

Inside the Brooklyn jail housing Maduro

Ousted Venezuelan president Nicolás Maduro is facing a legal battle that could take years as he awaits trial for narcoterrorism offences in one of the worst prisons in New York



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PRISON CONDITIONS

Maduro and his wife, **Cilia Flores**, are likely segregated from other inmates, in separate, solitary cells

■ **Inmate:** Spends up to 23 hours a day locked in, with meals delivered to cell

■ **Exercise:** One hour a day in small caged area

■ **Health visits:** Daily

■ **Shower:** Access three times a week

■ **Legal provisions**
Daily scheduled time with lawyer. Limited access to phone calls

METROPOLITAN DETENTION CENTRE, BROOKLYN

Maduro (left) captured by U.S. troops on Jan 3, 2026

Founded: 1994

Inmates: About 1,300 men and women



Jail previously described by judges and lawyers as "hell on earth" has history of power outages, staffing shortages and detainee complaints

Cell size

Approx.
2m x 3m



Mirror, sink, toilet
Stainless steel

Fixed desk

Security camera

Steel door

Steel-framed bed
Wool blanket and thin mattress

Small window