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## Quick Tips for a Weekend Trip

From Jonathan Butler and Eric Demby, co-founders of Brooklyn Flea and Smorgasburg

Introducing an ongoing series featuring expert advice to help you recharge every weekend, so you'll have a Better Monday.

### Staying Together

**Eric:** Every year, my extended family goes on vacation together and stays at the same hotel. This year we're going to New Orleans, which is a fun city for young kids like ours. I'm happy to take a swamp tour, but really I want to eat my way through town.

### Keeping It Fresh

**Eric:** We want our staff members to be at the top of their game, so we always encourage them to get away when they need to decompress. Our director of operations just came back incredibly refreshed from a trip to Sonoma County.

### Avoiding the Crowds

**Jonathan:** It can be great to travel when no one else does. Go in the off-season or choose weekends when there are no big festivals, concerts or sporting events. You'll have your pick of hotels.

### Seeking the Sun

**Jonathan:** When it comes to winter getaways, I'll follow the sun. We've taken long weekends in the Bahamas and Mexico, and this year we're heading to a family tennis camp in Florida for a midwinter tune-up.

Introducing Westin Weekends. To get away and Make Your Monday Better, visit [westin.com/weekends](http://westin.com/weekends).

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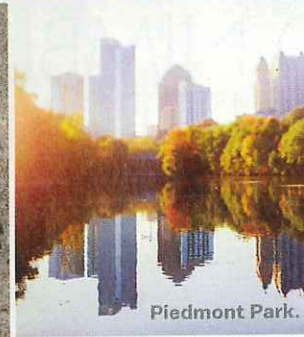
## Radar



Dancing Goats Coffee Shop, in Atlanta.



Fava bean hummus from 4th & Swift.



Piedmont Park.

## ESCAPES

# Easy A

Three ways to get your Southern fix in and around Atlanta.

### THE SANCTUARY

#### Piedmont Park

Honking horns give way to birdsong in **Piedmont Park's** ([piedmontpark.org](http://piedmontpark.org)) dense hardwood forest—made more accessible by a new set of footbridges and paved trails. Next year the leafy 200-acre park, set among Midtown's high-rises, celebrates its 110th anniversary by opening 12½ more acres, plus open-air classrooms for courses on sustainability. Save some time for a stroll through the adjoining **Atlanta Botanical Garden** ([atlantabotanicalgarden.org](http://atlantabotanicalgarden.org)), where asters, goldenrods, and other fall blooms are opening this month.

### THE NEIGHBORHOOD

#### Old Fourth Ward

History meets hip in the O4W, the birthplace of Martin Luther King Jr. A short walk—but worlds away—from MLK's **National Historic Site** ([nps.gov/malu](http://nps.gov/malu)) is kitschy bar **Sister Louisa's Church** ([sisterlouisaschurch.com](http://sisterlouisaschurch.com)), where Owen Wilson and Lady Gaga have been spotted playing Ping-Pong. At local favorite **4th & Swift** ([4thandswift.com](http://4thandswift.com); \$\$\$), chef Jay Swift puts an upscale spin on comfort food (pheasant-confit mac-and-cheese; pork loin with bourbon peaches). Need a pick-me-up? Head to **Dancing Goats Coffee Shop** ([batdorffcoffee.com](http://batdorffcoffee.com)) in the new food-centric Ponce City Market.

### THE DAY TRIP

#### Greenville, S.C.

This former mill town two hours northeast of Atlanta is a bastion of Southern charm. But it doesn't lack for big-city appeal: the old master paintings at **Bob Jones University Museum & Gallery** ([bjung.org](http://bjung.org)) are so impressive that Louvre curators have flown in to see them. Burn off the baked goat cheese from **Passerelle** ([passerelleinthepark.com](http://passerelleinthepark.com); \$\$) with a bike ride on the Swamp Rabbit Trail; rentals are available at **Pedal Chic** ([pedalchic.com](http://pedalchic.com)). Head north for nine miles until you reach **Café at Williams Hardware** ([cafeatwilliamshardware.com](http://cafeatwilliamshardware.com); \$\$), where pumpkin pie and lemonade await.

—ALLISON ENTREKIN