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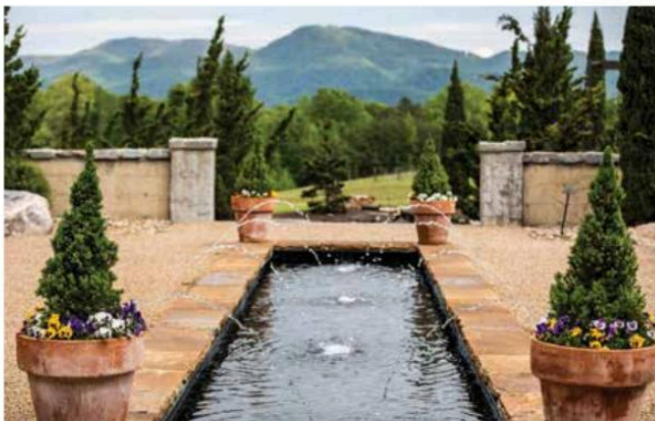
# CYCLING THROUGH EUROPE (or so it feels)

Hotel Domestique |  
Traveler's Rest, South Carolina

Named for the racing position professional cyclist George Hincapie held in his Tour de France career, the Hotel Domestique provides an elevated biking experience in a bucolic mountain setting. Located just outside Greenville, South Carolina, the resort has the look and feel of something straight out of the Italian countryside. Tall slender cypress trees line the terrace of the barrel-tiled roof with stucco-façade. The muted palette of the décor is punctuated by a punchy orange which feels richly Mediterranean.

## GETTING THERE

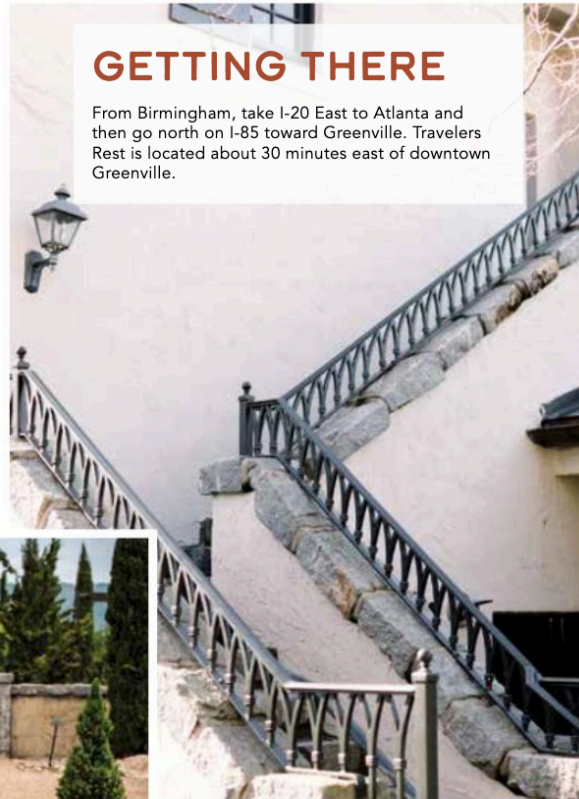
From Birmingham, take I-20 East to Atlanta and then go north on I-85 toward Greenville. Travelers Rest is located about 30 minutes east of downtown Greenville.



## WHAT TO DO

The main draw for Hotel Domestique is, quite simply, **biking**. The surrounding area is replete with enough hills and straightaways to engage riders of all skill levels. The Swamp Rabbit Trail in nearby downtown Travelers Rest is a popular trail and easy to navigate. Avid cyclists often arrive with their own bikes, but the hotel has a small fleet to accommodate riders as well. High-end road bikes, gravel bikes, mountain bikes and e-bikes are all available to rent for the day. The front desk has a thick binder, full of area rides, broken down by distance. You may also access local rides online at [ridewithgps.com](http://ridewithgps.com). Guests looking for a local guide should reach out to Justin Creech of **Blue Ridge Bike Tours** at 864-448-4184.

Aside from two-wheeled challenges, Hotel Domestique boasts a serene **pool and jacuzzi**, perfect for recovering from a ride or just enjoying some much-needed downtime. The fountained terrace and adjacent **firepit** make ideal settings for an afternoon glass of wine or nightcap. Guest rooms are well-appointed and each comes with a **Hypervolt percussion massager**, to really get the kinks out after a long bike—or car—ride.





## HIT THE ROAD



### Meet Your Travel Guide

Proud to call Birmingham home, Christiana Roussel loves discovering every corner of the Magic City. But the road beckons often. She's been known to make a wrong turn into the right choice, dig in with the locals and try to talk her way out of a speeding ticket or two. Curiosity drives her and finding connection is her passion.

## WHERE TO EAT

**Restaurant 17** (so named for the number of times George Hincapie competed in the Tour de France) is the hotel's on-site restaurant where Chef Haydn Shaak's seasonal menu is as inspired as it is wow-inducing. Guests looking to dine off-site should head to **Camp** in downtown Greenville, where Chef Drew Erickson is stunning diners with his world-class cuisine that employs techniques garnered working with Chef Thomas Keller in Yountville, California's, famous French Laundry. Come hungry and adventurous.

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