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Since we are all dreaming of travelling, might as well dream of going to space.

There are so many references to the hopelessness of this pandemic on our page, that we ask for your apology. Thankfully, the rich are still getting on with their lives like ever before, so we can have our fill of entertainment news to distract us. But this time the rich are going a little further than partying on a private island. They are off to space.

A California-based startup Orbital Assembly Corporation is planning to begin construction of the world's first space hotel in 2025. It could be operational as early as 2027 with all the amenities of a regular hotel, but in space. Luxury villas, hotel suites, gym, restaurant, and bar, basically everything boring rich people find entertaining. Do not ask us about the risks of having 400 super rich people, who probably decide our fate, on the same spaceship. 'Keeping all the eggs in one basket' is an understatement in this situation.

For the nerds, there is some science stuff we picked up from the web. Stuff like, 'our planned orbit and elevation for voyager station is 97 deg and 500-550 km', and how 'this is a sun-synchronous polar orbit that will reduce thermal stress and allow for almost continuous solar power generation. there, orbit degradation and space debris risk will be nominal.' as tweeted by Orbital Assembly.

From what we understood, one can still use toilet facilities, showers, and beds like on Earth because of simulated gravity. What else do you need? Well, we need a lot of things to get better right here on earth.