

Hotel G

This 1908 building gained an art deco extension in 1939 but its original features were masked by a succession of heavy-handed hotel fit-outs. It wasn't until 2014, due to a restoration by Hun Aw Studio that shed daylight on the cross-bracing, hex-tile flooring and a glorious cast-iron staircase, that Hotel G nailed the formula. A vintage feel continues in the 150 rooms (Greatest King, right), where walnut finishes, woven rugs, oversized tufted headboards, patches of vintage floral wallpaper and salvaged school chairs are filtered through a neutral palette. Waxed canvas and leather multi-pocket hanging pouches from Strawfoot Handmade make a stylish alternative to a minibar. Downstairs speakeasy Benjamin Cooper serves oysters and cocktails, like the Black Rye, mixed with whisky, brandy, bitters and a slice of blow-torched apple. *386 Geary Street, T 738 0589, www.hotelgsanfrancisco.com*

