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Hotels With Flair

Accommodations at Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center.

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From grand dames to hip hangouts, stylish hotels across the U.S. are making their debuts or getting a refresh.

A Miami Darling

The historic **Biltmore Hotel** in Coral Gables opened its doors back in 1926, and a recent multimillion dollar renovation has made it even more of a stunner. The refresh to the guestrooms and suites harks back to Old World glamour, with royal hues, luxurious materials, elegant furniture pieces, and chandeliers hanging over the beds. In addition, the property's 18-hole golf course has also gone through a renovation that restored it to the original 1925 Donald Ross course plan.

"This historic landmark is a treasure of the City of Coral Gables, and the newly redesigned elements allow us to highlight the hotel's old-world feel while exceeding today's modern-day standards of hospitality and golf offerings," says Gene Prescott, president and CEO of The Biltmore Hotel.

On the West Coast

Located at the midpoint between L.A. and San Francisco in San Luis Obispo, **The Kinney SLO**, which opened a couple of months ago, mixes recreation with relaxation. Each Kinney property is highly localized and staffed to equip visitors with insider access to some of the best spots in the area. The casual vibe here is conveyed via fire pits, strung lights, and beanbag chairs in the courtyard and cozy lounge spaces indoors, as well as with old school games such as Scrabble and Lite Bright. The onsite Leroy's eatery offers comfort food such as smoked bacon mac and cheese, and self-serve beer and wine offerings. This 100-room and -suite property exudes a hip luxe

flair, and we're loving the accommodation options like the *Grad Suite*, *Professor's Suite*, or the *Dean's Suite*. Use promo code **GO25** for 25 percent off room rates and a \$25 dining credit when booked by Dec. 31 for travel by Feb. 28, 2019.

Vintage Savannah

Georgia's original 1912 historic power plant area, Plant Riverside District, is undergoing a \$275 million redevelopment set along the Savannah River. Anchoring the new district is a 419-guestroom **JW Marriott** property that will encompass three boutique hotels spread across separate buildings—the **Three Muses Building**, the **Power Plant Building** (housed in the original 1912 Georgia Power Plant) both opening summer 2019, and **The Atlantic Building**, opening in 2020. The new district will offer high-end retail spaces, 13 food and beverage options including three rooftop bars, and a live music venue in partnership with Live Nation.

A Wellness Getaway

The **Miraval Austin**, a wellness-focused, all-inclusive destination resort and spa overlooking Lake Travis, has made its debut. The 117-room and -suite property features a *Life in Balance Spa*, *Body*, *Mindfulness Center*, a Cypress Creek Farm and Ranch, a Life in Balance Culinary Kitchen, a Hill Country Challenge Course, a Yoga Barn, Mindful Journey meditation spaces, and two infinity pools. In addition, the property's Hilltop Crossings Kitchen will serve Miraval's mindful cuisine, plus guests can enjoy treats at the Discovery pool cafe and The Nest. All packages include accommodations, nightly resort credit to use for spa services and

private sessions, all gourmet meals, non-alcoholic beverages, and shuttle services from the airport, plus unlimited access to daily wellbeing activities including meditation, outdoor adventure, hiking, yoga, tai chi, farm activities, and culinary experiences, among other amenities. Nutritional guidance is also available such as mindful eating lessons, and various workshops.

Ideal Bleisure Booking

Set for a soft opening this month, with a grand opening in March, **Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center** will be the largest combined hotel and convention center in Colorado with over 1,500 guestrooms including 114 suites. This mountain getaway in Aurora is an ideal hotel for combining business with leisure as in addition to convention center space, it offers guests an onsite lazy river, family lagoon, waterslide, waterfalls, and private cabanas, shopping, an arcade, and miniature golf, plus a sports bar that will offer two Gaylord-specific beers. There are also onsite eateries featuring American, Asian, and Italian fares, as well as a 17-room European-style spa with an ice fountain.

Hip Chicago

Located in Chicago's West Loop area, home to the famed Restaurant Row, the 115-room and -suite **Nobu Hotel Chicago** will open summer 2019. Guests will have access to a fitness center with Technogym equipment, as well as a spa and indoor pool. Of course, there'll be a 10,000-sq.-ft. Nobu restaurant, plus a Nobu on the Roof concept featuring indoor and outdoor bar space overlooking Randolph Street's "Restaurant Row." ■