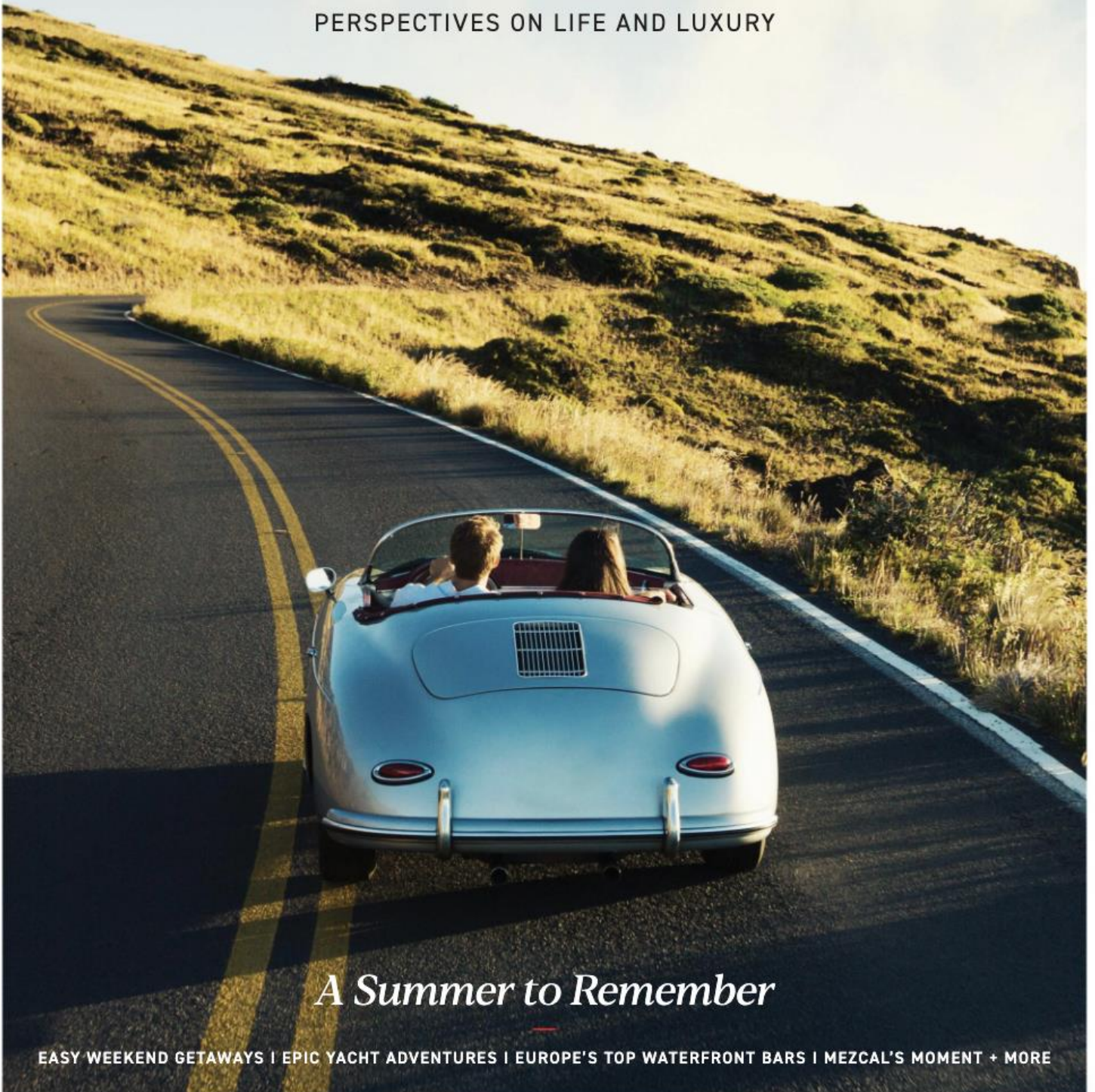


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CHARLESTON PLACE'S CULINARY SERIES

Fried chicken, hush puppies, fried okra. There's nothing wrong with traditional comfort food, but those looking for an elevated experience in one of the South's most dynamic and charming towns will want to keep an eye on the Charleston Grill. Housed within The Charleston Place hotel, the fine-dining restaurant just launched a culinary series featuring celebrity guest chefs partnering with the restaurant's own culinary team, with proceeds benefitting Feed the Need Charleston. Gramercy Tavern's James Beard Award winner Michael Anthony kicked off the series in February, with additional events launching throughout the year. charlestonplace.com



007 RUM

There's no need to specify shaken or stirred with this beverage from Chris Blackwell, owner of Ian Fleming's legendary GoldenEye resort. Blackwell 007 Collector's Edition (\$700) features a hand-numbered case (fewer than 1,000 have been made), and a signed note from Blackwell, who served as a location scout on *Dr. No*. blackwellrum.com



RYDER CUP in Rome

Of the many reasons to visit Rome, golf typically isn't one of them. But come September, the Eternal City will be hosting the golf world's premier international tournament, the Ryder Cup. Running September 25 to October 1, the event will see top golfers from the U.S. and Europe facing off at the Marco Simone Golf Club, where spectators can catch the action while enjoying views of St. Peter's Basilica and the course's namesake castle. rydercup.com