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Woodlark

Portland, Oregon

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In a city known for being hip, it's hard to get noticed. But Woodlark, a new Portland hotel, stands out for its attention to style as well as the way it has embraced its roots. Opened in December 2018, the hotel (with rooms from \$150) joins two historic buildings, the Cornelius Hotel and the Woodard & Clarke building, and features a botanical theme that pays tribute to the flora of the Northwest. In the lobby, guests can visit an outpost of floral-design studio Colibri. But Woodlark's true center is Abigail Hall, a former ladies' reception hall turned bar named after Oregon suffragist Abigail Scott Duniway. Its comfort-food menu—think grilled cheese on Texas toast and buttermilk-fried chicken fingers—is generating outsize buzz. — *Alejandro de la Garza*