# 100 THINGS TO DO IN COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA BEFORE YOU DIE

- ☐ **1.** Drive through Holiday Lights on the River at Saluda Shoals Park
- ☐ **2.** Kayak and/or tube along the Saluda, Congaree, and Broad Rivers
- ☐ **3.** Zip the Zoo at Riverbanks Zoo and Garden
- ☐ **4.** See a puppet show at the Columbia Marionette Theater
- ☐ **5.** Take a trip to the SC State Museum's Planetarium
- ☐ **6.** Experience the synchronized fireflies at Congaree National Park from May to June
- ☐ **7.** Pick strawberries at Cottle Farms mid-April through mid-June
- ☐ **8.** Pig out at Shealy's BBQ
- ☐ **9.** See a double header at The Big Mo drive-in movie theater in spring, summer, or fall
- ☐ **10.** See an indie flick at the Nickelodeon Theater
- ☐ **11.** Attend the annual Indie Grits Film Festival in the spring
- ☐ **12.** See free concerts on Main Street at the fall Jam Room Music Festival
- ☐ **13.** Ring in the New Year at the Famously Hot New Year celebration
- ☐ **14.** Channel your inner leprechaun at the St. Pat's in Five Points festival
- ☐ **15.** Suck crawfish at the Rosewood Crawfish Festival in May
- ☐ **16.** Serve a meal at Oliver Gospel Mission and/or Transitions
- ☐ **17.** Grab a seat at The Oyster Bar and let them do the shucking for you
- ☐ **18.** Eat at Columbia's oldest restaurant Villa Tronco
- ☐ **19.** Countdown the lighting of the State House Christmas tree and Hanukkah menorah
- ☐ **20.** Get a unique dish, like the three-flavored duck, at Baan Sawan Thai Bistro
- ☐ **21.** Get your taco fill on Taco Tuesday at The Whig
- ☐ **22.** Snack on the lamb mac & cheese on the patio at Terra
- ☐ **23.** Dine in Forest Acres at The Other Store, the speakeasy of Delis
- ☐ **24.** Eat like Guy Fieri of Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives at Pawley's Front Porch
- ☐ **25.** Pop in and out of shops during Devine Night Out in the fall
- ☐ **26.** Experience a Saturday at Soda City Market
- ☐ **27.** Cheer on Fireflies baseball at Segra Park in The BullStreet District
- ☐ **28.** Dress in theme for the annual Free Times Best of Columbia party
- ☐ **29.** Attend the annual South Carolina Gamecocks vs. Clemson Tigers Football Game
- ☐ **30.** Or go the extra mile by tailgating and attending one Gamecock game from every sport
- ☐ **31.** Spend an afternoon at Riverbanks Zoo and Botanical Garden
- ☐ **32.** Bike or walk the Three Rivers Greenway
- ☐ **33.** See the Purple Martins on Lake Murray from June to August
- ☐ **34.** Attend the fall Gervais Street Bridge Dinner in the fall or spring Dining on the Dam
- ☐ **35.** Make a fall date night out of the South Carolina State Fair, Fiske Fries and all
- ☐ **36.** See an exhibition at Columbia Museum of Art
- ☐ **37.** Run and slide through Big Eddie at Edventure
- ☐ **38.** Buy a gyro, loukoumades, or baklava at Columbia's Greek Festival in September
- ☐ **39.** Take a glass blowing class at One Eared Cow Glass
- ☐ **40.** Bike the Palmetto Trail: Peak to Prosperity Passage to see Civil War remnants
- ☐ **41.** Spend an evening at a Farm to Table dinner
- ☐ **42.** Bowl at the Quaker Steak & Lube gas station
- ☐ **43.** Watch the sunset at Liberty on the Lake
- ☐ **44.** Stop, shop, and dine at Trenholm Plaza
- ☐ **45.** Tour the State House grounds
- ☐ **46.** Have some foodie fun at the Columbia Food & Wine Festival in April
- ☐ **47.** Take a cooking class at Let's Cook Culinary Studio
- ☐ **48.** Catch a concert at The White Mule
- ☐ **49.** Stand beside the World's Largest Fire Hydrant
- ☐ **50.** Take a photo in front of Blue Sky's Tunnelvision mural
- ☐ **51.** Ride the rooster in The Vista
- ☐ **52.** Grab some late night mozzarella sticks from NightCaps
- ☐ **53.** Find your way through the corn maze at Clinton Sease Farm
- ☐ **54.** Tour local art workshops and galleries for free during Columbia Open Studios in the spring
- ☐ **55.** Nosh on pimento cheese and pita chips from Di Prato's
- ☐ **56.** Order the shrimp salad from Lillian's of Columbia
- ☐ **57.** Try southern comfort food at Yesterdays or Lizard's Thicket
- ☐ **58.** Pour 45 sauce on anything at Groucho's Deli
- ☐ **59.** Picnic on the historic Horseshoe at the University of South Carolina
- ☐ **60.** Take a selfie in front of the murals at Lincoln Street Tunnel
- ☐ **61.** Follow Sally the Salamander around downtown Columbia
- ☐ **62.** Have a cocktail at Motor Supply Co. Bistro or a glass of wine at Lula Drake
- ☐ **63.** Pick up produce at the South Carolina State Farmers Market
- ☐ **64.** Add your love lock to the Lake Murray Dam
- ☐ **65.** Enjoy the view at Top of Carolina, SC's only 360° rotating restaurant
- ☐ **66.** Taste a tomato pie from McCutchen House Dining
- ☐ **67.** Take a haunted moonlight tour of Elmwood Cemetery
- ☐ **68.** Indulge in the hangover hashbrowns at Cafe Strudel
- ☐ **69.** Rewind time with a Zesto of West Columbia or Rosewood Dairy Bar dipped cone
- ☐ **70.** See a play at Trustus Theatre or Columbia's oldest theatre, the Town Theatre
- ☐ **71.** Roast marshmallows on the street in the fall at Vista Lights
- ☐ **72.** Book a stay at Hotel Trundle
- ☐ **73.** Take in the 100 year-old architecture and oak-lined streets of Shandon
- ☐ **74.** Tour homes with Historic Columbia
- ☐ **75.** Visit Sesquicentennial State Park, Harbison State Forest, or Congaree National Park
- ☐ **76.** Get a taste of the Big Apple at smallSUGAR
- ☐ **77.** Cool off at Fort Jackson's Palmetto Falls Water Park
- ☐ **78.** Watch dreams come true at the Miss South Carolina competition in June
- ☐ **79.** Meet for lunch at The Gourmet Shop
- ☐ **80.** Try a coffee flight at Curiosity Coffee Bar
- ☐ **81.** Eat a mini cupcake or twelve from Silver Spoon Bakery
- ☐ **82.** Polish off a plate of vegan nachos at Good Life Cafe
- ☐ **83.** Admire and tour the South Carolina Governor's Mansion
- ☐ **84.** Support the masterworks and performances of the SC Philharmonic
- ☐ **85.** Guzzle German-style beer at a fall Bierkeller Columbia pop-up beer garden
- ☐ **86.** Channel your southern roots at the Irmo Okra Strut in September
- ☐ **87.** Experience Lake Murray by boat at Drift Jam or Reggaetronic Music Festival
- ☐ **88.** Eat internationally along Decker Boulevard
- ☐ **89.** Attend or plan an event at City Roots, Columbia's urban farm
- ☐ **90.** Sip beer at the Curtiss-Wright Hangar beside the Jim Hamilton - L.B. Owens Airport
- ☐ **91.** Plan for Spotted Salamander Catering's Fried Chicken Day...every Tuesday
- ☐ **92.** Grab a beer with friends from one of the many local breweries around town
- ☐ **93.** Drop in at the Midlands Heart Ball, Festival of Trees, or CMA Gala
- ☐ **94.** Build a soapbox car and enter into West Columbia's Kinetic Derby Day race in April
- ☐ **95.** Share the deviled eggs and chicken bog from The War Mouth
- ☐ **96.** Split an Il Giorgione pizza with friends
- ☐ **97.** Engage in interactive art projects during Arts & Draughts
- ☐ **98.** Star gaze at the Melton Memorial Observatory
- ☐ **99.** Organize a furry friend playdate at Jake's on Devine for Yappy Hour
- ☐ **100.** Celebrate Celtic heritage for four days straight at Tartan Day South in April

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