

Tablet Reveals the 25 Coolest Hotels in the World



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The Dewberry - Charleston, Soutfh Carolina

This new boutique hotel is in the downtown Charleston landmark formerly known as the Mendel L. Rivers Federal Building now bears the name of John Dewberry, the Atlanta developer who spent the better part of a decade transforming the structure. He commissioned local artisans to apply a custom-made gray limewash to the exterior. He didn't just perk up the flowerbeds, he built a romantic walled garden evocative of old-world Charleston, then modeled the design of the hotel's spa on his personal carriage house. Practically every surface throughout the lobby, living areas, and guest rooms is made of smooth stone or hard wood — cherry, oak, walnut, mahogany, travertine, Danby marble — while the furnishings are either vintage or bespoke and hand-crafted. Guest rooms have floor-to-ceiling windows, many with views over the Charleston Harbor, as well as original artwork and seasonal minibars curated by the Deberry's executive chef. Downstairs, a lovely living room awaits guests from noon till midnight. Go for tea in the afternoon, or a cocktail at the brass bar before dinner. Henrietta's, the onsite brasserie has quickly become a new staple on the Charleston dining scene.

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