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Drenched in Southern charm, from the tall columns fronting its grand 19th century facade to the plush upholstered comfort in its swank guestrooms, The Willcox ranks among the best in grand manor house hotels. Located in leafy Aiken, S.C. — once considered the Newport of the South by elite travelers — the staff once turned down a lodging request from the Duke of Windsor during a long-ago Master's Week because they were fully booked.

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