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Sleeping around South Florida: What's new this summer

Close to a dozen new hotels have opened in South Florida since last summer Among them: EAST, Miami, the Langford, Nautilus and Faena Hotel Miami Beach



The PB Station restaurant at the Langford Hotel in downtown Miami. Walter Michot wmichot@miamiherald.com

Close to a dozen new hotels have joined the Miami skyline since last summer. Here is a selection of some of biggest new additions available this year.

The Langford

What's new: The 126-room boutique hotel brings lodging to a corner of downtown with few hotels. Its location inside the 1925 Miami National Bank building mixes historic touches with city vibe. Opened in March, the Langford caters to business travelers and features a stylish, contemporary restaurant and rooftop bar.

Bragging rights: Rooftop bar Pawn Broker melds downtown views and the nostalgic charm of 1940s sailor tattoo-inspired wallpaper. The first floor PB Station restaurant, modeled after Grand Central Station in New York, features American craft cuisine by Miami-based Pubbelly Boys Group. Historic touches include the original post box, building facade and crown moldings. Rooms have 1920s-style sinks and 1950s Cadillac seat-inspired headboards.

Caveat emptor: Business people who come with families will be across the bay from Miami Beach and most of Miami's traditional tourist attractions.

Best for: Business travelers and cruise ship passengers looking for price-savvy accommodations with charm and history in downtown Miami.

Summer deal: Florida residents get 15 percent off room rates through Dec. 22, complimentary valet parking, a room upgrade, welcome drink and continental breakfast.

Details: 121 SE First St., Miami; <u>langfordhotelmiami.com</u>; 877-969-5515. Rooms start at \$149 a night for a standard room and \$1,250 a night for the penthouse suite through September.