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## City Circus

# treading the line between budget and lovely with remarkable balance...

Rob Wilkes • 5 September, 2012



Seemingly, the hip hostel trend continues apace. And, like a practised acrobat, Athen's City Circus manages to walk that fine line between budget and lovely with remarkable balance. The dorms are smart, clean and solid looking, with spick and

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span bathrooms to match. The shared spaces are stylishly kitted out with interesting and non-matching chairs and the whole place has what you might call character.

That character is typified by the striking balance between vintage and whimsical employed by the City Circus team – aka Epaminondas Skorpideas and Dimosthenis Misentzis – whilst the wall art (dealing very much in the latter), courtesy of Nevertheless, who also handle their delightful branding and graphics, is a real treat.

There's a list of facilities as long as your arm, and this outré outfit even offers bedtime stories on request. Not sure if they're joking – one suspects not. In the words of the management, run away and join the City Circus.



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