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## OpenTable Diner Reviews Reveal Top 100 Best Restaurants of 2012

**Restaurants in 27 states and Washington, D.C. recognized; California, New York, Virginia, Arizona, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania among states with strongest showings**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- As we reflect on a fabulous year of fine dining, [OpenTable](#) (NASDAQ: OPEN), a leading provider of free, real-time online restaurant reservations for diners and reservation and guest management solutions for restaurants, is pleased to announce the 2012 Diners' Choice Award winners for the [Top 100 Best Restaurants in the United States](#). These awards reflect the combined opinions of more than 5 million reviews submitted by [verified OpenTable diners](#) for more than 15,000 restaurants in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

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The list of winners, which includes Eleven Madison Park in New York City, Manresa in Los Gatos, Calif., and o ya in Boston, spans 27 states and Washington, D.C. California restaurants earned 24 spots on the list, followed by New York with 18 winners. Virginia boasts six winning restaurants, trailed by Arizona, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania with four honorees apiece. North Carolina, Rhode Island, Texas, Washington, and Washington, D.C. all have three winning restaurants, while Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, and Ohio have two each. Connecticut earned a single spot, as did Hawaii, Kansas, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Restaurants serving American fare dominated the list; French cuisine is also strongly represented.

"This year's honorees have accomplished what every restaurant aspires to — making guests feel as though they have had a truly singular dining experience," said OpenTable Chief Dining Officer Caroline Potter. "These best overall restaurants are consistently getting it right on every level, from top flight ambiance and service to cocktail lists and menus that positively dazzle diners."

The Diners' Choice Awards for the Top 100 Best Restaurants in the U.S. are generated from more than 5 million reviews collected from [verified OpenTable diners](#) between December 1, 2011 and November 30, 2012. All restaurants with a minimum 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 "overall" category along with that restaurant's rating relative to others in the same metropolitan area and the average number of restaurants reviewed by diners who reviewed that restaurant.

Based on this methodology, the following restaurants, listed in alphabetical order, comprise the Top 100 Best Restaurants in the U.S. according to OpenTable diners. The complete list may also be viewed at <http://www.opentable.com/bestoverall>.

### 2012 Diners' Choice Award Winners for the Top 100 Best Restaurants in the U.S.

[Acquerello](#) — San Francisco, California  
[Addison at The Grand Del Mar](#) — San Diego, California  
[Altura](#) — Seattle, Washington  
[Andrea at Pelican Hill](#) — Newport Coast, California  
[Annisa](#) — New York, New York  
[Artisanal Restaurant](#) — Banner Elk, North Carolina  
[The Ashby Inn](#) — Paris, Virginia  
[Atelier Crenn](#) — San Francisco, California  
[Auberge du Soleil](#) — Rutherford, California  
[Bacchanalia](#) — Atlanta, Georgia  
[The Belvedere](#) — Beverly Hills, California  
[Bibou](#) — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
[Binkley's Restaurant](#) — Cave Creek, Arizona  
[Bistro L'Hermitage](#) — Woodbridge, Virginia  
[Blue Hill at Stone Barns](#) — Pocantico Hills, New York  
[Bouchard Restaurant and Inn](#) — Newport, Rhode Island  
[Bouley](#) — New York, New York  
[Café Provence](#) — Prairie Village, Kansas  
[Café Renaissance](#) — Vienna, Virginia

[Canlis](#) — Seattle, Washington  
[Capital Grille](#) — Kansas City, Missouri  
[Capital Grille](#) — Minneapolis, Minnesota  
[Carpe Vino](#) — Auburn, California  
[Castle Hill Inn](#) — Newport, Rhode Island  
[Chachama Grill](#) — East Patchogue, New York  
[Chama Gaucha Brazilian Steakhouse](#) — Downers Grove, Illinois  
[Charleston](#) — Baltimore, Maryland  
[Charleston Grill](#) — Charleston, South Carolina  
[Chez Francois](#) — Vermilion, Ohio  
[Chez Nous French Restaurant](#) — Humble, Texas  
[CityZen](#) — Washington, D.C.  
[Commis](#) — Oakland, California  
[Cottage Place Restaurant](#) — Flagstaff, Arizona  
[Daniel](#) — New York, New York  
[Daniel-Lounge Seating](#) — New York, New York  
[Del Posto](#) — New York, New York  
[Eleven Madison Park](#) — New York, New York  
[Farmhouse Inn & Restaurant](#) — Forestville, California  
[Farrington House Restaurant](#) — Pittsboro, North Carolina  
[Fountain Restaurant](#) — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
[The French Laundry](#) — Yountville, California  
[The French Room](#) — Dallas, Texas  
[Geronimo](#) — Santa Fe, New Mexico  
[The Goodstone Inn & Estate Restaurant](#) — Middleburg, Virginia  
[Gracie's](#) — Providence, Rhode Island  
[Gramercy Tavern](#) — New York, New York  
[Hannas Prime Steak](#) — Rancho Santa Margarita, California  
[The Hobbit](#) — Orange, California  
[Jean Georges](#) — New York, New York  
[Joseph Tambellini](#) — Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
[JUNGSIK](#) — New York, New York  
[Kai — Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort](#) — Chandler, Arizona  
[Keiko à Nob Hill](#) — San Francisco, California  
[King Umberto](#) — Elmont, New York  
[The Kitchen Restaurant](#) — Sacramento, California  
[La Ciccia](#) — San Francisco, California  
[La Folie](#) — San Francisco, California  
[La Grenouille](#) — New York, New York  
[L'Auberge Chez Francois](#) — Great Falls, Virginia  
[Le Bernardin](#) — New York, New York  
[Le Vallauris](#) — Palm Springs, California  
[Le Yaca](#) — Williamsburg, Virginia  
[L'Espalier](#) — Boston, Massachusetts  
[The Loft at Montage Laguna Beach](#) — Laguna Beach, California  
[Mama's Fish House](#) — Paia, Hawaii  
[Manresa](#) — Los Gatos, California  
[Marcel's](#) — Washington, D.C.  
[Marinus-Bernadus Lodge](#) — Carmel Valley, California  
[Menton](#) — Boston, Massachusetts  
[Michael's — South Point Casino](#) — Las Vegas, Nevada  
[The Modern-Dining Room](#) — New York, New York  
[n/naka](#) — Los Angeles, California  
[NAOE](#) — Miami, Florida  
[Nicholas](#) — Red Bank, New Jersey  
[Norman's at The Ritz-Carlton Orlando](#) — Orlando, Florida  
[The North Fork Table & Inn](#) — Southold, New York  
[o ya](#) — Boston, Massachusetts  
[ON20](#) — Hartford, Connecticut  
[Orchids at Palm Court](#) — Cincinnati, Ohio  
[The Painted Lady](#) — Newberg, Oregon  
[Palace Arms at The Brown Palace](#) — Denver, Colorado  
[Per Se](#) — New York, New York  
[Perry Street Brasserie](#) — Galena, Illinois  
[Providence](#) — Los Angeles, California

[Restaurant Alma](#) — Minneapolis, Minnesota  
[Restaurant Iris](#) — Memphis, Tennessee  
[Rover's](#) — Seattle, Washington  
[Rudy & Paco Restaurant & Bar](#) — Galveston, Texas  
[Saint Jacques French Cuisine](#) — Raleigh, North Carolina  
[Saison](#) — San Francisco, California  
[Scalini Fedeli](#) — New York, New York  
[ShinBay](#) — Scottsdale, Arizona  
[Sonoma](#) — Princeton, Massachusetts  
[Splendido](#) — Beaver Creek, Colorado  
[Studio at Montage Laguna Beach](#) — Laguna Beach, California  
[Tony's](#) — St. Louis, Missouri  
[Tosca Ristorante](#) — Washington, D.C.  
[Vetri](#) — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
[VOLT](#) — Frederick, Maryland  
[Woodfire Grill](#) — Atlanta, Georgia

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Originally launched in November 2008, the [OpenTable Reviews program](#) helps diners find restaurants that best fit their dining occasions. Diners who recently honored an OpenTable reservation are invited via email to submit restaurant feedback using an online form. Visitors to OpenTable can access reviews for thousands of OpenTable restaurant partners across the United States, Canada and the UK. The OpenTable Reviews program has generated more than 15 million reviews by verified diners, establishing [OpenTable](#) as one of the largest and most trusted sources for restaurant reviews.

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