



24 Hours in Raleigh

How to make the most out of 24 hours in North Carolina's capital city!

Where to Stay

The Casso

Located between the Glenwood South and Warehouse Districts in downtown Raleigh, this incredibly-stylish and modern full-service property opened in March 2021. The vibrant 126-room, seven-story boutique hotel with locally-inspired décor includes event space and a plant-forward restaurant called Good Day Good Night.



AC Hotel Raleigh Downtown

Glenwood South's newest hotel blends European soul with a Southern perspective. 2021. The 146-room Summit Hospitality project is a stylish, urban hotel and includes the rooftop Willard Lounge with two outdoor terraces and indoor restaurant space serving tapas and craft cocktails. Opened late-September 2021.

The Umstead Hotel and Spa

Five Star and Five Diamond independently owned hotel drawing inspiration from art and nature. The property features stunning interiors punctuated with privately curated fine art, 150 spacious guest rooms and suites, world-class cuisine, a stimulating spa and a serene woodland setting. In late 2020, the hotel completed a \$14 million total renovation of its rooms, corridors, bar, lounge and Herons restaurant.

<u>Breakfast</u>

Big Ed's City Market Restaurant

If you're craving something down-home and Southern for breakfast, Big Ed's City Market Restaurant is the place to be. Known for hotcakes bigger than your hands, Big Ed's in City Market is the perfect spot for breakfast. Antiques and farm equipment hang from the ceiling, adding to the unique Southern charm of this Raleigh institution.

Benchwarmers Bagels at Transfer Co. Food Hall

Wood-fired bagels and craft coffee can be found at this collaboration between Raleigh's beloved Boulted Bread and Jubala Coffee. This is not your average bagel shop as the chef-driven menu includes cured lox with deviled egg spread.

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Morning

Experience why Raleigh's known as the Smithsonian of the South (all free to visit)

CAM Raleigh

The Contemporary Art Museum in Raleigh's Warehouse District showcases constantly changing exhibits that explore what's current and coming in the art and design world. CAM's goal is for visitors and the community to be inspired by and engage with the art.

NC Museum of History

A journey through the past of NC's history so that others, natives and visitors can learn of the lives our ancestors lived. Also includes the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame on the third floor.

NC Museum of Natural Sciences

Largest natural science museum in the Southeast with four floors of exhibits, live animals, 3D movies, gift stores and two cafes. The museum includes a Nature Research Center which is a mixture of a visitor destination, research hub and hands-on student laboratory.



Lunch

Beasley's Chicken + Honey

James Beard Foundation winning chef Ashley Christensen's low-key spot, there's nothing more Southern than fried chicken paired with champagne. Open for lunch or dinner.

Sam Jones BBQ

Third-generation pitmaster and James Beard semifinalist Sam Jones' newest namesake eatery in downtown Raleigh. Rooted in the tradition of NC whole-hog barbecue and tried-and-true Southern staples.

Year of BBQ:

Pitmastersacross the state are converging on Raleigh to make it the BBQ Capital of NC. Three BBQ joints have opened this year, with more on the way!



Afternoon

NC Museum of Art and Museum Park

More than 5,000 works of art spanning from antiquity to present day make up the bulk of masterpieces at NCMA, plus the largest museum art park in the country. Museum Park's 160+ acres include a vast trail system and 30 works of art surrounding the outside of the museum and along the trails and greenway paths.

Explore Raleigh's Warehouse District

Raleigh Denim Workshop

Artisan denim brand that uses vintage machines to create limited runs of men's and women's jeans.



Heirloom Brewshop

Heirloom offers guests a solace from the hustle and bustle of the city at this Asianinspired sanctuary offering coffee, tea, sake and food.

Father & Son Antiques

Mid-century antiques, vintage clothing and records.

Boxcar Bar + Arcade

Classic and modern arcade games.

Videri Chocolate Factory

Bean-to-bar chocolate factory.

Happy Hour

Raleigh Beer Garden

Guinness World Record holder for most beer on tap and largest selection of beer on draught in the world.

Trophy Brewing Company

Awarded craft brewery with wild and sour beer program and weekly beer releases.

Dinner

Cortez

Oscar Diaz's fresh seafood and cocktail restaurant with Mexican influence. Sourcing from local fisherman the menu offers a rotating selection of fresh oysters and sources responsibly caught seafood.



Poole's Diner

A trip to the City of Oaks isn't complete without visiting James Beard Awardwinning chef Ashley Christensen's flagship restaurant Poole's. The ever-changing chalkboard menu features seasonal vegetables as well as local meat products.

Night Cap

Bittersweet

Dessert, coffee and cocktail bar.

Watts & Ward

One of the largest underground speakeasies in the Southeast.

Now Open

Heights House Hotel & The Parlor

Created from an 1858 Italianate-style historic mansion in the Boylan Heights neighborhood, this majestic property has been lovingly restored. The property includes nine ensuite guest rooms. This National and Raleigh Historic Landmark is one of the few remaining pre-civil war houses in the area. New: The Parlor, a Italian influenced craft cocktail bar with an all-Italian wine list and local beers.



Coming Soon

North Carolina Freedom Park

A long-planned park aiming to honor the African American struggle for freedom and liberty for all broke ground in late 2020 just a few blocks from the N.C. State Capitol. The park will include quotes from famous Black residents engraved around the space, and a large sculpture in the middle of the park will shine a light into the night sky (the Beacon of Freedom) to reflect the fire for freedom. Designed by internationally-known late architect Phil Freelon, expected to open in mid-2023.

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