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There's a reason Charleston has been voted *America's Best City* three times over: the grits are spicy, the weather is warm, and the people are *oh-so charming*. This ain't a resort town either, ya'll-- the city's got a history as rich as a biscuit covered in gravy.

After the summer crowds ebb, late fall is Charleston's prime time. Craving some southern comfort before winter sets in? Here are 25 things worth the rush down to "Chucktown."

1. Seventy-six degree weather in November



2. Long cobblestone streets

3. The peanut butter burger at Poe's Tavern

4. College of Charleston basketball games



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5. The [Movember Celebration Finale](#), a small-town festival where your mustache could win the "Most Like Tom Selleck" award

6. A Sunday bike ride on Ravenel Bridge



7. The newly revamped dance floor at [Prohibition bar](#)

8. A [perfect bowl](#) of shrimp and grits

9. Sand between your toes and surfers galore at [Sullivan's](#) or [Folly Beach](#)



10. [She-crab soup](#), Charleston's signature dish made from the sweet meat of a female crab

11. The [Holiday Progressive Dinner](#), in which horse-drawn carriages shuttle you to three separate dining spots



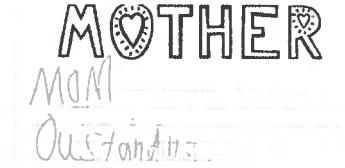
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12. Hand-woven palmetto roses



13. Country bands playing Daft Punk songs in the bars on King Street



14. Sunsets over the Cooper River



15. The incredibly large (and incredibly potent) Mason Jar Margarita at Yo Burrito

16. A drive across the causeway to Sullivan's Island

17. Spanish moss on oak trees





18. That casual stuffed wombat or deer head on the wall at every watering hole



19. Civil War cannons and a view of Fort Sumter at the Battery

20. The "Big Nasty Biscuit" at Hominy Grill



21. Window-shopping for mansions on Rainbow Row





22. [Second Sundays](#) on King Street, when vendors set up tables on the town's main drag to mingle with food trucks and music performers

23. Snack-cake-scented candles at [MoonPie General Store](#)



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24. Some [refreshingly friendly locals](#)

25. Blended mudslide cocktails served waterside at the [Charleston Harbor Resort](#)