





# Chicago Restaurant Guide



Are you ready to be blown away by these Windy City eats? From celebrity chefs, to rooftop views, to world-renowned restaurants, Chicago's dining scene is truly sensational. Bring your appetite and enjoy a night on the town and skyline views with friends.

The restaurant guide provided below will give you options in every price range (\$-\$\$\$) and style of cuisine. Whether you are looking for a quick bite, recognizable favorites, or a local hot spot, we have included some of IHDA's finest recommendations.

While most of these restaurants are within walking distance of the Hyatt Regency, we have provided exact locations to help ease your dining experience. We hope you enjoy!

# Feeling Like a Local?



Check out **Chicago Food Authority** on Instagram for additional recommendations on the city's latest hot spots!

## Where to Make Reservations?



Check out OpenTable at www.opentable.com

#### Italian

**Quartino Ristorante \$\$** 626 N State St, Chicago, IL 60654, <u>(312) 698-5000</u> (0.8 mi)

Quartino is a bustling downtown Chicago restaurant and wine bar noted for its distinctive Italian small-plates menu, vintage decor, and attentive, personable service staff. The menu features Italy's regional specialties including artisanal salami, Neapolitan thin-crust pizza, house-made pasta, and seasonal dishes. Menu items, served in moderate portions and meant to be shared, are perfect for adventurous diners ready for a unique experience.

**Osteria Via Stato \$\$** 620 N State St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 642-8450 (0.7 mi) *Italian* 

Born from a trip through Italy by Lettuce EntertainYou Founder Rich Melman and Chef David DiGregorio, the warmth of the inviting hospitality, rustic stonewalls, glowing candlelight, and delicious cuisine—featuring artisanal





antipasti, handmade pastas, mouthwatering entrees, and simple desserts—will transport you from this bustling neighborhood to a tavern in the Italian countryside. Sit on the patio for all fresco dining in the summer, overlooking one of the liveliest corners of River North!

Gene and Georgetti \$\$\$ 500 N Franklin St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 527-3718 (1.3 mi)

Italian & Steakhouse

An old-school Chicago steakhouse serving meat, seafood, and Italian specialties in a traditional setting, Gene and Georgetti welcome you to over 75 years of tradition and an award-winning commitment to dining excellence. The extensive wine selection and fully stocked bar will intrigue you as you indulge in a menu that boldly offers entrées from steaks to chops, seafood to pasta. Steeped in history, the photos on the walls illustrate their story in this dynamic city, from signed celebrity images to familiar local faces.

**Volare \$\$** 201 E Grand Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 410-9900 (0.4 mi) *Italian* 

"Volare Ristorante Italiano reflects the look and feel of an old world Italian establishment." Family-owned since the beginning, they've proudly called Chicago's Streeterville neighborhood home since 1997. Volare's food represents traditional Italian cuisine with modern accents. Their goal is to provide an outstanding experience that will keep guests coming back again and again. Volare offers both contemporary interpretations of classic comfort dishes as well as unique ventures into new areas of Italian cooking.

## American

True Food Kitchen \$\$ 1 W Erie St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 204-6981 (0.9 mi)

Healthy American

A health-driven, seasonal restaurant merging nutrient-rich ingredients with a flavor-forward menu that rotates regularly to let guests experience great-tasting ingredients at the peak of their freshness. The open kitchen brings guests closer to the culinary craft while showcasing that there's nothing secret about the way True Food Kitchen prepares its dishes. The scratch bar is brimming with a selection of wine, local beers, and seasonal cocktails made using fresh-pressed fruit and vegetable juices paired with organic spirits.

**Beatrix \$\$** 519 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 284-1377 (0.9 mi)

**American** 

Modern, all-day venue combining an American eatery, wine and cocktail bar, and a bakery/cafe.

The Kitchen \$\$ 316 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 836-1300 (0.6 mi)

American

A relaxed American Bistro dedicated to serving delicious, real food sourced from American farmers. Enjoy local ingredients featured in modern American dishes at this rustic-chic spot with an open kitchen.

Billy Goat Tavern \$ 430 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 222-1525 (0.2 mi)

American

Home of the "Cheezborger," the Billy Goat Tavern is a chain of taverns located in Chicago. Its restaurants are based on the original Billy Goat Tavern founded in 1934 by Billy Sianis, a Greek immigrant. A well-known Chicago sports bar you don't want to miss!

#### Mexican

Cantina Laredo \$\$ 508 N State St, Chicago, IL 60654 (312) 955-0014 (0.6 mi)

Mexican

Authentic Mexican food inspired by the cuisine of Mexico City with a modern twist. Imagine grilled fish, chicken, or steak topped with one-of-a-kind signature sauces like chipotle wine and Portobello mushroom or sautéed





artichoke heart and roasted red bell pepper. Pair that with an award-winning margarita, the Casa Rita, made from fresh lime juice and the finest tequila, and you've got Modern Mexican.

**XOCO \$\$** 449 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60654, <u>312-661-1434</u> (0.8 mi)

Mexican

Xoco—pronounced SHO-ko—is the Aztec word for "little sister." But there's nothing little about Xoco's bold Mexican marketplace flavors. Open early and closing late, this quick-service café from Rick and Deann Bayless proffers contemporary expressions of Mexico's most beloved street food and snacks: flaky empanadas, hot-from-the-fryer churros, frothy Mexican hot chocolate, crusty tortas, and meal-in-a-bowl caldos.

#### Asian & Ramen

Ramen San \$\$ 59 W Hubbard St #2, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 377-9950 (0.6 mi)

Ramer

Ramen-san is an upbeat den of Japanese noodles and beer nestled in the Chicago River North dining district. A rustic ramen joint for noodle soups, buns, and chicken wings, plus cocktails, sake, and lots of whisky options.

**Sunda \$\$\$** 110 W Illinois St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 644-0500 (0.8 mi)

Asian Fusion

Sunda New Asian is an award-winning restaurant at the vanguard of America's New Asian movement showcasing East Asian and Southeast Asian regional cuisine. Simple, flavorful dishes are served and shared, while a full sushi bar provides an assortment of sushi, sashimi, and nigiri options. The beverage program revolves around a progressive list of premium sakes, Asian beers, champagnes, wine, and a seasonal craft cocktail list.

**Rebar \$\$\$** 401 N Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 588-8034 (0.4 mi) *Sushi, Lounge* 

This chic, sophisticated lounge and bar in downtown Chicago, located on the mezzanine level of the Trump Hotel, offers a vibrant atmosphere in which to enjoy captivating views of the Chicago River and Michigan Avenue Bridge. Rebar takes a progressive approach to food and drink, and features ever-evolving handcrafted cocktails and artisanal small plates. The beverage list is heavily focused on champagne and small-batch spirits, and is constantly curated in an effort to innovate and feature the most exciting products in the industry.

## Steak & Seafood

**RPMSteak\$\$**\$ 66 W Kinzie St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 284-4990 (0.7 mi)

Steakhouse

Located in Chicago's River North neighborhood, RPM Steak is a modern take on the traditional steakhouse and features a contemporary chef-driven menu, an award-winning wine list, and a well-curated craft cocktail program. The sister restaurant to RPM Italian, RPM Steak marks the second collaboration between partners RJ Jerrod and Molly Melman, celebrity couple Bill and Giuliana Rancic, and acclaimed chef Doug Psaltis. The space itself is an impressive 11,000 square feet and boasts an elegant sunken dining room with classic architecture and modern design. Perfect for a night on the town, a business dinner, or drinks with friends, RPM Steak brings approachable sophistication to every dining experience.

**Steak 48 \$\$\$** 615 N Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, <u>(312) 266-4848</u> (0.6 mi) *Steakhouse* 

Before indulging in a perfectly prepared steaks, whet your appetite with a generous selection from the appetizer menu: Try Fried Deviled Eggs, Prime Steakhouse Meatballs, or fresh Poke for starters. While Steak 48 prides itself on serving the best steaks in the city, it also features many other common staples of American Steakhouse cuisine. The open kitchen features a raw bar, which is on display for guests to view. Ample selections of fresh seafood are





instantly available on top of a giant bed of ice. Steak 48 serves fresh-shucked oysters from the West and East coasts, colossal jumbo shrimp, Maine lobster, and succulent Alaskan king crab.

McCormick & Schmicks \$\$ 1 E Upper Wacker Dr, Chicago, IL 60601, (312) 923-7226 (0.3 mi) Seafood

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood & Steaks on Chicago's Wacker Drive is conveniently located in the Loop, just minutes away from the Chicago Theater, Oriental Theater, Millennium Park, shopping, and some of Chicago's best hotels. In the summer, enjoy a beautiful outdoor patio and seating area with wonderful views of the river. From fresh seafood and shellfish to aged steaks and garden fresh salads, their goal is to exceed your dining expectations.

Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak & Stone Crab \$\$\$ 60 E Grand Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 379-5637 (0.4 mi) Seafood & Steakhouse

Classic steak and seafood fare, including signature stone crab claws, served by a tuxedo-clad staff. The legendary Joe's Stone Crab first opened in Miami Beach in 1913. It all began when Joseph Weiss, the "Joe" of Joe's Stone Crab, and his wife Jennie set up seven or eight tables on the front porch of the house they owned. 100 years later, Joe's has become one of the most beloved and widely recognized restaurants in the world, famous for its Florida Stone crab, signature sides, and key lime pie.

Chicago Cut Steakhouse \$\$\$ 300 N LaSalle Dr, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 329-1800 (0.6 mi) Steakhouse

Take two steakhouse veterans, a dazzling space along the Chicago River, add a butcher and dry-aging room, and you begin to see what Chicago Cut is about. Chicago Cut is dedicated to putting culinary flair back into Chicago's upscale restaurant scene. That requires a unique menu, an unmatched wine list, and a modern twist on the traditional steakhouse setting.

Pizza, Burgers, & Quick Bites <u>Bub City\$\$ 435 N Clark St, Chicago, I</u>L 60654, (312) 610-4200 (0.7 mi)

Barbecue

Large wood-and-brick bar with a Country-Western theme and a menu of BBQ/American comfort food. Live music, late night.

Pequods \$ 2207 N Clybourn Ave, Chicago, IL 60614, (773) 327-1512 (Northside, Lincoln Park, 5.3 mi) *Pizza* 

Casual, brick-walled pizza pub where deep-dish pies with caramelized crusts are served until late.

Portillo's Hot Dogs \$ 100 W Ontario St, Chicago, IL 60610, (312) 587-8910 (River North, 1.0 mi) Fast Food

Chicago-born chain for hot dogs, Italian beef sandwiches, and more, plus beer and wine, in retro digs.

**Lou Malnati's Pizzeria \$** 439 N Wells St, Chicago, IL 60654, (312) 725-7777 (0.9 mi) *Pizza* 

Malnati's success comes from a commitment to quality. Every Lou Malnati's pizza is handmade from scratch using the finest and freshest ingredients. Every year, the Malnati team hand selects California vine-ripened tomatoes for the perfect sweet and tangy taste. The exclusive sausage blend is seasoned to exact specifications. The fresh mozzarella cheese comes from the same small dairy that has supplied Lou Malnati's for over 40 years. And the family's secret recipe for flaky, buttery crust has been passed down from generation to generation. You'll know with every bite that each pizza was made with care and special attention.





**Au Cheval \$\$** 800 W Randolph St, Chicago, IL 60607 (West Loop, 1.6 mi, typically a long wait on the weekends) Burger, Upscale Diner

One of Chicago's most famous burger joints. A diner-style bar and restaurant with a passion for eggs, Au Cheval elevates traditional diner fare. Guests can indulge in dishes ranging from chopped chicken liver and roasted bone marrow, to traditional sandwiches, egg-focused entrees, and the signature cheeseburger. The bar program showcases strong, classic cocktails including the Horse's Neck, Vieux Bonal, and Hemingway's Daiquiri. A robust draught beer list offers a wide range of neighborhood, domestic, and international selections. The dimly lit restaurant, pulsating with a vintage reel-to-reel soundtrack, features dark leather booths, dark wood paneling, and a zinc bar wrapped around the open kitchen.

**DMK Burger \$** 600 E Grand Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 624-8017 (1.2 mi) *Burger Bar* 

Trendy scene where creative burgers go with fries, housemade sodas, craft cocktails, and a wide beer selection.

## Cocktails and City Views

London House Rooftop \$\$\$ 85 E Wacker Dr, Chicago, IL 60601, (312) 357-1200 (0.2 mi)

Lounge, Cocktails, Appetizers

Three chic levels of hotel rooftop drinking and dining with indoor/outdoor seats and sweeping views. London House 21<sup>st</sup> Floor: Savor the flavors of re-imagined American fare and cocktails at the indoor bar on the 21st Floor. London House 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor: Take in sweeping views of the Chicago River, Lake Michigan, and the Magnificent Mile while enjoying classic cocktails and small bites on the outdoor LH terrace.

**Cindy's Rooftop \$\$\$** 12 S Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60603, (312) 792-3502 (0.5 mi) *Lounge, Cocktails, Appetizers* 

The jewel in the crown of The Athletic Association Hotel, Cindy's is a rooftop restaurant and open-terrace with panoramic views of Millennium Park, The Art Institute, Lake Michigan, and beyond. Created out of thin air, the aery atmosphere gives contrast to the Association's history as a men's club, yet carries an unmistakable look of having always been here. With seasonal freshness reflected in both food and drink, this Chicago restaurant truly offers some of the best cuisine while donning the relaxed ambience of a Great Lakes beach house with a view. Executive Chef Christian Ragano joins forces with Sommelier Sterling Knight and renowned Spirit Guide Nandini Khaund to bring family-style classic comfort food, biodynamic wines, and award-winning cocktails with large-format apothecaries.

**City Winery \$** 11 W. River Walk South, Chicago, IL 60601, (312) 229-5593 (0.4 mi) *Bar* 

City Winery on the Chicago River Walk provides Chicagoans and visitors a way to engage with the city in a unique way. Guests have a truly special experience with locally and sustainably made products. City Winery brings what we do best in the West Loop to the River Walk. The menu features top-selling items from the West Loop location. In addition, wine is served through a unique tap system to showcase the company's commitment to sustainability. Enjoy a glass of wine on the river walk and watch our buzzing boat scene.

The J Parker at Hotel Lincoln \$\$ 1816 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60614, (312) 254-4747 (Northside, Lincoln Park, 2.6 mi) Lounge, Cocktails, Appetizers

Sitting proudly above the Hotel Lincoln, the J Parker offers the most spectacular views in all of Chicago. As you sip a signature cocktail, enjoy the unobstructed water views from one of the lounge's 140 outside seats or 55 seats inside. The J. Parker is a perfect space for private events, a pre-dinner cocktail, or a night on the town.





The Signature Room at the  $95^{th}$  \$\$\$ 875 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611, (312) 787-9596 (1.3 mi) American

Upscale spot high atop 875 North Michigan Avenue with wide views, American fare, and a separate lounge. With consistent accolades such as "Most Romantic Restaurant" and "Best View," The Signature Room and Signature Lounge have become part of the quintessential Chicago experience. Upscale dining and a menu of contemporary American cuisine lifted the popularity of the restaurant with Chicagoans and visitors alike.