
DINNER, DRINKS AND PICASSO

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Go to the museum? Go out to eat? You could enjoy art with your dinner at Atlanta's new Atlas restaurant.

Two dozen 20th century paintings adorn the walls at the restaurant, located at The St. Regis Atlanta hotel in Buckhead.

The paintings include work by Pablo Picasso, Vincent van Gogh, Marc Chagall, Chaim Soutine, Lucian Freud and Francis Bacon.

The restaurant opened Jan. 26. The menu by chefs Gerry Klaskala and Christopher Grossman focuses on regional ingredients.

The paintings are from the Lewis Collection, owned by the British billionaire investor Joe Lewis, who got his start in a family catering business, Tavistock Banqueting. Today Tavistock owns more than 200 companies in a variety of industries. Atlas is one of 14 brands operated by Tavistock Restaurant Collection.