

A NATIVE'S GUIDE TO CHICAGO

Updated 4th Edition, 10th Anniversary Edition

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Some Favorite New Food/Drink Additions to This Edition

1. **Mark II Lounge** (p. 265) & **Skylark** (p. 265)
Great neighborhood taverns you need to know about.
2. **Java Thai** (p. 162) & **Tommy's Rock'n'Roll Café** (p. 169)
Fast food twists: coffeehouse/Thai take-out and guitar/doughnut shop.
3. **Joy Yee's Noodle Shop** (p. 149)
A sign of new times for Chinatown
4. **Orange** (p. 153) & **Sweet Maple Cafe** (p. 152)
Breakfast places fast becoming enduring institutions.
5. **Sean's Rhino Bar** (p. 215) and **Vito & Nick's** (p. 216)
Southside spots are tops for thin crust pizza.
6. **Papajin** (p. 160)
Perfect Chinese for everyday take-out and white-tablecloth occasions.
7. **River Kwai Seafood II** (p. 196)
Late-night Thai dive doesn't open until 11 p.m., closes at 6 a.m., and requires a wait.
8. **Midori** (p. 191)
Traditional Japanese dining and private karaoke rooms on the Northwest Side.
9. **La Peña** (p. 169)
Ecuadorian restaurant has live music nightly, fun for large groups.
10. **Three 24/7 food joints in Greektown** (p. 197)
Greektown flavor of insomniacs and late-night partiers.

Some Favorite Eateries Carried Over From Previous Editions That Many People Still Don't Know About

1. **Pueblito Viejo** (p. 163)
Colombian restaurant and nightclub recreates a mountain village.
2. **Nhu Hoa Café** (p. 193)
BYOB storefront has encyclopedic Vietnamese & Laotian menu.
3. **Korean Restaurant** (p. 195)
24-hour Korean restaurant offers serene dining in the wee hours.
4. **Tre Kroner** (p. 231)
Upstairs dining for weekend brunch and daily homemade danishes are newer treats at cozy Swedish eatery.
5. **Doña Torta** (p. 206)

Cheap and unusual Mexican fast food place also has super energy and vitamin shakes.

6. **Nikki & Pete's Fabulous Deli** (p. 200)
Deli in an auto shop names its specialty sandwiches after classic cars.
7. **Gladys' Luncheonette** (p. 227)
Soul food decadence and diner ambiance since 1945.
8. **Anna Held Flower Shop and Fountain Cafe** (p. 161)
Ice cream parlor and coffeeshop inside a flower shop at the base of the historic Edgewater Beach Apartments.
9. **Smoke Daddy** (p. 221)
Smoky barbecue alongside free live blues and jazz nightly.
10. **Gertie's Ice Cream & Lindy's Chili** (p. 159)
Legendary Southside combo is virtually unknown to North Siders.

Not Your Ordinary Guidebook (A FEW EXAMPLES)

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9. **Beer Education** (p. 262) and **Free Speech Forums** (p. 280): Entertainment alternatives on every page.
10. **Hegewisch** (p. 318), **Old Edgebrook** (p. 325), **Pilsen East** (p. 326), **Tri-Taylor** (p. 333), **Villa Historic District** (p. 333): Where are these places?