Brews & Bites

Korean Restaurant to Rittenhouse

A Korean restaurant will make its way to the heart of Rittenhouse Square at 2025 Sansom Street by the end of the year. Korea-born chef David Chang promises a predominantly traditional menu with techniques geared toward the American palate. A name has not been decided.

Top Happy Hours for Beer Lovers

Philly Eater listed some of the best Philadelphia spots for craft beer happy hours. Making the list is Bru Craft & Wurst with $4 craft draughts and cans Monday through Friday, 4p.m. - 7p.m., The Gaslight with $3 draughts and food items $4 Monday through Friday, 5p.m. - 7p.m., and Bar-Ly Chinatown with a late happy hour of 10p.m. - 12a.m. offering half off appetizers and select draughts.

Middle Eastern Eats in Philadelphia

From high-end modern Israeli, to budget-friendly falafel, Philadelphia offers excellent Middle Eastern fare. Enjoy overstuffed falafel at a great price with Mama’s Vegetarian in Rittenhouse, dive into unbelievably light hummus at Dizengoff and discover the hidden kosher treasure Hamifgash tucked away on Jewelers’ Row.

Three New Restaurants for Chinatown

Zagat Philadelphia identified three new restaurants for the Chinatown neighborhood including Sea Bar, showcasing ten varieties of East and West Coast oysters, and Bubblefish, which has a lengthy menu of sushi bar items paired with a beverage program of boba teas and herbal infusions. I.CE.NY, slated to open in May, is a Thai concept combining strawberry, green tea and chocolate ice cream with custom add-ons including mocha, red bean and condensed milk.

Where to go for brunch in Philadelphia

From a Chinese take on breakfast classics, to decadent Southern country-style benedicts, to pizza topped with eggs, Philadelphians love their brunch. Philly Eater named twelve brunch spots for visitors to dine like a local and indulge in delicious brunch fare. Making the list is Susanna Foo’s Suga, Old City’s The Little Lion, and the all-day café The Hungry Pigeon, among many other restaurants offering unique menu items.

Zagat Names Hottest Coffee Shops

Zagat Philadelphia names some of the hottest coffee shops in Philadelphia for hunkering down with a good book or relaxing with friends. From the newly opened Double Knot offering locally sourced Elixr coffee beans, to the traditional Malaysian coffee shop Sate Kampar located in South Philadelphia, to the flagship La Colombe housed in a stunning industrial space in Fishtown, there are great caffeine-fixing cafes all throughout Philadelphia.
Enjoy Philadelphia Alfresco
New Pop-Up Beer Garden to Rail Park
The base of the Reading Viaduct at 10th and Hamilton Streets will get a beer garden thanks to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and the Pew Center for Arts & Heritage. The Rail Park project is aimed at merging the post-industrial structure with urban green space, while the pop-up beer garden raises awareness and celebrates the Rail Park’s creation as a space that blends horticulture with art and history.

Independence Beer Garden Re-Opening
The Independence Beer Garden, located conveniently across from the Liberty Bell in the Historic District, is officially open for its 2016 season. Kitchen hours will go until 10 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday, 11 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, and until midnight on weekends. This seasonal beer garden is always a favorite for visitors exploring the historic district.

New to Citizens Bank Park
The Philadelphia Phillies home field, Citizens Bank Park, is offering new treats for the 2016 season including Rita’s Water Ice, Chick-fil-A and Wayback Burgers. Exciting new additions to familiar eateries include a Korean Fried Pork Belly Sandwich at Harry the K’s and Federal Donuts’ chicken sandwich.

SkyGarten to Top of the Tower
Philadelphia’s tallest beer garden will soon be at Top of the Tower at 3 Logan Square. Opening in June, SkyGarten rooftop bar will offer a draft line of great summertime German brews, cocktails, a focused wine list and a food menu of biergarten bar food all designed by the Brauhaus/Whetstone team.

The Piazza in Northern Liberties
A brew pub is headed to the Northern Liberties neighborhood’s The Piazza in 2017. The Piazza brew pub will offer a large space that will accommodate a seven tank brew system with a lot of outdoor seating in an open aired beer garden. The menu will focus on fresh, locally-sourced ingredients along with local wine and spirits to accompany the brewery’s own beers on tap. This is a great addition to the popular eatery destination at The Piazza.

Coming up...
Chinese Lantern Festival
The Chinese Lantern Festival has made its way to Historic Philadelphia to help kick off Franklin Square’s 10th Birthday. This ticketed festival will continue through June 12 for visitors and locals alike to enjoy amazing displays, exhibits and cultural activities.

South Street Spring Festival
The South Street Spring Festival is back for its fourth year on May 7 in Philadelphia. This free for all ages festival spans more than 12 city blocks with 125 vendors, 35 participating restaurants, and has more than 30 bands on 3 stage areas. The festival runs down South Street, beginning at Front Street and ending at 8th Street, and is always a fun-filled outdoor event.

Rittenhouse Row Spring Festival
On May 21, Philadelphia’s fashionable Rittenhouse Row Spring Festival celebrates the season with their annual event. Drawing more than 50,000 visitors, this festival showcases excellent cuisine, fashion, family-fun, arts and entertainment all throughout Walnut Street between Broad Street and 19th Street.
Meet in Philadelphia

Craft Brewers Conference
More than 10,000+ brewing industry professionals will gather from May 3-6 for the Craft Brewers Conference at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Dubbed the number one environment in North America for concentrated, affordable brewing education, this industry event is anticipated to attract 13,000 attendees.

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Less than 100 Days until DNC in PHL!

With less than 100 days until the Democratic National Convention begins in the City of Brotherly Love, the Philadelphia 2016 Host Committee is working to ensure this convention is a huge success. More events will be announced in the coming weeks and will join PoliticalFest, a one-of-a-kind week-long festival celebrating history and government, Donkeys Around Town, a civic initiative with fifty-seven painted fiberglass donkeys displayed at popular sites and attractions throughout Philadelphia, and a social media contest of #WhatMakesPhilly with a chance to win tickets to a Host Committee Party during Convention week.

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