

How You Can Fly in Luxury Inside Etihad's Apartment Suite Using Miles and Points

Etihad is the most luxurious airline out there. They have by far the most unique and lavish features in any aircraft.

A member of the Million Mile Secrets team [recently flew in Etihad's First Class Apartment](#) from Abu Dhabi (AUH) to New York City (JFK) [using Marriot / Sherwood points which he converted to Asiana Airlines miles at a 3:1 ratio.](#)

It's no surprise that Etihad's Apartment is one of the best ways to fly. By using [travel credit cards](#), you can book a flight in one of these First Class Apartments too!

Etihad's First Class Apartment

Etihad's Apartments are private suites with a sofa that converts into a full bed, a reclining chair, an onboard shower, vanity mirror and toiletries, and personalized chauffer service (only in Abu Dhabi). This is all enclosed in Etihad's private first-class cabin, where all the apartments are closed off by sliding doors to give you privacy during your flight.

Hearing all that sounds like a lot of money. And **it is**. When I searched for a flight on Etihad's Apartment suite from New York (JFK) to Abu Dhabi (AUH) a ticket goes for **~\$16,000 one way**.

Not only is the Apartment pricey, but it is only available on the A380 aircraft, which flies to and from the following destinations:

- London to Abu Dhabi
- Melbourne to Abu Dhabi
- New York to Abu Dhabi
- Paris to Abu Dhabi
- Sydney to Abu Dhabi

How to Book the First Class Apartments Using American Airlines AAdvantage Miles

There are a few options to book the First Class Apartments on one of these flights by using points.

You can book [Etihad flights using American Airlines miles](#) because they are in the OneWorld alliance.

A one-way flight in the First Class Apartment from New York to Abu Dhabi requires at least ~130,000 AAdvantage miles. The New York to Abu Dhabi route is the most expensive of all the

A380 routes. Upon further research, the Abu Dhabi to Paris (CDG) route in the Etihad Apartment only required a **minimum of ~85,000 miles**.

You will need a minimum of
85,001 miles
for a one way flight from Abu Dhabi
to Paris in first class

Book now

This can be made possible by using the **~70,000 American Airlines AAdvantage bonus miles** from the [CitiBusiness® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Mastercard®](#) and the **~50,000 AAdvantage miles bonus** from the [Citi® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Elite™ Mastercard®](#).

The [CitiBusiness® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Mastercard®](#) has a sign up bonus of **~70,000 American Airlines AAdvantage miles** after spending ~\$4,000 within the first 4 months of account opening. There is an annual fee of \$99 that is waived for the first year and no foreign transaction fees. Read our extensive review of the [CitiBusiness® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Mastercard®](#).

The best thing about the [CitiBusiness® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Mastercard®](#) is because of the lucrative sign-up bonus, [this card will NOT appear on your personal credit report!](#)

The [Citi® / AAdvantage® Platinum Select® World Elite™ Mastercard®](#) has a **sign-up bonus of ~50,000**. You'll earn **~40,000 American Airlines AAdvantage miles** after spending ~\$2,000

in the first 3 months of account opening. Plus, an additional **~10,000 miles after making a total of ~\$6,000 in purchases** in the first 6 months. This card has an annual fee of ~\$99 and that fee is waived the first year. Read our review of [Citi AAdvantage Platinum Select](#).

These bonuses combined makes for **~150,000 American Airlines AAdvantage miles**. Which is enough for an off-peak one-way flight on Etihad's First Class Apartment by using miles.

One downside is this cannot be booked on American Airline's website, you'll **have to call AAdvantage® Reservations at 800-882-8880**.

Other Ways to Book the Etihad First Class Apartments

Alternatively, our team member [booked his First Class Apartment flight](#) from Abu Dhabi to New York City by [transferring Marriot / Starwood points](#).

He was able to [convert his Marriot / Sherwood points to Asiana Airlines miles at a 3:1 ratio](#). He booked his flight using **~80,000 Asiana Airlines miles** for a one-way First Class Apartment ticket on Etihad.

Another method is transferring [American Express Membership Rewards](#) points and [Citi ThankYou](#) points to Etihad Guest miles at a 1:1 ratio. But the award prices are much higher with Etihad Guest.

Bottom Line

The Etihad Apartment is an extravagant way to travel at ~38,000 ft. You don't need thousands of dollars to fly in this first class cabin. By [using American Airlines miles](#), [converting Marriot / Sherwood points to Asiana Airlines miles](#), or transferring [American Express Membership Rewards](#) points, you can fly in Etihad's First Class Apartment too!

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