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OpenTable Reveals 100 Hottest Restaurants in America

California, New York, Florida, Illinois, and Texas Restaurants Have Greatest Number of Winners; New Restaurants Are Well Represented

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- [OpenTable](#), the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), today revealed the [100 Hottest Restaurants in America for 2016](#). These awards reflect the combined opinions of more than 5 million restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for more than 20,000 restaurants in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.



Featuring stylish restaurants from celebrated chefs as well as those popular with celebrity diners, the complete list includes honorees in 27 states, such as [The Nice Guy](#) in West Hollywood, [Santina](#) in New York, and [Talde](#) in Jersey City. California has 25 winning restaurants, followed by New York with 15, and Florida and Illinois with seven each. Texas has five while Colorado and Georgia have four winners apiece. Louisiana, Massachusetts, and Nevada each have three winners. Arizona, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, and Utah count two winners per state. Connecticut, Iowa, Indiana, Maryland, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Tennessee are also represented.

The winning restaurants are highly regarded for their lively ambience, and many feature vibrant bar and lounge scenes with an after-hours feel. New restaurants made a splash with more than a fifth opening their doors in 2015 alone. While American cuisine was quite popular, Asian, global, Italian, Mexican, and sushi eateries also made strong showings.

"The honorees on this list have each crafted a delicious recipe for a thrilling meal," says Caroline Potter, OpenTable Chief Dining Officer. "From inventive fare with an international flair and enticing cocktail programs to energetic atmospheres and sexy surroundings, these restaurants have all the elements for a fresh, fun dining experience."

The list of the [100 Hottest Restaurants in America](#) is generated from more than 5 million restaurant reviews collected from verified OpenTable diners between March 1, 2015, and February 29, 2016. All restaurants with a minimum "overall" score and number of qualifying reviews were included for consideration. Qualifying restaurants were then sorted according to a score calculated from each restaurant's average rating in the "hot spot" category.

Based on this methodology, the following restaurants, listed in alphabetical order, comprise the 100 Hottest Restaurants in America according to OpenTable diners. The complete list may also be viewed at <http://www.opentable.com/m/100-hottest-restaurants-in-america/>.

2016 Top 100 Hottest Restaurants in America

[40/40 Club](#) - New York, New York
[8 Up](#) - Louisville, Kentucky
[Acorn](#) - Denver, Colorado
[Alley Cat Oyster Bar](#) - Cleveland, Ohio *
[AsiaSF](#) - San Francisco, California
[B.B. King's Blues Club](#) - Memphis, Tennessee
[B.B. King's Blues Club](#) - Orlando, Florida
[Beauty and Essex](#) - New York, New York
[Bestia](#) - Los Angeles, California
[Buccan](#) - Palm Beach, Florida
[Buddakan](#) - New York, New York
[Café Martorano](#) - Fort Lauderdale, Florida
[Cassia](#) - Santa Monica, California *

[Chino Latino](#) - Minneapolis, Minnesota
[Cork & Pig Tavern #2](#) - Odessa, Texas
[Culinary Dropout](#) - Tempe, Arizona
[Current](#) - Salt Lake City, Utah *
[Departure Restaurant and Lounge](#) - Portland, Oregon
[Dinosaur Bar-B-Que](#) - Rochester, New York
[do Restaurant at the View](#) - Atlanta, Georgia
[E.P.+L.P.](#) - West Hollywood, California *
[Eight4Nine](#) - Palm Springs, California *
[El Camino Mexican Soul Food & Tequila Bar](#) - Delray Beach, Florida
[Empire](#) - Boston, Massachusetts
[Forno Kitchen and Bar](#) - Columbus, Ohio *
[Gato](#) - New York, New York
[Girl & the Goat](#) - Chicago, Illinois
[Gjelina](#) - Venice, California
[The Grey](#) - Savannah, Georgia
[Gypsy Kitchen](#) - Atlanta, Georgia
[High Rooftop Lounge](#) - Venice, California
[The Hudson Room](#) - Peekskill, New York
[.ink](#) - West Hollywood, California
[The Ivy](#) - West Hollywood, California
[Izakaya Den](#) - Denver, Colorado
[Juniper & Ivy](#) - San Diego, California
[Kettner Exchange](#) - San Diego, California
[La Esquina](#) - New York, New York
[The Lark](#) - Santa Barbara, California
[Linger](#) - Denver, Colorado
[Lolita Cocina & Tequila Bar](#) - Boston, Massachusetts
[Manhattan Beach Post](#) - Manhattan Beach, California
[Marble + Rye](#) - Buffalo, New York *
[middle fork kitchen bar](#) - Lexington, Kentucky *
[Momotaro](#) - Chicago, Illinois
[MUA](#) - Oakland, California
[The Nest](#) - Indian Wells, California
[The Nice Guy](#) - West Hollywood, California
[O-Ku](#) - Charleston, South Carolina
[Ophelia's Electric Soapbox](#) - Denver, Colorado *
[Palace Bar](#) - Miami Beach, Florida
[Palmilla Cocina Y Tequila](#) - Hermosa Beach, California
[Peck's Arcade](#) - Troy, New York *
[Perch LA](#) - Los Angeles, California
[Pitch Coal-Fire Pizzeria](#) - Omaha, Nebraska
[Pitch Pizzeria-West](#) - Omaha, Nebraska *
[Prato](#) - Winter Park, Florida
[Pump](#) - West Hollywood, California
[Red Ginger](#) - Traverse City, Michigan
[Red Rooster Harlem](#) - New York, New York
[Republic](#) - Detroit, Michigan
[Republique](#) - Los Angeles, California
[The Rest](#) - Salt Lake City, Utah
[Rizzuto's Oyster Bar and Restaurant](#) - Westport, Connecticut
[RoCA](#) - Des Moines, Iowa
[Rocco's Tacos & Tequila Bar](#) - Orlando, Florida
[Rose. Rabbit. Lie. at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas](#) - Las Vegas, Nevada
[RPM Italian](#) - Chicago, Illinois
[Santina](#) - New York, New York *
[Shakou Sushi](#) - Libertyville, Illinois
[Shakou Sushi](#) - St. Charles, Illinois
[Shaya](#) - New Orleans, Louisiana *
[SoBe Restaurant & Lounge](#) - Lanham, Maryland *
[Spoon and Stable](#) - Minneapolis, Minnesota
[STK-NYC-Meatpacking](#) - New York, New York
[STK-The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas](#) - Las Vegas, Nevada
[Streets-BK](#) - Brooklyn, New York *
[Strip by Strega](#) - Boston, Massachusetts *

[SumoMaya Mexican-Asian Kitchen](#) - Scottsdale, Arizona
[Sur Restaurant](#) - West Hollywood, California
[Talde](#) - Jersey City, New Jersey *
[Tao Downtown](#) - New York, New York
[Tao Restaurant and Nightclub](#) - Las Vegas, Nevada
[Tender Bar + Kitchen](#) - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
[Three Dots and a Dash](#) - Chicago, Illinois
[Three Muses](#) - New Orleans, Louisiana
[Toca Madera](#) - West Hollywood, California *
[Toutant](#) - Buffalo, New York *
[The Tropicale](#) - Palm Springs, California
[Tsunami Shaw Center](#) - Baton Rouge, Louisiana
[Uchi](#) - Austin, Texas
[Uchi](#) - Dallas, Texas *
[Uchi](#) - Houston, Texas
[Uchiko](#) - Austin, Texas
[UMI](#) - Atlanta, Georgia
[Union 50](#) - Indianapolis, Indiana
[Untitled](#) - Chicago, Illinois
[Vitello's](#) - Studio City, California
[Yokozuna-Downtown](#) - Tulsa, Oklahoma
[Ysabel](#) - West Hollywood, California *

*Indicates restaurants opened in 2015

Diners can also learn more about the 100 Hottest Restaurants in America by visiting the [OpenTable blog](#).

About OpenTable Restaurant Reviews

Originally launched in November 2008, the OpenTable Reviews program helps diners find restaurants that best fit their dining occasions. Only diners who recently honored an OpenTable reservation are invited to submit restaurant reviews. Visitors to OpenTable can access reviews for thousands of OpenTable restaurant customers across the United States as well as Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Mexico and the UK. The OpenTable Reviews program has generated more than 38 million restaurant reviews by verified diners, establishing OpenTable as one of the largest and most trusted sources for restaurant reviews.

About OpenTable

[OpenTable](#), part of The Priceline Group (NASDAQ: PCLN), is the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations, seating more than 18 million diners per month via online bookings across more than 36,000 restaurants. The OpenTable network connects restaurants and diners, helping diners discover and book the perfect table and helping restaurants deliver personalized hospitality to keep guests coming back. The OpenTable service enables diners to see which restaurants have available tables, select a restaurant based on verified diner reviews, menus, and other helpful information, and easily book a reservation. In addition to the company's website and mobile apps, OpenTable powers online reservations for nearly 600 partners, including many of the Internet's most popular global and local brands. For restaurants, the OpenTable hospitality solutions enable them to manage their reservation book, streamline their operations, and enhance their service levels. Since its inception in 1998, OpenTable has seated more than 1 billion diners around the world. The Company is headquartered in San Francisco, California, and the OpenTable service is available throughout the United States, as well as in Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, and the UK.

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