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# Most Romantic Hotels in Charleston







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Who hasn't fallen in love in Charleston? Or at least in love again? I sure have. Blame it on the beautiful colors and sweetsmelling flowers all around. You can wander with your sweetie on the old streets of this city and find tucked-away gardens—the feeling of romance is alive and well. Restaurants serve delicious food at cozy booths; art, wine, and floral shops seem to pop up on unlikely blocks, and



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when church doors open, out spills yet another wedding party. All you need is a place to stay. Lodging in Charleston is full of romantic details, just like the city itself. Often located in restored historic buildings, hotels and inns include elements of classic southern décor and traditions-well-furnished parlors and four-poster beds, brandy and port in the evenings at the Wentworth Mansion, coffee on the piazza at Zero George. Sea breezes for all. Here are a few of the most romantic hotels in Charleston.

Credit: Foursquare

#### 1 Zero George

I love this place, and it looks like New Yorkers, Euro travelers, and locals (at the café), are making it a darling of Charleston. Nothing frumpy here, Zero George is a collection of historic houses around a courtyard, and the rooms are elegantly classic and modern. Cooking classes, and fantastic wine, and cheese boards are all available, as well.

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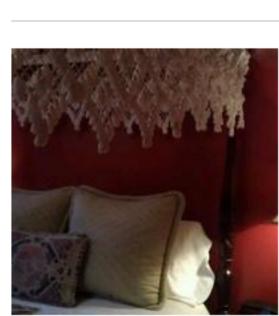
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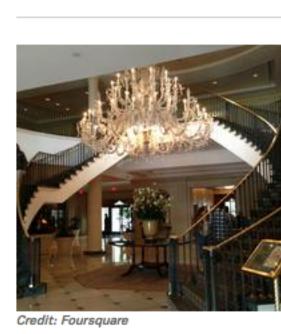
## 2 Wentworth Mansion

This is the grandest house in the neighborhood, and if you're lucky enough to go, ask to see the rooftop cupola for a rare view of the city in all directions-most locals haven't had the chance. Both the on-site, circa-1886 restaurant and the inn itself win accolades year after year.



# 3 Governor's House Inn

One of the sweetest 18th-century guestrooms at Governor's House has a big four-poster bed and tall walls painted a rich cabernet. Speaking of wine, you can dip into the inn's stock of sherry—the decanter is on a silver tray in the parlor. Then sink into deep cushions of the wicker furniture on the wide verandah.



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### 4 Belmond Charleston Place

Between busy King and Meeting streets at Market Street downtown, Belmond Charleston Place offers guests a gleaming lobby of marble and sparkling chandeliers, and terrific soft bedding in the rooms upstairs. You can hide away on upper floors-including at what feels like a supersecret spa and rooftop pools.



## 5 Planters Inn

My cousin and her groom held their wedding reception in the brick courtyard here, and everything was the picture of southern romance. Originally an 1840s cotton warehouse in the Market, the inn's guest rooms are outfitted with four-poster beds, Italian linens and plush furniture in sitting areas-for tea or cocktail hour.

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