

Canada's 100 Best Restaurants for a Big Night Out, According to OpenTable Diners

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Toronto Claims Greatest Number of Restaurants Rated by Diners for Having Lively Bar Scenes and Ambience

TORONTO, April 11, 2019 /CNW/ -- Canadians have officially made it through the winter. It's time to pack away the parkas and get ready for some big nights out on the town. QpenTable, the world's leading provider of online restaurant reservations and part of Booking Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: BKNG), has announced the 100 Best Restaurants in Canada for a Big Night Out to help diners navigate the latest hot spots for great dining and a fun night. These awards reflect the combined opinions of more than 550,000 restaurant reviews submitted by verified OpenTable diners for more than 2,500 restaurants in Canada.



The Big Night Out list includes the latest places to see and be seen in more than 25 cities across Canada. Ontario leads the late-night dining scene with 52 restaurants. Of those establishments, 38 are located in Toronto, which is the most-featured city on the list. Three other major Canadian cities are closely ranked for the next greatest number of restaurants, including Vancouver, Montreal and Calgary. Provincially, Alberta has the second-highest number of restaurants with 14 establishments, followed by British Columbia with 12 and Quebec with 12. The east coast is also represented with 5 bustling establishments.

"As temperatures heat up, so does the nightlife" said Caroline Potter, Chief Dining Officer, OpenTable. "This year's list of restaurants for a Big Night Out highlights hot spots where great dining experiences and fun are always on the menu."

Featured on the list are popular vibrant dining spots such as Akira Back in Toronto; upscale gems like Foxy in Montreal and food-first hotspots like Model Milk in Calgary. Mexican, Japanese, Portuguese and vegetarian were among the 39 different cuisines included, with Italian and French being the most popular cuisines on the list.

OpenTable's list of the 100 Best Restaurants for a Big Night Out in Canada for 2019 is generated solely from diner reviews collected between March 1, 2018 and February 28, 2019. All restaurants with a minimum "overall" score and number of qualifying reviews were included for consideration. The overall score is made up of unique data points, such as overall diner rating, user klout, total number of reviews and regional overall rating. Qualifying restaurants were then scored and sorted according to the sum of tags for which "hot spot" was selected as a special feature.

Based on this methodology, the 100 Best Restaurants in Canada for a Big Night Out according to OpenTable diners are as follows (in alphabetical order):

360 The Restaurant at the CN Tower - Toronto, ON

Akira Back - Toronto, ON

Amsterdam Brewhouse & Restaurant - Toronto, ON

ANEJO Restaurant - Calgary, AB

ANJU - Calgary, AB

Antoio Tacos + Tequila - Halifax, NS

Avenue - Regina, SK

Ayden Kitchen & Bar, Saskatoon, SK

Bar Isabel - Toronto, ON

Bar Lupulus - Ottawa, ON

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Baro - Toronto, ON
Berkelev North - Hamilton, ON
BIERA - Ritchie Market - Edmonton, AB
Black & Blue Steakhouse - Vancouver, BC
Boefish - Chicoutimi, QC; Sherbrooke, QC
Born & Raised - Hamilton, ON
Botanist - Vancouver, BC
Brasa Brazilian Steakhouse - Niagara Falls, ON
Brasserie 701 - Montreal, QC
Brasserie T! Quartier des Spectacles - Montreal, QC
Bridgette Bar - Calgary, AB
Buca Yorkville - Toronto, ON
Byblos - Toronto, ON
Canoe Restaurant and Bar - Toronto, ON
The Carbon Bar - Toronto, ON
The Canteen on Portland - Dartmouth, NS
Charbar - Calgary, AB
Cibo Wine Bar - Toronto, ON (Yorkville Ave.); Toronto, ON (King St.)
CLEAVER – Calgary, AB
Cluny - Toronto, ON
Copacabana Brazilian Steak House - Niagara Falls, ON; Toronto, ON (Adelaide St.); Vaughan, ON
<u>DaiLo</u> – Toronto, ON
Damas - Montreal, QC
<u>Drake Devonshire Inn</u> – Wellington, ON
<u>Drake One Fifty</u> – Toronto, ON
Earls Kitchen + Bar - Toronto, ON
El Catrin - Toronto, ON
El Santo - New Westminster, BC
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Elbow Room - Calgary, AB
Europea - Montreal, QC
The Exchange on Hollis - Halifax, NS
Fairouz - Ottawa, ON
Figo – Toronto, ON
Flame and Smith - Bloomfield, ON
Foxy - Montreal, QC
Giulietta - Toronto, ON
Glowbal - Vancouver, BC
Grey Gardens - Toronto, ON
GRINGO STREET - Calgary, AB
Gyu-Kaku - Montreal, AB
Italian by Night - Saint John, NB
Joe Fortes Seafood & Chop House - Vancouver, BC
The Keg Steakhouse + Bar - Windsor, ON
Kellys Landing - Toronto, ON
Kitchen76 at Two Sisters Vineyards - Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON
Kobe Japanese Steak House - Vancouver, BC
KŌST – Toronto, ON
Kyo Bar Japonais - Montreal, QC
La Banane - Toronto, ON
La Carnita - Toronto, ON
Lake House Restaurant - Vineland, ON
Lena Restaurante - Toronto, ON
Locale – Aurora, ON
Mamakas Taverna - Toronto, ON
The Melting Pot - Edmonton, AB
The Merchant Kitchen - Winnipeg, MB
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The Merchant Tavern - St. John's, NF Miku Restaurant - Vancouver, BC; Toronto, ON Minami Restaurant - Vancouver, BC Mira - Toronto, ON Modavie - Montreal, QC Model Milk - Calgary, AB Momofuku Kojin - Toronto, ON The Nash - Calgary, AB ORETTA - Toronto, ON Osteria Savio Volpe - Vancouver, BC Pampa Brazilian Steakhouse - Edmonton, AB Patria – Toronto, ON Pepino's Spaghetti House - Vancouver, BC Piano Piano - Toronto, ON Pineridge Hollow - RM of Springfield, MB Pizzeria Gusto - Winnipeg, MB Planta - Toronto, ON Portus 360 - Montreal, QC Restaurant Toque! - Montreal, QC Richmond Station - Toronto, ON Riviera - Ottawa, ON Rooftop Bar at the Broadview Hotel - Toronto, ON Rosalinda - Toronto, ON Sabor Restaurant - Edmonton, AB Scaddabush Italian Kitchen & Bar - Toronto, ON Sofia - Toronto, ON Sticks and Stones - Saskatoon, SK STK - Toronto, ON

Storm Crow Manor - Toronto, ON

Ten Foot Henry - Calgary, AB

Terroni - Toronto, ON (Queen St.); Toronto, ON (Adelaide St.); Toronto, ON (Summerhill)

Treadwell Farm-to-Table Cuisine - Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON

The Victor -Vancouver, BC

Wildebeest - Vancouver, BC

The complete list may also be viewed at https://www.opentable.com/lists/100-best-restaurants-for-a-big-night-out-in-canada-2019.

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