

The newest hotel happenings have Atlantans saying, "I do!"

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four seasons hotel atlanta



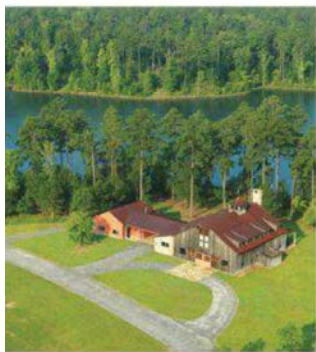
The five-star, five-diamond Midtown property just amped up the style quotient of its Grand Ballroom with glam touches such as dramatic drapery columns, crystal wall sconces on panels of silver leaf, and hand-applied gilded moldings to complement the room's enormous chandeliers. New LED lighting in the ceiling coves ensures

special ambient effects on demand.

IN THE KNOW The bride and groom receive a complimentary wedding-night suite, with champagne and strawberries. Also included: a hospitality suite for guests to mingle through the weekend.

BOOK IT \$25,000 is the food and beverage minimum to book the ballroom. 404-881-9898, fourseasons.com

the ritz-carlton lodge, reynolds plantation



This luxury Greensboro, Ga., property has added a rustic-chic venue to its lineup of wedding options: Sandy Creek Barn. The 3,000-square-foot, two-level

structure overlooks a 44-acre pond and was thoughtfully built with reclaimed timbers salvaged from an 1820s barn in Northern Pennsylvania, distressed wood siding repurposed from a historic Iowa barn, and flooring from a whiskey warehouse in Kentucky. The picturesque space features an intricate

antler chandelier centerpiece, as well as a covered terrace with a stacked stone fireplace. After-party, anyone? A lakeside fire pit and "game room" corner—housing foosball, mini-shuffle board, dartboard, pool table and poker table—are calling your guests' names.

IN THE KNOW Reynolds Plantation chef Yann Chupin oversees Southern specialties like a stone-ground grits bar, barbecue, Lowcountry hush puppies and fried green tomatoes. The barn rental fee and wedding packages include tables and chairs, a riser for the band or DJ, dance floor, table settings, place card table and a dedicated banquet concierge and service team.

BOOK IT \$5,000 to rent the space, with a minimum of 50 guests. Wedding packages start at \$135 per person. 706-467-0600, ritzcarltonlodge.com

the spa at mandarin oriental, atlanta

Forgo Vegas and debauchery? That's a no-brainer when you have a luxurious (and more affordable!) Day at the Spa with Your Girlfriends Package available right in your Buckhead backyard. Each guest enjoys a signature 80-minute Oriental Essence Body Massage to work out all those wedding-planning kinks or the Customized Holistic Facial for a glowing complexion, and will receive a goodie bag with spa treats to boot. There's no rush to head out right after your treatment, either—just order some bubbly and relax for the day, taking full advantage of this 15,000-square-foot spa's pampering amenities, like the heat and wet experiences, 60-foot lap pool and outdoor terrace overlooking the English garden.

IN THE KNOW The bride-to-be will also receive a complimentary Quintessence Body Scrub. Extend your celebration and you'll receive a 10 percent discount for lunch in The Cafe & Bar.

BOOK IT \$200 per person plus gratuity. 404-995-7526, mandarinoriental.com





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