

Washington, DC Dining

DC is a food lover's dream. The District's award-winning dining scene continues to welcome new eateries all over the city. Home to 14 Michelin-starred restaurants, DC's second edition of the *Michelin Guide* also highlights over 100 restaurants. Destination DC's [Chefs Dish DC](#) video series focuses on DC's food culture by introducing visitors and locals to neighborhood favorites of local chefs.

Numbers and Accolades

- 2,233 restaurants (*Source: National Restaurant Association*)
- *The Michelin Guide, Washington, DC, 2nd Edition* (2018)
- Bad Saint: "#2 Restaurant in America 2016," *Bon Appétit*
- Columbia Room: "Best Bars in America 2017," *Esquire*
- Himitsu: "The 13 Best New Restaurants in America," *Eater* (2017)
- "Restaurant City of the Year," *Bon Appétit* (2016)
- "Hottest Food City," *Zagat.com* (2016)

Restaurants Opening in 2018

- **Adams Morgan**
To open inside the Line DC hotel:
 - A Rake's Progress – Mid-Atlantic (chef Spike Gjerde)
 - Brothers and Sisters – American and Asian (chef Erik Bruner-Yang)
 - Spoken English – Asian (chef Erik Bruner-Yang)
- **Georgetown**
 - Reverie – American
- **Ivy City**
 - City Winery – Urban Winery
 - Gravititas – American
- **NoMa**
 - O-Ku – Japanese
- **Shaw**
 - Cortez Restaurant and Rooftop Bar – Mexican
- **Southwest Waterfront**
The Wharf adds over 20 new restaurants to DC's dining scene. Still to come:
 - Florentijn – Belgian
 - Kaliwa – Southeast Asian
 - Officina by Nicholas Stefanelli – Southern Italian
 - Potomac Distilling Company – In-house rum distillery and tavern
 - Rappahannock Oyster Company – seafood

Trends

- **Themed Bars and Restaurants**
 - Miracle on Seventh Street: Holiday (Shaw)
 - Mythology/The DarkSide Bar: Star Wars (H St.)

- Madhatter: Alice in Wonderland (Dupont Circle)
- Teddy & The Bully Bar: Theodore Roosevelt (Dupont Circle)
- Calico: Urban Backyard (Blagden Alley)
- **Unexpected Museum Dining:**
 - National Museum of African American History and Culture – Sweet Home Café
 - National Museum of the American Indian – Mitsitam Native Foods Café
 - Museum of the Bible – Manna and Milk & Honey
 - National Gallery of Art – Espresso and Gelato Bar (Parliament coffee)
 - Newseum – The Source by Wolfgang Puck
- **Award-Winning Hotel Dining:**
 - **The Jefferson, Washington, DC – Plume**
 - One Michelin star
 - *Washingtonian's* “100 Very Best Restaurants”
 - **Park Hyatt Washington D.C. – Blue Duck Tavern**
 - One Michelin star
 - *Washingtonian's* “100 Very Best Restaurants”
 - **Four Seasons Hotel Washington, DC – Bourbon Steak**
 - “Best Steakhouse” by *Washingtonian*
 - *Washingtonian's* “100 Very Best Restaurants”

DC Chefs Making Headlines

- [José Andrés Fed Puerto Rico, and May Change How Aid is Given](#), *The New York Times*
- [Mike Isabella, Washington's Restless Restaurateur](#), *The New York Times*
- [Ease into Complex Indian Flavors with Rasika's New Cookbook](#), Eater DC (chef Vikram Sunderam)

Resources

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