

5 things we love

Midtown District, Reno

STRETCHING SOUTH from the excellent Nevada Museum of Art, a creative corridor of shops, eateries, and colorful murals represents the heart of Reno's ongoing revival.

1 Open for breakfast and lunch, **Crème** deals a winning combo of sweet and savory crepes and French press coffee. Order your meal like a local: Ask for the banana bread French toast off the secret menu.

2 At **Natural Selection**, animal specimens, carnivorous plants, nautilus shells, delicate butterflies, and other curiosities are as carefully curated as the 1920s music playing in the background. Learn about taxidermy from the mother-

daughter owners or get tips on potting plants in the back studio.

3 **Sundance Books and Music** fills every nook of the 109-year-old Levy House with new and used titles, CDs, vinyl, magazines, and more. With ample chairs and a busy espresso machine, the shop encourages customers to curl up with a good read.

4 Southern and old-world flavors mix freely at **Brasserie Saint James**, where favorites include buttermilk Dixie chicken and duck confit cassoulet with pork belly. Pair them with one of the gastropub's award-winning brews, such as Hopalong Cassidy, best quaffed on the rooftop deck at sunset.



Unusual wares at Natural Selection.

5 At the chic speakeasy-style **Death and Taxes**, lead "spirits educator" Michael Moberly crafts an outrageously tasty cocktail and then explains why your mouth loves it. Sign up for a bartending class and he'll teach you to mix your own concoctions. —JEFF BENSON

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A promotional advertisement for Madame Tussauds Hollywood. The background is a vibrant red with a city skyline and the Golden Gate Bridge. In the foreground, several wax figures are displayed: Jay-Z with a guitar, a woman in a white dress, a man in a purple hoodie with a laptop, Marilyn Monroe in a red dress, a man in a black hat, Taylor Swift in a white t-shirt that says "I ♥ LA", and a man in a grey suit. The text "Madame Tussauds" is written in a large, elegant script. Below it, the text reads "Show your AAA Card and get 25% OFF ADMISSION". At the bottom, it says "Located next to the TCL Chinese Theatre • www.madametussauds.com/Hollywood" and "Located at Fisherman's Wharf • www.madametussauds.com/SanFrancisco".

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