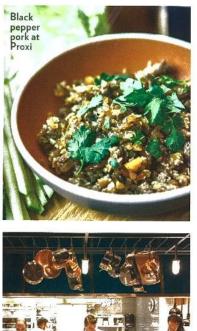


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The Hot List

10 places everyone's talking about (in order of heat)







 PROXI Refined Sepia just got a sassy new sibling. Think globally inspired street food cooked over an open fire. 565 W. Randolph St.

SPLIT-RAIL Zoe Schor's (Ada St.) American cuisine means anything from chips and dip with caviar to charred octopus with chorizo. 2500 W. Chicago Ave.

DAISIES Joe Frillman's (Balena) pastacentric spot has a lock on local produce: His brother Tim is a farmer just north of the city. 2523 N. Milwaukee Ave.

NOYANE Not just any rooftop bar, this one has sake, sushi, and a perfect view of the Mag Mile. *Conrad Chicago*, 101 E. Erie St.

SAL'S TRATTORIA On a street crowded with strollers and families, casual Italian hits the sweet spot. 2834 N. Southport Ave.

LUCKY FISH ON SHERMER A fun Highwood seafood joint finds a whole new fan base in Northbrook. 1349 Shermer Rd., Northbrook

NUTELLA CAFE How many ways can you serve Nutella? Clearly, enough to support an all-day café. 189 N. Michigan Ave.

CLEVER RABBIT This veg-, gluten-, and dairy-conscious rookie hedges its bets with a griddled double cheeseburger. 2015 W. Division St.

THE ALBERT Proving that casually elegant dining, sans tasting menus, is alive and well. *Hotel EMC2, 228 E. Ontario St.*

MARSHALL'S LANDING At last, our epic furniture mart has a stylish lounge for cocktails and snacks. 222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza. – PENNY POLLACK