis, owners of Safavieh Home Furnishings, bought a 16th-floor apartment at 812 Fifth Avenue, between 62nd and 63rd Streets, on the Upper East Side, for \$10.8 million. The seller was the estate of Helen B. Bernstein, a writer and philanthropist who died last year.

The couple will have plenty of space to add a few pieces from their home-furnishing collections. Their new apartment has 4,200 square feet and includes four bedrooms, four and a half baths, a wood-paneled library and a home office.

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The interior designers Robert and Cortney Novogratz, pictured at a 2013 gala, bought a Greenwich Village townhouse in an estate sale. Credit John Lamparski/WireImage, via Getty Images



The four-story house at 114 Waverly Place, known as the "pink house," was built in 1826. Credit Tina Fineberg for The New York Times

And speaking of room for decorating (and estate sales), the Novogratzes, the husband-and-wife interior design team based in Los Angeles, bought a four-story townhouse at 114 Waverly Place for \$8.5 million. The building, known as the "pink house," was sold by the estate of Celeste Martin, a former actress and dancer. The structure was one of nine homes erected on Waverly Place in 1826 for Thomas R. Mercein, who was the city comptroller and president of New York Equitable Fire Insurance Company.

The couple also sell home-furnishing products and have had design shows on Bravo and HGTV.

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