



Doorman Paul Simmons at The Spectator Hotel.



CHARLESTON

Anchored by a rich history, South Carolina's oldest and second-largest city is constantly reinventing itself.

Why Now: The Holy City's to-be-expected Southern charm and East Coast prep remain as unchanging as its steeple-speckled skyline. But walk down any of Charleston's cobblestone streets and you'll quickly discover new hotels, craft eateries, creative cocktail spots and chic shops that are making their mark.

Where to Go: Opened in 2015, The Spectator Hotel—a boutique property boasting modern interior design reminiscent of the Prohibition era—is just steps away from the waterfront and the daily Charleston City Market (art, crafts and local bites). After an in-room, locally sourced breakfast, use one of the hotel's complimen-

tary bicycles to explore the many stores along nearby bustling King Street. Hit recent addition The Skinny Dip for upscale shopping on the first and second floors and frosé (frozen rosé) on the upstairs patio. Barbecue is a Southern requisite, and Rodney Scott's Whole Hog BBQ does it better than most; head north on King and

take a seat at a blue outdoor picnic table for pit-cooked pork sandwiches or ribs. Pro tip: Don't skip the banana pudding'. One-dollar oysters at happy hour bring the crowds to The Darling Oyster Bar, a bright seafood haven that opened last year in an early 1900s storefront. To wind down the day, sail Charleston Harbor aboard *The Schooner Pride* at sunset or head back to the hotel for a cocktail from The Bar's master bartender, Allen Lancaster, who crafts witty seasonal sips such as The Dude Imbibes and Ginseng Gin Sling.

— SYDNEY BERRY

HIT THE TOWN

- 📍 **Husk**
Romantic restaurant where menus are reinvented daily.
- 📍 **Goat.Sheep.Cow.**
A new outpost of the beloved specialty cheese shop offers seating, wine and meat.
- 📍 **Blue Bicycle Books**
This local favorite on King Street stocks new and used reads in every genre.



NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Play, discover and learn across three floors of interactive exhibits at Santa Barbara's new **MOXI, The Wolf Museum of Exploration+ Innovation** • Marble bathrooms, walk-in closets and unbeatable views from the 48th-floor pool await at the now-open **Waldorf Astoria Chengdu** in China • Cute alert: Nayara Resorts in Costa Rica has debuted a **Sloth Sanctuary** where guests can while away hours watching the slow-moving mammals • Star chef Jean-Georges Vongerichten returns to London with **Jean-Georges at The Connaught**, an all-day eatery in the heart of Mayfair • Japanese audio culture has arrived in NYC in the form of **Tokyo Record Bar**, a tiny spot spinning vinyl and serving sake, beer, cocktails and food.



PINK DRINKS

CÓDIGO 1530 ROSA TEQUILA

This tequila comes by its good looks naturally: After distillation, the spirit is aged for one month in uncharred French white oak cabernet barrels, giving it a light blush color and a fun, floral vibe. \$64.99



WÖLFFER "PINK" GIN

Change up your gin game with this version that combines slowly distilled rosé wine with hand-picked juniper berries, a handful of spices and a hint of mint. Your G&Ts will never be the same. \$34



LIDESTRI PINK LEMON LIQUEUR

This sweet and tart citrus liqueur is ready to mix and mingle. Blend it with a little sparkling wine, club soda or lemonade for a drink that will be the life of the party. \$19.99

