







The Dwell Hotel Chattanooga, Tennessee

The lowdown Deep Southern comfort with added curves. Best for Musos with a penchant for mid-century style. Less than a three-hour drive down Interstate 24 from music mecca Nashville lies Chattanooga, now a destination in its own right. This is the hotel to head to: a haven of mid-century originals, with the emphasis on the rare, offbeat and covetable. Much of the furniture and lighting was sourced by owner Seija Ojanpera, a dab hand at sniffing out the cream of auctions and online sales, from the US and Europe. Wallpapers work as vivid backdrops, from Fornasetti patterns to the Martinique lush-leaf motif, made famous by the Beverly Hills Hotel. The range of suites is dazzling, from the zingy shades and Sixties art of The Tiki to the tropical and teal of The Palm Springs, where the mood is set by Slim Aarons's iconic photo Poolside Gossip. The only way to start your evening is in similar style, tipple in hand at the in-house Matilda Midnight cocktail bar. Book it Double rooms from £185 (designhotels.com).

CLOCKWISE FROM MAIN PICTURE The Dwell Hotel's Matilda Midnight bar, the Mod Suite: the bathroom in the Palm Springs suite; pretty patterns in The Pink Lady suite; and the hotel's impressive lobby