

## RESTAURANTS

Starred entries are special favorites.

**Alma de Cuba.** Upscale Cuban food in a Steven Starr restaurant. Interesting cocktails; good ceviche. Atmospheric. For celebrations or special occasions; very difficult to order moderately. Accessible.

Entrees: \$22-29

Address: 1623 Walnut

Phone: 215 988 1799

Web: <http://almadecubarestaurant.com/>

**\*Amada.** A special occasion restaurant by Jose Garces. Wonderful cocktails named after Pedro Aamaldovar films (“Tie Me Up Tie Me Down”; “Bad Education”) and reinterpretations of Spanish tapas based on century old Mediterranean recipes. Jose Garces, who won the Food Network’s “The Next Iron Chef,” specializes in creating plates to share such as Spanish octopus, garlic shrimp, tortilla Espanola, and lobster paella. For a serious foodie, we recommend the chef’s tasting menu. Currently serving brunch, which will set you back less than dinner (a la carte or a \$40 tasting menu). Reservations suggested. Call ahead to pre-order the suckling pig, if you are carnivorous and going in a large group. Accessible.

**Small plates:** \$7-19; meat dishes \$8-32

**ADDRESS:** 217-219 Chestnut Street

**PHONE :** 215-625-2450

**WEB:** [www.amadarestaurant.com/](http://www.amadarestaurant.com/)

**\*Amis.** Rustic Italian food by Marc Vetri. Thoughtfully made bruschetta, house smoked meat. Amazing pasta. Food is inventive and full of flavor but not fussy. Interesting wines, all available by the glass. Accessible.

Price: pasta \$14-16; entrees \$18-26

Address: 412 S. 13<sup>th</sup> ST

Phone: 215-732-2647

Web: <http://amisphilly.com/>

**Audrey Claire.** Fine dining in an intimate café with wide windows. You will feel like part of the neighborhood as you dine at this local favorite that specializes in Mediterranean cuisine. Be sure to share a flatbread as an appetizer. Accessible.

**meals:** small plates, \$9-13; large plates, \$20-30

**ADDRESS:** 276 S. 20th St.

**PHONE :** 215-731-1222

**WEB:** <http://www.audreyclaire.com>

**Barbuzzo.** Mediterranean food in the 13<sup>th</sup> Street restaurant row. Many ways to order: small plates, boards, pizza, entrees. BYO. Walk-ins sit at the bar or counter. Accessible. Right across the street from Capogiro - the best gelato place on the planet. Entrées: \$10-29

Address: 110 South 13th Street

Phone: 215) 546-9300

Web: <http://barbuzzo.com/barbuzzo/>

**Beau Monde.** One of Philadelphia’s best kept secrets, Beau Monde is a French creperie. Create a savory crepe with ingredients like scallops, goat cheese, and roasted

leeks. Be sure to save room for a sweet crepe with nutella, fresh berries, or lemon curd.  
Accessible.

**Meals:** \$12-20

**address:** 6th and Bainbridge St.

**phone:** 215-592-0656

**WEB:** <http://www.creperie-beaumonde.com/>

**Bibou.** Authentic French in a warm and intimate room; recently awarded highest rating by the Inquirer restaurant critic. Leg of lamb, braised pig foot, incredible soups and appetizers. **Byob, cash only, reservation required. Not accessible.**

Entrees: \$26-31; \$45 prix fixe on Sundays

Address: 1009 South 8<sup>th</sup> st

Phone: 215-965-8290

Web: <http://www.biboubyob.com/>

**\*Bistro La Viola.** This is a very small, intimate restaurant; the sister restaurant is La Viola Ovest. You'll dine cheek to cheek with locals who love this restaurant that serves classic Italian fare. It's always crowded and the food is always good. **Byo, cash only. Not accessible.**

**entrees:** \$12-20

**ADDRESS:** 253 S. 16<sup>th</sup> (between Locust and Spruce)

**PHONE :** 215-735-8630

**Buddakan.** Very elegant and delicious Asian hybrid in a dramatic Steven Starr restaurant. Edamame ravioli, wasabi mashed potatoes. Family style ordering encouraged. Good for a large group. **Accessible**

Entrees: \$14-27

Address: 325 Chestnut

Phone: (215) 574-9440

Web: <http://www.buddakan.com>

**Capogiro.** Excellent artisanal gelato and sherbert. What should be local is local; what should be imported is imported. Seasonal flavors, great chocolate. **Accessible.**

Cost: small cup of two flavors just under \$5

Addresses and phone: 119 South 13th Street (Corner of 13th and Sansom), 215.351.0900

117 South 20th Street (Corner of 20th and Sansom), 215.636.9250

Web: <http://capogirogelato.com/>

**Caribou Café.** French Bistro-style food; soup, sandwiches, entrees. **Informal. Accessible.**

Meals: Prix fixe, \$29, \$35

Address: 1126 Walnut Street

Phone: 215-625-9535

Web: <http://www.cariboucafe.com>

**Chifa.** Peruvian Chinese – amazing, interesting cuisine with pork belly buns, many ceviches, seafood dishes. **Gluten free yucca bread. Accessible.**

Cost: small plates under \$10; large plates \$12-30.

Address: 707 Chestnut St.

Phone: 215-925-5555

Web: <http://chifarestaurant.com/>

**City Tavern.** One of the most historical restaurants in Old City, established in 1773,

CityTavern's menu is inspired by the foods of 18th-century colonial America. Many of the meals have a classic Pennsylvania Dutch flair, like wiener schnitzel and apple-wood smoked pork chop with sauerkraut. They claim to also have a colonial tofu dish.

Accessible.

**Entrees:** \$18-30

**ADDRESS:** 138 S 2nd St. (between Walnut and Chestnut)

**PHONE:** 215-413-1443 **Web:** [www.citytavern.com/](http://www.citytavern.com/)

**Comcast Center Market.** Food hall in the basement of the Comcast Center. Includes DiBruno Brothers, Percy Street Barbecue, Under the "C" Seafood, and other options. Less crowded and but also less atmospheric than Reading Terminal—you can always find a seat. Huge screens in Comcast lobby offer lunchtime entertainment.

Accessible.

Open M-F 8:00 AM-7:00 PM, Sat 8:00 AM-5:00PM, closed Sun

Address: 17<sup>th</sup> and JFK Blvd (connection to Suburban Station)

Phone: 215-496-1810

Web: <http://www.themarketatcomcastcenter.com/index.html>

**The Continental.** A martini bar and restaurant housed in a classic silver diner car with a set of giant dice on the roof and cocktail olive lamps above the tables, the Continental is a Steven Starr restaurant, and so long on theater. Enjoy inventive American-Asian dishes like lobster mac n' cheese, jumbo lump crab pad thai, or a cheese steak egg roll. Be sure to check out their retro martini menu. Accessible.

**Meals:** \$12-18

**ADDRESS:** 138 Market St. (and 2nd)

**PHONE :** 215-923-6069

**WEB:** [www.continentalmartinibar.com/](http://www.continentalmartinibar.com/)

**Cuba Libre.** The menu at Cuba Libre features Cuban meals of beef, poultry, pork, seafood, and exotic fruits and vegetables. Extensive cocktail menu, many rum selections. Accessible.

**Sandwiches, small plates:** \$12-15

**Entrees:** \$21-33

**ADDRESS:** 10 S. 2nd St (Between Market and Chestnut St)

**PHONE :** 215-627-0666

**WEB:** [www.cubalibrerestaurant.com/](http://www.cubalibrerestaurant.com/)

**Dandelion.** English pub food. A Steven Starr restaurant, so this isn't just *like* an English pub, it's *hyper-like* an English pub. Good for a big group; possible to get in without a reservation. Accessible.

Entrees: \$11-28 (the traditional Sunday roast)

Address: 18<sup>th</sup> and Sansom

Phone: 215-558-2500

Web: <http://thedandelionpub.com>

**Dark Horse Pub.** Located in a colonial row house (1788) with one of the oldest working fireplaces in the city, the Dark Horse Pub features classic pub food like Guinness battered fish & chips, shepherd's pie, and bangers & mash. Not accessible.

**Meals:** \$10-15

**ADDRESS:** 421 S. 2nd St. (Between Pine St. and Lombard St.)

**PHONE :** 215-928-9307

**WEB:** [www.darkhorsepub.com/](http://www.darkhorsepub.com/)

**DiBruno Brothers.** Branches of the classic Italian Market shop with cheeses, meats, homemade dishes, and to-go foods. Take out or casual seated dining. Open until 8 PM weekdays and 7PM on the weekend. Two locations. Accessible.

**Meals:** \$5-10

**Rittenhouse:** 1730 Chestnut St., 215-665-9220

**Comcast:** 1701 JFK Boulevard, 215-496-1810

**WEB:** <http://www.dibruno.com>

**Doma.** While Philadelphia has so many established, historic restaurants, there are always new places popping up. This is one of the newest Japanese restaurants to open in Logan Square (close to the art museums). BYOB. Accessible.

**Meals:** \$3-20

**ADDRESS:** 1822 Callowhill St.

**PHONE :** 215-564-1114

Web: <http://www.domarestaurant.com/> (Possibly the most annoying website in Philly.)

**El Vez.** You will be struck by the unique interior of this Mexican hot spot with a spinning motorcycle above the bar and a working vintage photo booth as you dine on favorites like made-to-order guacamole, mahi mahi tacos, and tuna tostadas. This is a Stephen Starr restaurant, with lots of doodads. Accessible.

**Meals:** \$15-30

**ADDRESS:** 121 S. 13th ST.

**PHONE :** 215-928-9800

**WEB:** [www.elvezrestaurant.com](http://www.elvezrestaurant.com)

**Eulogy Belgian Tavern.** Historic restaurant is located where jeweler Bailey, Banks and Biddle was founded in 1832. Some would name this the best beer place in Philly; others argue for Monks, Yards, or Resurrection Ale House. Eulogy has over 300 international and domestic craft brewed bottled beers and 21 draught beers. Accessible.

**Sandwiches:** \$8-12

**Entrees:** \$13-20

**ADDRESS:** 136 Chestnut St. (Between Front St. and 2nd St)

**PHONE :** 215-413-2354

**WEB:** [www.eulogybar.com/](http://www.eulogybar.com/)

**Farmacia.** Run by the Metropolitan artisanal bakery, this relaxed restaurant features interesting cocktails, a nice wine list, and a vegetable-centric menu. Large portions make family-style ordering possible. This big place is accessible and good for groups.

Entrees: \$19-28

Address: 15 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, just below Market

Phone: 215 627-6274

Web: <http://www.farmiciarestaurant.com/>

**Farmers' Cabinet.** Huge selection of European craft beers; house beers and imported cider; menu offers game, house-cured meats, dishes cooked with beer and spirits. Accessible.

Entrees: \$25-29

Address: 1113 Walnut St  
Phone: 215-923-1113

Web: <http://www.thefarmerscabinet.com/>

**Federal Donuts.** Good news: incredible donuts and fantastic fried chicken at very reasonable prices. Bad news: donuts start at 7:00 AM, sell out by 9:30; chicken often sells out early. Open until 3:00 PM on weekdays, 7:00 PM on weekends.

Meals: donut, \$1.25; half chicken, \$9

Address: 219 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

Phone: 267-687-8258

Web: [www.federaldonuts.com](http://www.federaldonuts.com); see Facebook page, too

**Fergie's Pub.** Quintessential dive bar but with a good beer selection, Irish tavern menu. The same owner runs Nodding Head at 1516 Sansom - also a grand pub.

Accessible.

Entrees: \$8-12

Address: 1214 Sansom St

Phone: 215-928-8118

Web: <http://www.fergies.com/index.cfm>

**Fork.** With a great wine list, Fork is a stylish restaurant. Menu printed daily to reflect seasonally fresh foods mainly supplied by local farmers throughout the Philadelphia area.

Accessible.

Entrees: \$19-30

ADDRESS: 306 Market St. (at 3rd St)

PHONE : 215-625-9425

WEB: [www.forkrestaurant.com/](http://www.forkrestaurant.com/)

**\*Franklin Mortgage Cocktail Lounge.** A pricey cocktail lounge with wonderful drinks in a speakeasy atmosphere. No vodka. Not accessible.

Address: 112 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, first floor

Phone: 267-467-3277

Web: <http://thefranklinbar.com/>

**Garces Trading Co.** Café and market with an in-house wine store - you buy your own right there and don't pay the restaurant mark-up. More casual than Amada or others in the Garces empire, the Trading Company is a good place to sample cheese, charcuterie, and olive oil before a light nosh. The price of byo and the convenience of full-service. Many ways to order from the Mediterranean menu: cheese, cured meats, pasta, pizza, regular entrees, but short on vegetarian choices. Pastries prepared by Garces' Mom. Take out available, if you have a kitchenette (sharable entrees depending on the day of the week).

Entrees: \$16-20

Address: 1111 Locust St

Phone: 215-574-1099

Web: <http://garcestradingcompany.com/>

**Geno's Steaks (and Pat's across the street).** Some would say that a Philly Cheesesteak is a tourist must. Open 24/7 with no indoor dining, Geno's is a South Philly destination for celebrities, tourists, and locals alike. What you get is simple—thin sliced rib eye, onions, and cheese on a roll. Be warned—the line moves fast and there is no

tolerance for someone who doesn't know their order. At the first window, give your order (specifying provolone, American, or "wit" cheese whiz). Pay and pick up your sandwich at that window and then move to the next window to retrieve your soda and fries. You'll know you are at the right place when you see the bright neon lights.

Philadelphians will argue over who is the best – Geno's, Pat's, Jim's, or Tony Luke's.

**ADDRESS:** 1219 S. 9th St.

**PHONE :** 215-389-0659

**WEB:** [www.genosteaks.com](http://www.genosteaks.com)

**Giorgio's on Pine.** This pleasant byo near Loew's has an extensive menu of gluten free pasta and pizza. Not accessible.

Entrees: \$16-21

Address: 1328 Pine

Phone: 215-545-6265

Web: <http://www.giorgioonpine.com/>

**Han Dynasty.** One of the two best places in Philadelphia for Szechuan Chinese (see also Szechuan Tasty House on Arch Street in Chinatown). Han Dynasty has real ambience, a small selection of beer and wine and a terrifically friendly staff who are great at helping the table decide what to order. Dan dan noodles and spicy crispy cucumbers. Great for a bunch of people. Better to call ahead. Accessible.

Entrees--\$12-20

Address: 108 Chestnut Street (between Front and Second)

Phone: (215) 922-1888 Web: <http://handynasty.net/>

**\*J.G. Domestic.** Garces embrace of Americana. Locally sourced, where possible, J.G. Domestic features good bar snacks (duck fat fries, oysters), local beers, and excellent small and large plates. If you have time and the foodie inclination, the tasting menu is outstanding. If you don't have time, a cheese plate and a Crescent (bourbon, ginger, mint) will make your return train ride seem much faster. Share beignets for dessert. Also good for lunch. In the Cira building, adjacent to the Amtrak 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station. Accessible.

Prices: small plates \$8-12; large plates \$16-25

Address: 2929 Arch Street, ground floor

Phone: 215-222-2363

Web: <http://jgdomestic.com/index.html21>

**Jon's.** With indoor and outdoor seating, Jon's has a relaxed atmosphere. The location's claim to fame is that Larry Fine, one of the original "Three Stooges" was born at this address. While you can get many kinds of salads and sandwiches, you can also sample a Philadelphia cheese steak at Jon's. Accessible.

**Meals:** \$8-12

**ADDRESS:** 606 S. 3rd St. (at South St.)

**PHONE :** 215-592-1390

**WEB:** [www.jonsbarandgrille.com/](http://www.jonsbarandgrille.com/)

**\*Kanella.** A very friendly BYO serving Greek Cypriot food, full of flavor. Family-style ordering (a selection of appetizers and an entrée or two to share) works well here. Many vegetarian choices. Meze (small plates) on Sunday afternoon and evening.

Accessible.

Entrees: \$19-29

Address: 1001 Spruce St

Phone: 215-922-1773

Web: <http://kanellarestaurant.com/>

**\*Lee How Fook.** Good Chinese—specializes in “salt-baked squid.” Traditional Chinatown restaurant. Not accessible.

Entrees: \$8-12

Address: 219 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Stret

Phone: 215-925-7266

Web: <http://www.leehowfook.com/>

**\*Lolita.** Modern Mexican byo. Cash only, no reservations Friday or Saturday. Inventive and vegetarian friendly; if you bring tequila, they have freshly made margarita mixes. Not surprisingly, a cheerful place. Accessible. Outdoor tables.

Entrees: 18-24

Address: 106 S. 13<sup>th</sup> St.

Phone: 215-546-7100

Web: <http://lolitabyob.com/lolita/>

**Lunch Trucks—Love Park.** The humble Philly lunch truck is having a revival. New trucks can be really good, offering fresh food with great variety. A good spot is LOVE Park (officially JFK Plaza). Specific trucks come and go, but you won't go wrong with Guapo's Tacos, Lucky Old Souls Burgers, Pitruco Pizza, Sweet Box, or Buttercream Cupcakes. Lunch trucks are informal and cheap, but allow at least fifteen minutes to negotiate the lines.

Meals: sandwiches \$5-10

Address: 16<sup>th</sup> and JFK

**\*Maoz Vegetarian.** Quick Middle Eastern vegetarian food. A fresh salad bar is available as well. There is limited seating and this place is best for a quick lunch or takeout. Accessible.

Sandwiches and salads; under \$10

Address: 1115 Walnut St.

Phone: (215) 922-3409

Web: [maozvegetarian.com](http://maozvegetarian.com)

**Marrakesh.** The entrance is tucked in an alley way. You'll sit amongst vibrantly colored pillows in incense scented rooms and watch belly dancers as you indulge in a feast of Moroccan favorites like lamb, chicken pie, and beef shish kebab. Cash only. Not accessible.

Meals: \$11-30

ADDRESS: 517 South Leithgow St. (South Street between 4th and 5th)

PHONE: 215-925-5929

WEB: [www.marrakesheastcoast.com](http://www.marrakesheastcoast.com)

**Marathon Grill.** With three remaining locations in the city, Marathon Grill offers casual American fare, including comfort food ranging from chicken pot pie to fish fry to the marathon burger (with Vermont cheddar, caramelized onions, applewood smoked

bacon, bbq sauce on a brioche bun). Good soups and salads. Accessible and quick.

**Meals:** \$10-15

**ADDRESS & PHONE :**

16th & Sansom: 215-569-3278

19<sup>th</sup> and Market 215-561-1818

19<sup>th</sup> and Spruce 215-545-1898

**WEB:** [www.marathongrill.com](http://www.marathongrill.com)

**Matyson.** One of the first BYO's, and still among the best. Seasonal new American, with a \$45 weekly tasting menu available Monday-Thursday. Accessible.

Entrees: \$18-28

Address: 37 S 19th St

Phone: (215) 564-2925

Web: <http://www.matyson.com>

**Mi Lah Vegetarian.** Vegetarian and vegan food. Some dishes can be made gluten free. Take out available. Reservations are not necessary but may be helpful. Not accessible.

Entrees: \$15-20

Address: 218 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street

Phone: (215) 732-8888

Web: [www.milahvegetarian.co](http://www.milahvegetarian.co)

**Mixto.** In the mood for a mojito? Mixto serves traditional Cuban and Columbian food in a casual atmosphere. You'll enjoy large portions of classic dishes like Cuban Paella. Outdoor seating is pleasant on a warm summer night. Good happy hour. Accessible.

**meals:** \$12-30

**ADDRESS:** 1141 Pine St.

**PHONE :** 215-592-0363

**WEB:** [www.mixtoresaurante.com](http://www.mixtoresaurante.com)

**Monk's Café.** Serious selection of Belgian beers; bar menu. Not accessible.

**Meals:** \$11-30

**address:** 16th and Spruce

**PHONE :** 215-545-7005

**WEB:** [www.monkscafe.com](http://www.monkscafe.com)

**Morimoto.** Another treat for Iron Chef fans, although Morimoto himself is seldom here. There are entrees, but you really want the sushi. Accessible

Entrees: \$24-37; sushi by the piece is not cheap either

Address: 723 Chestnut St

Phone: 215) 413-9070

Web: <http://www.morimotorestaurant.com>

**Night Market.** Thursday, May 24 only. Scores of food trucks and restaurant booths, big convivial crowds, long lines, great food. In Northern Liberties, 2<sup>nd</sup> and Poplar.

Web: <http://nightmarketphilly.org/>

**Old City Pizza.** Looking for a place that is totally casual and kid-friendly? A classic pizza, hoagie, and cheese steak place. Not accessible.

**Meals:** \$5-10

**ADDRESS:** 100 N 3rd St. (at Arch)

**PHONE :** 215-574-9494

**\*Osteria.** A short cab ride from the hotel (and do take a cab), Osteria is big, convivial, and delicious. Italian menu from Marc Vetri with great starters, wonderful pizza and pasta, and good entrees. Try the roasted vegetable appetizer, pasta with wild boar, and polenta budino for dessert. Delicious wines by the glass. Good for groups, accessible.

Entrees: \$24-50

Address: 640 North Broad

Phone: 215-763-0920

Web: <http://www.osteriaphilly.com/>

**Oyster House.** Very fresh sea food; huge raw bar; successor to the legendary Samson Street Oyster House. Closed Sunday. Oysters \$1 apiece during weekday 5:00-7:00 happy hour. Nothing here for vegetarians. Wines and craft beers. Accessible.

Entrees: \$14-36

Address: 1516 Sansom

Phone: (215) 567-7683

Web: <http://oysterhousephilly.com/>

**Pagoda Noodle Café.** Asian cuisine in a casual atmosphere, Pagoda Noodle Café features classic pan-asian dishes with lots of noodles! Accessible.

Meals: \$11-30

ADDRESS: 125 Sansom Walkway

(Between Front and 2nd St)

PHONE : 215-928-2320

Web: <http://www.pagodanoodlecafe.com/>

**Penang.** Malaysian cuisine in Chinatown; Philly edition of a small chain. The menu is overwhelmingly long and has Asian dishes to suit both timid and adventurous palates. Accessible.

Meals: \$11-30

ADDRESS: 117 N. 10th Street

PHONE : 215-413-2531

WEB: [www.penangusa.com](http://www.penangusa.com)

**Pietro's Coal Oven Pizza.** Good pizza place in the Rittenhouse area. Delivers.

Pizza: \$9-16

Address: 1714 Walnut Street

Phone: 215-735-8090

Web: <http://www.pietrospizza.com/home.asp>

**Positano Coast.** Italian chic. Enjoy al fresco dining in a beautiful atmosphere or eat inside. This restaurant serves fresh takes on traditional Italian cuisine from the Amalfi Coast by specializing in fresh fish, seafood, and crudo. Extensive cocktail list. Accessible.

Meals: \$18-20

ADDRESS: 212 Walnut St. (Second Floor)

PHONE : 215-238-0499

WEB: <http://www.lambertis.com/>

**\*Pumpkin.** Farm to table BYO, cash only. Mediterranean food cooked inventively. Lots of seafood. Listed with Slow Food.

Entrees: \$25-6; Sunday prix fixe \$40

Phone: 215-545-4448

Address: 1713 South Street      Web: [www.pumpkinphilly.com/restaurant/](http://www.pumpkinphilly.com/restaurant/)

**Rangoon Burmese Restaurant.** Thousand layer bread with curry, mohinga (fish noodle soup), tea leaf salad. Good for a large group. Many vegetarian choices but iffy for vegans (some dishes use butter). Accessible.

Most entrees around \$10

Phone: 215-829-8939

Address: 112 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street      Web: <http://www.rangoonrestaurant.com/>

**Reading Terminal Market.** Reading Terminal is huge market hall with over eighty vendors. It is a good place for a tasty, reasonable lunch or breakfast, but with a 6 PM closing time, it won't work for dinner. You can find fresh fruits and vegetables, cheese, and prepared foods. There's a large section of Amish vendors. Accessible but crowded, especially at lunchtime on Saturday. Not all stalls are open on Sunday. Suggestions:

Breakfast: Down Home Diner--Opens at 7 (9 on Sundays).

Lunch: By George (pasta, pizza), Salumeria (sandwiches and Italian deli), Little Thai (decent Thai food), Sang Kee Peking Duck (not just duck), Original Turkey, Mezze, Dinic's Pork and Beef, Beck's Cajun Café.

Treats: Termini (iconic cannoli), Old City Coffee, Flying Monkeys (cupcakes), Tea Leaf, Metro Bakery

Hours: Mon-Sat, 8:00 AM-6:00 PM; Sun, 9:00-5:00. Closed Memorial Day

Phone: 215-922-2317

Web: <http://www.readingterminalmarket.org/>

**Sang Kee Peking Duck House.** If you want to experience Philadelphia's Chinatown, Sang Kee's Duck House could be top on your list. Eat there, take it out, or have it delivered; Sang Kee has been serving up authentic cuisine for three decades; and, as their name indicates, Sang Kee Peking Duck House serves up good duck—crispy on the outside, juicy on the inside. Sang Kee also available in Reading Terminal. Accessible.

Meals: \$7-13

ADDRESS: 238 North 9th Street

PHONE : 215-925-7532

WEB: [www.phillychinatown.com/sankee.html](http://www.phillychinatown.com/sankee.html)

### **Smokin' Betty's**

Barbeque, burgers and salads and bar food. Happy hour specials available. Can usually accommodate larger parties with reservations. Accessible.

Small plates, \$8-13; large plates \$13-22

Address: 116 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street

Phone: (215) 922-6500

Web: [www.Smokinbettys.com](http://www.Smokinbettys.com)

**Sole Food.** Yes, it's in the hotel, and the bar snacks are unbearably twee, but you can have a really good meal at this place. Soups are consistently tasty; good salads and seafood. Reasonably priced at lunch. Accessible.

Entrees: 22-34

Address: 1200 Market St

Phone: (215) 231-7300

Web: <http://www.loewshotels.com/Conte...>

## Supermarkets

Whole Foods

2100 Pennsylvania Avenue (just east of the new Barnes Museum near the Parkway), 215-557-0015

929 South Street 215-713-9788

Trader Joe's

2121 Market Street 215-569-9282

**Spasso Italian Grill.** A warm, casual restaurant with classic Italian comfort foods. Be sure to save room for their delicious homemade Italian desserts. Accessible.

**ENTREES:** \$16-23

**ADDRESS:** 34 South Front Street (Between Market and Chestnut St)

**PHONE :** 215-592-7661

**WEB:** [www.spassoitaliangrill.com/](http://www.spassoitaliangrill.com/)

**Talula's Garden.** The spectacle of a Steven Starr restaurant with the localvore savvy of Aimee Olexy in a beautiful space. A meal is pricey, but consider going for a cheese plate—Olexy is a cheese genius. Outdoor seating. Accessible.

Entrees: \$25-28

Address: 210 Washington Square (near 7<sup>th</sup> and Walnut)

Phone: 215-592-7787

Web: <http://www.talulasgarden.com/>

**Tashan.** This new Indian place has gotten some good buzz. Billed as “modern Indian,” it uses traditional flavors with new ingredients. Light and flavorful. Many vegetarian dishes. Accessible.

Small plates: \$11-20

Address: 777 S Broad St

Phone: (267) 687-2170

Web: <http://mytashan.com>

## Time

Upscale tavern with a staggering list of bourbons, ok bistro food. Absinthe available.

Music upstairs. Accessible and friendly.

Entrees: \$16-22

Address: 1315 Sansom

Phone: (215) 985-4800

Web: <http://timerestaurant.net/>

**Tria.** Tria is a good Philadelphia wine, beer, and cheese bar with snacks. Not suitable for large groups.

**Meals:** Most under \$10

### ADDRESS & PHONE

18th & Sansom: 215-972-TRIA. Not accessible.

2 & Spruce: 215-629-9200, Accessible.

**WEB:** <http://www.triacafe.com/>

**Triumph Brewing Company.** A Philadelphia microbrewery. Serves Triumph Burger, skirt steak, and more unique dishes like butternut squash gnocchi. Accessible.

**Sandwiches:** \$9-12; **Entrees:** \$14-22

**ADDRESS:** 117 Chestnut Street (Between 2nd and Front St)

**PHONE :** 215-625-0855

**WEB:** [www.triumphbrewing.com](http://www.triumphbrewing.com)

**\*Vedge.** An excellent vegan restaurant, very elegant. Salads, pate, grilled items using wonderful local produce. Serves alcohol. Wheelchair accessible, but call for directions.

Small plates: 8-10

Address: 221 Locust Street

Phone: (215) 320-7500

Web: <http://www.vedgerestaurant.com>

**Vetri.** This is a seriously good restaurant, the flagship for Marc Vetri's group of rustic, heartfelt, and delicious Italian places (Amis, Osteria, Alla Spina). We will not lie to you: the \$135 prix fixe is a lot of money, and it will be much more if you order wine. What this buys you: things like truffled onion crepe, airy gnocchi, almond tortellini with white truffles and a dozen other amazing little plates, designed to fit your preferences. This food will make you happy. If you have something special to celebrate, consider Vetri. Not accessible. Closed Sunday.

Address: 1312 Spruce St

Phone: (215) 732-3478

Web: <http://www.vetriristorante.com/>

**\*Vietnam Palace.** Vietnamese and other South Asian dishes; good for big groups. Vegetarian menu available. Vietnam Restaurant, across the street, is also quite good. Accessible.

Entrees: \$10-15

Address: 222 North 11th St

Phone: (215) 592-9596

Web: <http://vietnampalace.net/>

### **Vintage Wine Bar and Bistro**

Very friendly place; interested in helping you find wines that you like. French bistro menu built around daily specials. Accessible

Entrées: \$9-14

Address: 129 S 13th St

Phone: (215) 922-3095

Web: <http://www.vintage-philadelphia.com>

**\*La Viola Ovest.** Wonderful, moderately priced, Italian BYO. Lobster ravioli, veal with artichokes. Cash only. The sister restaurant across the street, "Bistro La Viola" is also good. Not accessible.

Entrees: \$10-15; \$35 prix fixe

Address: 252 South 16<sup>th</sup> St (at Latimer)

Phone: (215) 735-8631

**Xochitl.** Xochitl (so-cheet), named for the queen of Tollan who invented pulque, an early forerunner of tequila, features authentic Mexican fare, including cevices. Not accessible.

Meals: \$12-32

ADDRESS: 408 South 2nd St. (Historic Headhouse Square, between Pine and Lombard Streets)

PHONE : 215-238-7280

Web: <http://www.xochitlphilly.com>

**Yakitori Boy.** In Chinatown, this restaurant is modeled after Izakaya, a Japanese pub. Yakitori Boy serves traditional Japanese snacks, prepared in an open style kitchen so you can observe the chefs rolling sushi and crafting skewers. Karaoke room upstairs can be reserved for you and your friends. Accessible.

**Small plates: \$1.50-18**

**Address:** 213 N 11th St

**Phone:** (215) 923-8088

**WEB:** <http://www.yakitoriboy-japas.com/>

**\*Zahav.** Israeli food and Middle Eastern food, beautifully cooked. Hummus with more flavor than you can believe. Inventively seasoned beet salad, carrots. Chicken with figs and almonds. Very friendly, convivial room. Good for groups (but not huge ones) and vegetarian/vegan friendly. Excellent happy hour. Not kosher. Accessible but tricky—call for directions.

Small plates: \$9-11; grilled dishes \$9-12

**Address:** 237 St. James Place. (Follow 2<sup>nd</sup> to Walnut; Zahav is on a hill south of the Ritz movie theater)

**Phone:** 215-625-8800

**Web:** <http://www.zahavrestaurant.com/>

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Gluten Free Options: <http://www.glutenfreephilly.com/>

Kosher Restaurants and Markets: <http://www.jewishinphiladelphia.com/>

Microbreweries and Bars: <http://beeradvocate.com/beerfly/city/13>

Accessibility: <http://www.philadelphiarestaurants.com/theme.cfm/theme/30/order/1/StartRow/11>

### SUGGESTIONS BY LOCATION

**Center City, close to Loew's:** Amis, Caribou Café, Barbuzzo, Capogiro, Lolita, Farmer's Cabinet, Giorgio's on Pine, Kanella, Reading Terminal Market, Time

**Chinatown (five minute walk north):** Lee How Fook, Penang, Rangoon, Vietnam, Vietnam Palace, Yakitori Boy

**Rittenhouse Square area (fifteen minute walk west):** Alma de Cuba, Audrey Claire, Dandelion, Oyster House, La Viola Ovest

**Old City (fifteen minute walk east):** Bibou, Buddakan, Chifa, City Tavern, Farmacia

### SUGGESTIONS BY PRICE

**Economical (includes mid-range restaurants with low-cost offerings):** Federal Donuts, Garces Trading Company, Han Dynasaty, Lee How Fook, Maoz, Osteria (avoid the entrees), Rangoon, Sam Kee Peking Duck House, Vietnam, Vietnam Palace, Tria, Zahav (order carefully). Also Reading Terminal, lunch trucks, Comcast Center food court

**Mid-range (most appetizers under 12, most entrees around 20):** Amis, Chifa, Doma, Farmacia, JG Domestic, J.G. Trading Company, Kanella, La Viola Ovest, Mixto, Monk's, Lolita, Osteria, Oyster House, Pagoda, Positano, Spasso, Vedge, Vintage, Xochitl, Zahav

**Celebration:** Alma de Cuba, Amada, Bibou, Talulah's Garden, Vetri,