



A-Rod moving to apartment in NY's upper West Side

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New York Yankees slugger Alex Rodriguez is vacating the \$30,000 per month New York apartment he had been renting and has purchased a 3,600-square-foot on Manhattan's upper West Side.

Compared to the price of other similar condos in his new building, which the New York Daily News reports cost upward of \$6.5 million, A-Rod's former Central Park West pad was a relatively cheap apartment. He had been renting that apartment since his divorce to ex-wife Cynthia, but he became enamored with his new Rushmore penthouse, according to the building's contractor, Extell Development.



He "loved the building, the park and the water views, but we think that the clincher was the baseball field outside the front door," the company said in a statement.

The four-bedroom, four-bath apartment includes a theater, spa, gym and basketball court.

Its cost certainly won't be a problem - as baseball's highest-paid player, Rodriguez is due to make \$31 million this year alone, his fourth in a 10-year contract he signed with the Yankees after the 2007 season. Meanwhile, other Manhattan residents are on the lookout for more affordable [New York cheap apartments](#) - CitiHabitats reported the borough's vacancy rate dropped in January.