

# DEPARTURES

## Our Editors' Favorite Cities of the Year

The 2020 Legend Awards honorees for our editors' favorite cities represent the global hubs that most excited us in the last year. From the [hidden corners of Paris](#) to the jazzed-up streets of New Orleans, these are the Departures editors' favorite cities around the world.

### Charleston, South Carolina



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"There are very few places in the world that embrace you, as a traveler, as an outsider, like Charleston. Stay at a hotel like the Dewberry, housed in a gorgeous, mid-century Federal building, and the head bartender will spend an hour talking to you about his favorite city spots. Walk into a shop like Croghan's Jewel Box, a darling gem of a store selling silver and estate pieces on King Street, and the family who owns the business will greet you like a long lost relative. And eat bone-marrow infused bread pudding over brunch at the MacIntosh, helmed by a wunderkind young chef, Ayanna John Carter, and you can see heart and youthful promise in the city's ever-changing culinary scene." — Jacqui Gifford, *Travel + Leisure* Editor In Chief