

## BIG DEAL/RESIDENTIAL REALES



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### PLAZA HOTEL AREA      \$2.85 Million

781 Fifth Avenue  
(Sherry Netherland)

Francis Ford Coppola's ninth-floor co-op at the Sherry Netherland Hotel is on the market for \$2.85 million. The 2,000-square-foot apartment — with two bedrooms and a library — has killer views of Central Park and Sherman's horse, along with full hotel services that include having the bed turned down every night. Room

service from Cipriani, anyone?

Mr. Coppola, who directed the "Godfather" movies, is selling because "he's buying a building in Little Italy, to live and work in," said Roger Erickson, the real estate agent handling the sale for William B. May. "He's already found a building he likes," Mr. Erickson added.

The director has owned the co-op since the 1970's; he often rented out the front half (the living room and bedroom facing the park) when he was away. Mr. Erickson said this covered the \$7,770 monthly maintenance. Somewhat surprisingly, the living room is decorated in early Mario Buatta, with red-chintz-covered club chairs and shirred yellow-printed draperies. The bedroom is a homage to Art Deco: a narrow canopy around the blue-velvet-covered bed is underpinned with rectangular lights.

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