

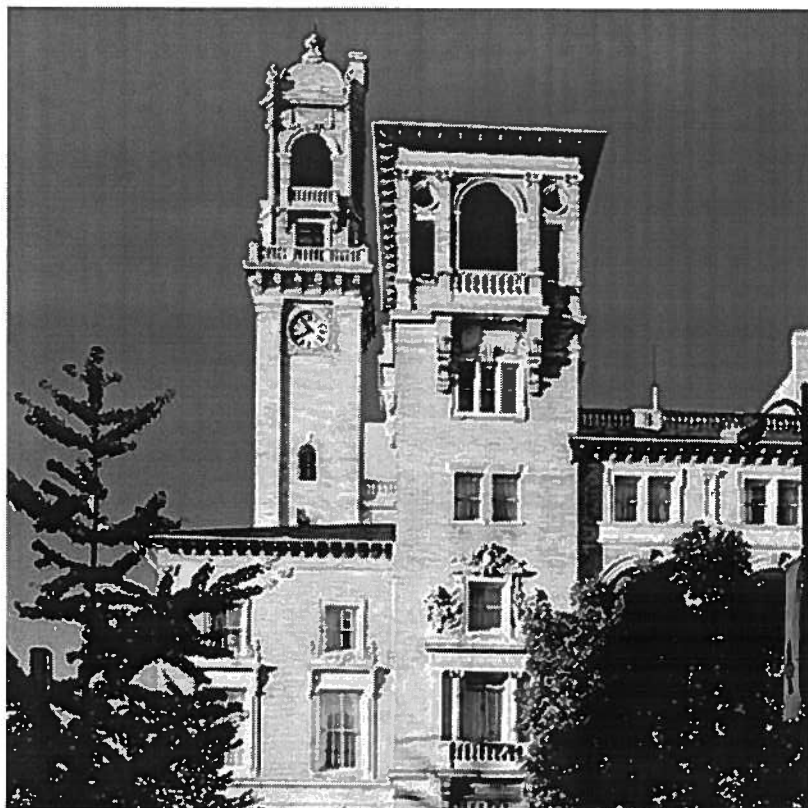
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Around Richmond

Designer Janie Molster shares her favorite places to stay, shop, and eat in Richmond



Courtesy of The Jefferson Hotel

Where To Stay

The Jefferson Hotel: It has a beautiful faux-marble columned lobby with a grand staircase. It's locally owned, and there are 57 different room configurations.

The address: 101 West Franklin St.,
800/424-8014

Where To Shop

Coplon's: Owner Hank Greenberg travels the globe to keep Richmond



Courtesy of V [for the home]

women chic and edgy. 6235 River Rd., 804/288-3699

Peter-Blair: My four sons and husband love it. Proprietor Dick Fowlkes holds court there and is as colorful as his in-house designed neckties. 5718 Grove Ave., 804/288-8123

Mongrel: Venture to this shop in Carytown for novelty gifts and the best greeting card selection. 2924 West Cary St., 804/342-1272

Pleasants Hardware: Helpful employees can find almost anything or have it made for you. 2024 West Broad St., 804/359-9381. For other locations, visit

V [for the home]: Owner Deborah Valentine keeps her tiny shop stocked with unusual treasures for the home, new and old at all price points. 5615 Patterson Ave., 804/282-4275

Where To Eat

Acacia Mid-town: Fresh, local ingredients. 2601 West Cary St., 804/562-0138

Can Can Brasserie: Casual French cuisine. 3120 West Cary St., 804/358-7274



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What To Do

A drive down **Monument Avenue** is a good place to start. This street, which has a mile-long stretch of cobblestone, is lined with beautiful row houses and commemorative statues. Richmonder Arthur Ashe's will be one of the first you'll pass; Robert E. Lee's, one of the last.

My favorite view of Richmond is from Libby Hill Park at 29th Street at Libby Terrace in historic Church Hill. From there you can walk to **St. John's**



Courtesy of Richmond Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau

Church (2401 East Broad St., 804/648-5015), where Patrick Henry delivered his "Give me liberty" speech in 1775.

More of Janie's Favorites

Anchored by nationally ranked **Virginia Commonwealth University's School of the Arts** (804/828-0100), the downtown arts scene is vibrant. At the monthly **First Fridays Artwalk** (804/344-1508), downtown galleries open their doors in the evening to students and collectors.

Bev Reynolds of the **Reynolds Gallery** (804/355-6553) has been a pivotal force in putting Richmond on the art world map.



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Architect Sandy Bond (804/232-8900) has designed a minimalist, industrial space for his wife at **Page Bond Gallery** (804/359-3633), which features emerging as well as nationally recognized artists.

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