Trip *Highlights*

Privately guided visits to Albany's **Empire State Plaza** and its modern art collection assembled under Nelson Rockefeller's direction, viewing works by Pollock, Rothko, and Frankenthaler.

Olana, the splendid Gilded Age estate of Hudson River School painter Frederic Edwin Church, whose Persian-inspired home was preserved during Nelson Rockefeller's governorship.

Springwood, Franklin D. Roosevelt's lifelong home, where the future president was born, entertained world leaders, and was buried alongside his wife, Eleanor.

Kykuit, home to four Rockefeller generations, on a guided tour of Nelson Rockefeller's underground modern art galleries and gardens filled with sculpture.

Matisse's final commissioned work and nine Chagall stained-glass windows at **Union Church of Pocantico Hills**, where the Rockefeller family worshipped.

Lunch at the **Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture**, the Rockefellers' former dairy complex.

The **Rockefeller Archive Center** at Hillcrest, the former estate of Martha Baird Rockefeller.

The Frick Collection, the restored Gilded Age mansion of industrialist **Henry Clay Frick**, with a before-hours welcome from the museum's director and a guided tour of its collection, including the family's former private rooms.

Visits to Rockefeller sites in Manhattan, including **Radio City Music Hall**, **Rockefeller Center**, and the **Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)**, which was co-founded by Abby Aldrich Rockefeller in 1929.

Traveling With *You*



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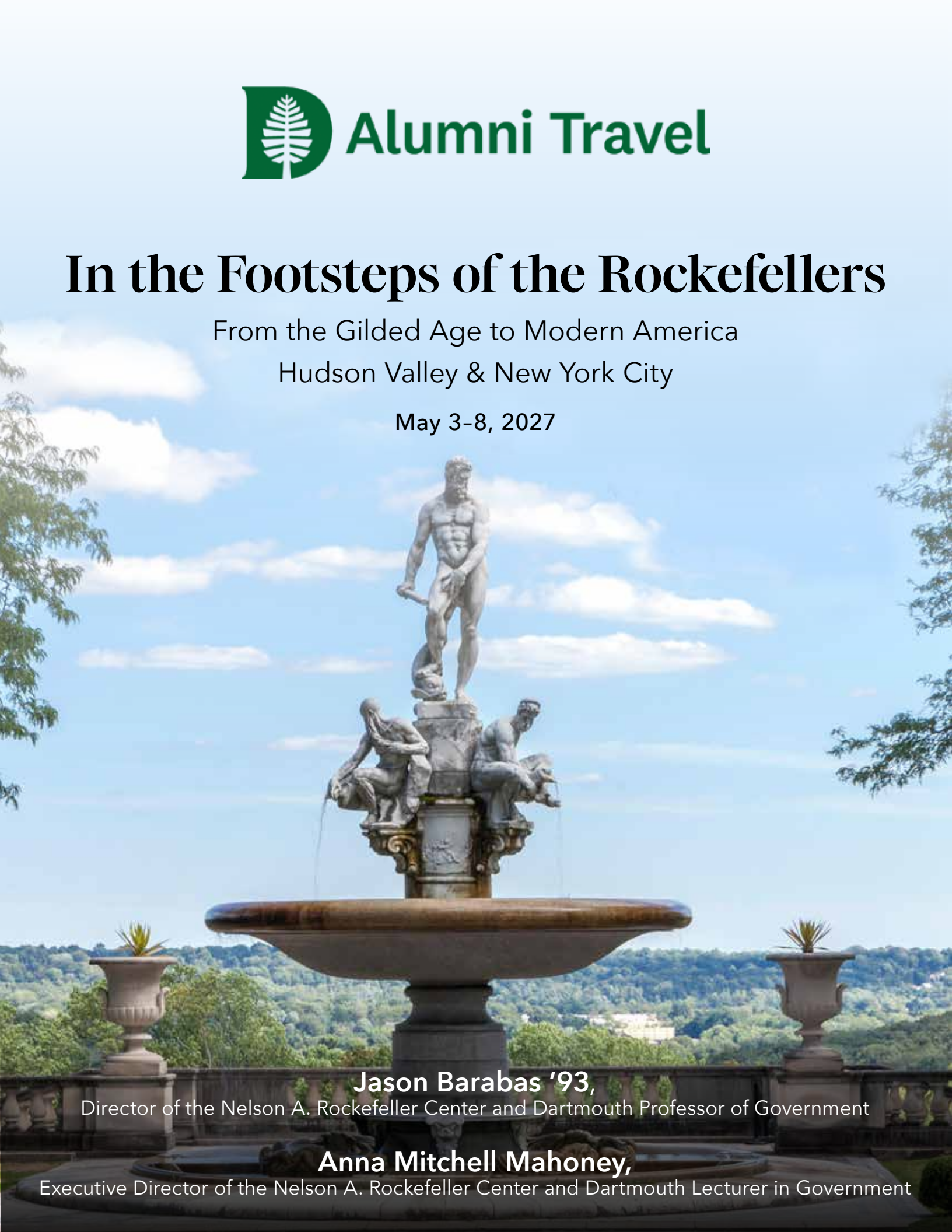
Alumni Travel

In the Footsteps of the Rockefellers

From the Gilded Age to Modern America

Hudson Valley & New York City

May 3–8, 2027



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Dear Alumni, Family, and Friends of Dartmouth,

Standard Oil founder **John D. Rockefeller Sr.** amassed one of the greatest fortunes of America's Gilded Age, establishing a family legacy that would shape American business, politics, philanthropy, and public life for generations. His grandson, **Nelson A. Rockefeller '30**, served four terms as governor of New York (1959–1973) and embodied the family's commitment to public service and civic leadership. That legacy continues at Dartmouth through the Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences, established in his memory with the support of the Rockefeller family.

From **May 3 to 8, 2027**, join us as we travel from the **Hudson Valley** to **New York City** to explore the Rockefeller family's remarkable influence, from the Gilded Age through the twentieth century. Visit extraordinary estates and art collections, and discover how the Rockefellers and their contemporaries helped shape modern America. Throughout the journey, gain a deeper understanding of the family's influence on American history, politics, and public life through insights from the leadership of Dartmouth's Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences.

In **Albany**, privately tour **Empire State Plaza**, Nelson's monumental government complex, and its remarkable collection of modern art, including works by Pollock and Rothko. Nelson shared his mother **Abby Aldrich Rockefeller**'s passion for modern art, bringing it into the halls of state government.

Downriver, visit **Olana**, the Persian-inspired home of Hudson River School painter Frederic Edwin Church, which Nelson helped save from auction in 1966. In **Hyde Park**, explore railroad heir Frederick Vanderbilt's Beaux-Arts mansion and **Springwood**, the home of Franklin D. Roosevelt, who gave Nelson his first federal appointment.

At **Kykuit**, the magnificent hilltop estate built for John D. Rockefeller Sr. and completed in 1913, explore the home of four generations of Rockefellers. Tour the residence, gardens, and galleries Nelson created for his modern art collection, including works by Picasso and Warhol. At nearby **Union Church of Pocantico Hills**, where the family worshipped, view Matisse's final commissioned work, a rose window honoring Abby, along with nine stained-glass windows by Marc Chagall.

In **Manhattan**, visit the restored Fifth Avenue mansion of steel magnate **Henry Clay Frick**, a Gilded Age contemporary of John D. Rockefeller Sr., completed just a year after Kykuit to house his extraordinary Old Master collection. Enjoy a before-hours welcome from the director of **The Frick Collection**. Then visit the **Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)**, which Abby co-founded and Nelson later led, and tour the **United Nations Headquarters**, built on land secured with an $8.5 million contribution from John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Please register online using a secure form, or contact Arrangements Abroad at 800-221-1944 or trips@arrangementsabroad.com.

We hope you will join Dr. Barabas and Dr. Mahoney for this exploration of the Rockefeller family's enduring legacy in American life.

Warm regards from Hanover,

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Monday, May 3:

Arrival in Albany, New York **(D)**

Arrive independently in **Albany**, New York, and check into the **Renaissance Albany Hotel**, housed in the former DeWitt Clinton Hotel, a longtime gathering place for New York politicians.

This evening, gather for an introductory lecture, followed by dinner with the group.

Tuesday, May 4:

Albany / Hudson / Rhinebeck **(B,L,D)**

Take in views across Albany and the **Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza** from the **Corning Tower** observation deck. Continue with a private tour of the plaza, a striking modernist government complex conceived in the 1960s to transform downtown Albany.

Next, visit the **New York State Capitol**, where Rockefeller served four terms as governor before becoming vice president of the United States. Tour the Executive Chamber and Red Room, and see the Million Dollar Staircase, known for its detailed stone carvings, including hundreds of sculpted faces.



New York State Capitol, Albany



Olana, Hudson

Explore the **Empire State Plaza Art Collection** on a private tour, viewing works by Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko, and Helen Frankenthaler. Also see Alexander Calder's sculpture *Triangles and Arches*, which stands on the plaza.

Following lunch, travel to **Hudson** for a guided tour of **Olana**, the historic home and estate of Hudson River School painter **Frederic Edwin Church**. See its Persian-inspired architecture, richly decorated interiors, and commanding position above the Hudson River, all reflecting Church's artistic vision.

Continue to **Rhinebeck** and check into **Mirbeau Inn & Spa Rhinebeck**, a boutique hotel with Parisian-style architecture and contemporary spa amenities. Gather for dinner at the hotel this evening.

Wednesday, May 5:

Rhinebeck / Hyde Park / Beacon **(B,L)**

After a **morning lecture**, travel to **Hyde Park** for a guided tour of the **Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site**, a magnificent 54-room Gilded Age residence designed by McKim, Mead & White, one of the era's most influential architectural firms. Admire its opulent interiors, original furnishings, and sweeping views of the Hudson River and Catskill Mountains.

Enjoy lunch at the **Culinary Institute of America**, whose Hudson Valley campus occupies the former St. Andrew-on-Hudson Jesuit seminary.

Then tour **Springwood**, the lifelong home of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Discover the estate where he was born, spent much of his life, and was laid to rest alongside his wife, Eleanor.

Continue to **Beacon** and check into **Mirbeau Inn & Spa Beacon**, a French-inspired resort centered on a restored mid-19th-century mansion amid wooded grounds and gardens.

Enjoy dinner and the evening at leisure.

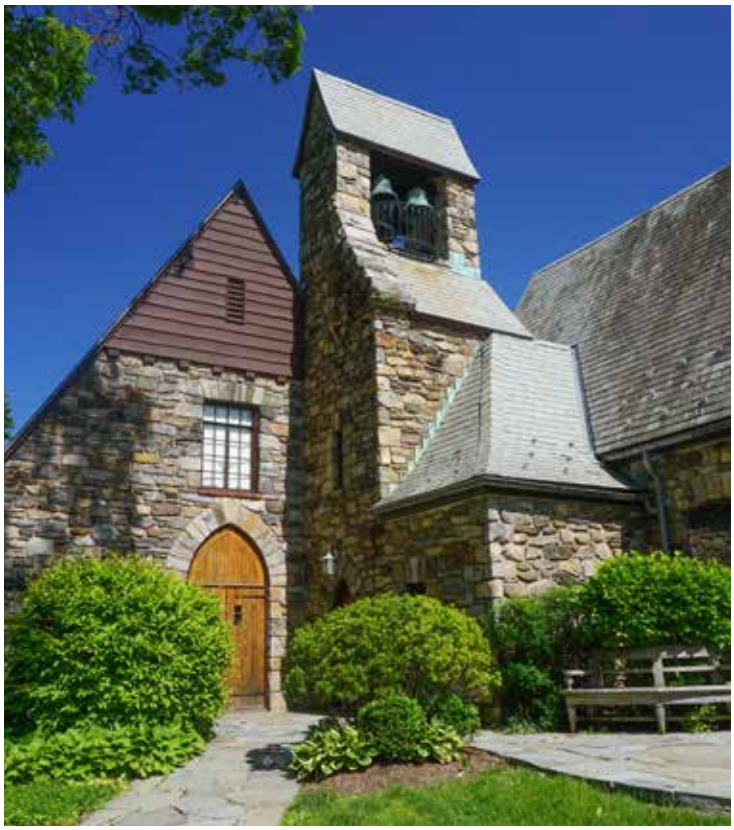
Thursday, May 6:

Beacon / Tarrytown / Pocantico Hills / New York City
(B,L)

Start with a morning lecture before traveling to **Tarrytown** for a guided tour of **Kykuit**, the Rockefeller family estate completed in 1913 and home to four generations of the family. Its Dutch name means "lookout," a reference to the estate's hilltop setting above the Hudson River.



Springwood, Hyde Park



Union Church of Pocantico Hills

Explore the residence, its underground art galleries featuring works by **Pablo Picasso** and **Andy Warhol**, and gardens where **Nelson Rockefeller** assembled a major collection of modern sculpture.

Continue to **Union Church of Pocantico Hills**, the Rockefeller family's place of worship, to see **Henri Matisse**'s final commissioned work, the *Rose Window*, and nine stained-glass windows by **Marc Chagall**.

Enjoy lunch at **Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture**, housed in the Rockefellers' former dairy complex. John D. Rockefeller Jr. commissioned its Normandy-style stone buildings in the 1930s.

After lunch, stroll through the courtyard and visit the Farm Shop.

Visit the **Rockefeller Archive Center** at **Hillcrest**, the former estate of **Martha Baird Rockefeller**, to learn how the family's philanthropic work grew from its Standard Oil fortune.

Continue to the **Pocantico Center**, where the Rockefeller Brothers Fund maintains historic family properties and supports arts and educational programs.

At **Abeyton Lodge**, the family's former Playhouse, see a recreational retreat with a bowling alley and an indoor tennis court. The Rockefeller brothers established their philanthropic fund here in 1940.



The Frick Collection, New York City

Tour the **Marcel Breuer House**, designed for the Museum of Modern Art's 1949 garden exhibition. Rather than demolish it afterwards, John D. Rockefeller Jr. had the house moved to Pocantico Hills.

Conclude with the **Japanese Garden and Teahouse**, whose original garden design dates to 1908. Japanese architect **Junzō Yoshimura** designed the teahouse in the early 1960s.

Continue to **New York City** and check into your hotel. Enjoy dinner and the evening at leisure.

Friday, May 7:

New York City **(B,L,D)**

Like John D. Rockefeller Sr., steel magnate Henry Clay Frick amassed a fortune during the Gilded Age, transforming industrial wealth into a legacy of art and architecture. Following a morning lecture, visit **The Frick Collection** for a before-hours director's welcome and guided tour of its restored Fifth Avenue mansion.

Explore galleries reopened in 2025 after a major renovation, including the Frick family's former private living quarters, now accessible to visitors for the first time.

Continue to **Radio City Music Hall**, the Art Deco theater opened in 1932 as part of John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s ambitious Midtown development. On a guided tour, admire its lavish interiors and immense auditorium, which originally seated nearly 6,000 people.

Enjoy lunch at **Rockefeller Center**, followed by a walking tour of the complex. Built during the Great Depression, the project employed tens of thousands of workers and transformed Midtown Manhattan.

Next, tour the **United Nations Headquarters**, built on land purchased in 1946 with an $8.5 million gift from John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Later, visit the **Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)**, co-founded in 1929 by **Abby Aldrich Rockefeller**, who helped establish a permanent home for modern art in New York.

Conclude with **a festive farewell dinner**.

Saturday, May 8:

New York City / Return **(B)**

Following breakfast, check out and depart independently.

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Rockefeller Center, New York City

Accommodations

Renaissance Albany Hotel
Housed in the historic former DeWitt Clinton Hotel across from the New York State Capitol, this property combines original marble and woodwork details with modern design.

Mirbeau Inn & Spa Rhinebeck
This 49-room boutique hotel in Rhinebeck's historic village center features Parisian-style architecture, elegant interiors, and contemporary spa and wellness amenities.



Mirbeau Inn & Spa, Rhinebeck

Mirbeau Inn & Spa Beacon
Opened in May 2026, this 72-room resort occupies a historic 64-acre estate dating to the 19th century. It includes Monet-inspired gardens, a 25,000-square-foot spa, and French-American dining.



Mirbeau Inn & Spa Beacon

Thompson Central Park New York *(or similar)*
Steps from Central Park and Carnegie Hall, this 42-story hotel features mid-century modern design and guest rooms overlooking the Manhattan skyline. The Museum of Modern Art is also within walking distance.



Thompson Central Park New York

Program Rate
$6,999 per person, double rate
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- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
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Map of the region



Olana, Hudson

Cover photo: Kykuit, Tarrytown

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