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Don't miss out on Chicago's wealth of attractions, adventures and experiences

Recognized the world over as the Windy City, Chicago is a bustling metropolis where architectural innovation, outstanding food and internationally acclaimed entertainment come together. Once the setting for gangsters battling it out during Prohibition, Chicago has emerged from the notoriety associated with the likes

of Al Capone to establish itself as a vibrant and multicultural city. Following the Great Chicago Fire in 1871, the city witnessed a building boom that is still a prominent part of its skyline and ethos today. From the Home Insurance Building, the first steel-framed high-rise, to Anish Kapoor's Cloud Gate, Chicago offers an architectural

spectacle like no other. With roots deeply entrenched in jazz and blues, the city's festivals, theaters and nightspots offer a variety of entertainment that showcases Chicago's eclectic culture. This ambience is exemplified by the wonderfully diverse selection of Michelin-starred restaurants and the magnificence of the city's skyline.



CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL ANNUALLY IN JUNE

Address: Grant Park, Jackson Boulevard & Columbus Drive

Website: www.chicagofestivals.net

The Chicago Blues Festival remains the largest of the City's music festivals. Taking place over three days across five stages, more than 500,000 blues fans descend on Chicago to celebrate the Blues legends of the past, present and future. Created in 1984 to celebrate musical genius Muddy Waters, the festival has since been graced with stellar performers including Bonnie Raitt, Ray Charles and B.B. King. Whether it's Chuck Berry sharing the stage with Keith Richards or John Lee Hooker singing 'Boogie Chillin', if you're in Chicago in mid June the Blues Festival is not to be missed.

CHARLIE TROTTER'S

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Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / ambiance: With an entirely self-taught chef of the same name at the helm, Charlie Trotter's is regarded as one of the finest restaurants in the world. The recipient of countless awards including two Michelin stars and a member of Traditions et Qualité, Charlie Trotter's is a must for any visitor to Chicago. Producing three daily tasting menus: the Grand Menu, the Vegetable Menu and the Kitchen Menu, Chef Trotter works upon the principle that each course lays the foundation for the next; a progression of petite courses culminating in one remarkably unified taste phenomenon.



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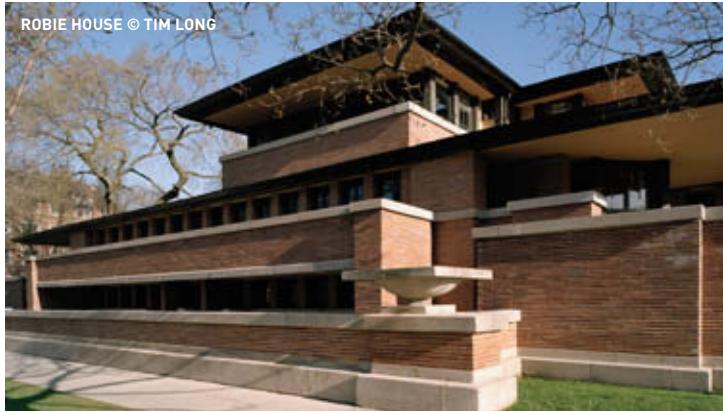
The Chicago Architecture Foundation was created following the efforts of community members to save H. H. Richardson's architectural masterpiece, the Glessner House, from demolition. The non-profit organization now runs nearly 90 different tours by boat, bus or on foot. Private tours can be organized on request, covering everything from modern skyscrapers, to historic downtown, to neighborhood tours. The foundation also organizes Appetite for Design programs, whereby visitors can experience the culinary and architectural delights of some of Chicago's top restaurants.

CHARLIE TROTTER'S



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PRIVATE HIRE OF FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S ROBIE HOUSE

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Considered one of the most important buildings in the history of American architecture, Robie House was created in 1910 by Frank Lloyd Wright for businessman Frederick C. Robie. Designed in the Prairie Style, the building is now seen as a forerunner of architectural modernism. Private hire of Robie House will give you access to one of the National Trust for Historic Preservation's official sites, a truly unique experience. Begin with an exclusive guided tour, allowing you to see firsthand the thoughtfully designed interior and exquisite art glass that makes this building so iconic. Follow with a drinks reception or intimate dinner, giving you the time to soak in your surroundings while enjoying some of the best catering Chicago has to offer.

SOLDIER FIELD EXPERIENCE

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Soldier Field is a renowned city and sporting landmark and it can now be hired out for an exclusive one-of-a-kind experience. Eighteen guests will have the chance to battle it out at this legendary ground, with 1985 World Champions Steve McMichael and MVP Richard Dent acting as coaches. Heading first to the professional locker room, where each guest will have a locker complete with custom-engraved nameplate, a spirited pep talk will be given by the day's coaches. Then dressed in personalized football jerseys, the team will run out onto the field through the dense fog curtain and fireworks. The unforgettable game of flag football comes complete with a half-time show, closing firework display, and a whole host of added extras including a gourmet 'championship' meal. Costing around \$165,000 this is a truly unique experience afforded only to the Elite Traveler.

PRIVATE HIRE JOHN HANCOCK OBSERVATORY

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With sweeping views of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, the 94th floor John Hancock Observatory offers visitors some of the best views in Chicago. Make your visit there even more extraordinary by hiring out the Observatory for an evening of dinner and drinks. With catering provided by the award-winning Blue Plate and an events team keen to make your evening perfectly memorable, private hire of the John Hancock Observatory is the ultimate way for the elite traveler to enjoy the magnificent Chicago skyline. In summer, opt for a Wednesday or Saturday and end your evening in style watching the Navy Pier fireworks; while in January, February and March, private use of the temporary ice rink will make your experience extra special.

VIEW FROM JOHN HANCOCK OBSERVATORY



SOLDIER FIELD



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JAY BALDRIDGE

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Begin your day with a morning run along Lake Michigan followed by breakfast at M. Henry. Afterwards, enjoy a Romance and Relaxation package at The Spa at Trump; the side-by-side infinity bath and massage with champagne is a must. Spend the afternoon watching a concert in Millennium Park's Pritzker Pavilion with a special catered picnic by Pastoral. Afterwards, drop by the Art Institute of Chicago before hitting the shops; men head to Haberdash, and ladies get something custom made at Borris Powell's Studio. Complete your perfect day in Chicago with cocktails at The Terrace at Trump followed by a private dinner on the Lady Grebe, with fireworks bringing the night to an explosive finale.

BEST RESTAURANTS

Girl & The Goat

Blue 13

Sixteen

BEST SHOP

Element, 741 North Wells Street

BEST TO DO

Flight Chicago Food Tour

TODD NELSON

CHIEF CONCIERGE, THE PENINSULA CHICAGO

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Enjoy breakfast at our European-style café, Pierrot Gourmet, then hop into one of the Peninsula's complementary chauffeur driven Mini Coopers to take in the sights of the city. Stop off and enjoy the view at the top of the John Hancock Observatory and then hit Oak Street for some fabulous shopping. Drop by Millennium Park en route to lunch at The Lobby. Then take a Peninsula Academy Chicago Film Tour before relaxing at the ESPA Peninsula Spa. Spend the evening dining in Avenues, before heading to blues bar Blue Chicago.

BEST RESTAURANTS

Gibsons

Topolobampo

Pelago Ristorante

BEST SHOP

Material Possessions

BEST TO DO

Art Institute of Chicago



TODD NELSON

CONCIERGE RECOMMENDATIONS

CATHERINE DAVIDS CONCIERGE, SAX CHICAGO

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Begin your day with a stop at Intelligentsia (Best Coffee Beans 2010, Village Voice) and a walk through Millennium Park to see the Prizker Pavilion and Lurie Garden. Then wander across the street to The Gage, the perfect place for an Irish inspired brunch on the weekends. Afterwards, walk to the Art Institute of Chicago and then take one of the Chicago Architecture Foundation's River Cruises for a relaxing 90-minute tour of the city. Spend the remainder of the afternoon in the Bucktown and Wicker Park districts and enjoy some great shopping in the amazing boutiques. In the evening, head to the Girl and the Goat, finishing with a nightcap at the Violet Hour.

BEST RESTAURANTS

Alinea

Topolobampo

Girl and the Goat

BEST SHOP

Blake, 500 South Dearborn Street

BEST TO DO

Chicago Symphony Orchestra

CATHERINE DAVIDS



BALSAN



EDWARD TOBIN CONCIERGE, ELYSIAN

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Start your day with breakfast at the Balsan, where you can enjoy appetizing small plates of delights such as granola parfait, seasonal fruits and pastries whilst taking in the elegant modern décor. After breakfast head to The Richard H. Driehaus Museum and take a pre-reserved tour around the 19th century site. Make your way down to Millennium Park and spend the afternoon relaxing with Anish Kapoor's Cloud Gate and the staggering Chicago skyline to keep you entertained. Dine just steps from Millennium Park at Henri Restaurant, where Executive Chef Dirk Flanigan presents some of the most delicious French-influenced American cuisine in Chicago.

BEST RESTAURANTS

GT Fish and Oyster

Bistronomic

Maude's Liquor Bar

BEST SHOP

Ikram, 873 North Rush Street

BEST TO DO

Pre-dinner drinks at Hubbard Inn

WHERE TO STAY

Whether a sumptuous bed, a spectacular view or service beyond compare – choose from our stunning selection



FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

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Located steps from chic North Michigan Avenue shops, and minutes from Chicago's business and financial centers, the Four Seasons Hotel is the perfect destination for elite business and leisure travelers alike. Having recently completed an elegant restyling, the luxury five-star hotel offers a fresh and contemporary ambiance with astounding views of



Lake Michigan and the city's magnificent skyline. Guests will also enjoy the hotel's Health and Fitness Club with its 15-meter indoor pool, while gourmets will head straight to the Michelin-starred Seasons Restaurant. With a complimentary Martini Man shaking up martinis, an Ice Cream Man delivering sweet treats and a Bedtime Stories Butler on hand for children, the Four Seasons has every aspect of your stay covered.

TOP SUITE

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE

- Square footage: 2,300
- Nightly rate: \$7,500

Why we love it: With the tallest hotel views in the city, the Four Seasons Presidential Suite matches the breathtaking views of its exterior with the grandeur of its interior. Having recently been transformed with rich hues of green and chocolate brown, the sprawling 46th floor corner suite includes three bedrooms and four full bathrooms. Silk wall coverings, custom hand-knotted carpeting and modern art provide the perfect blend of classic and contemporary, while amenities like the personally stocked wet bar and daily laundry service ensure the room's luxury is extended to every part of your stay. In addition, the new fitness room features a treadmill, elliptical trainer, weight bench, free weights and Pilates mats, as well as a flatscreen television, DVD player and workout DVDs. To top it off, a personal Concierge is on hand to cater for all your technological needs upon your arrival.

WHERE TO STAY

THE DRAKE

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Since the 1920s, no other Chicago hotel has inspired more legendary acclaim than The Drake. As the eras passed, this Italian Renaissance-style hotel solidified its reputation as a Chicago original; the first hotel in the city to provide air conditioning and color televisions in all guest rooms, it has constantly been at the forefront of luxury. Refusing to compromise on their high standards, The Drake became the only hotel in Chicago to retain elevator operators, and to spurn ice machines until the quality became comparable to handmade cubes. With such a relentless dedication to maintaining luxury at any cost, The Drake provides its guests with a level of prestige and refinement which is often hard to find. In addition, health conscious elite travelers will be happy to discover that the Drake is a 100% non-smoking establishment.

TOP SUITE

PRINCESS DIANA SUITE

▪ Square footage: 2,000 ▪ Nightly rate: From \$3,000

Why we love it: With its velvet upholstery, rich drapery and framed photos of its namesake, the Princess Diana Suite is the pinnacle of opulence. Graced by dignitaries from around the world including the Prime Minister of Australia, Queen Elizabeth II, the Queen of Thailand, former First Lady Nancy Reagan and the late Princess Diana, a stay here cements your place among the ultra elite.

PRINCESS DIANA SUITE BEDROOM



PRINCESS DIANA SUITE LOUNGE

WHERE TO STAY

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Situated within the city's prestigious Magnificent Mile in the famed Gold Coast area, the Park Hyatt embodies the distinctive European cachet of its location. With a 24-hour concierge and the hotel's exclusive E-Concierge service, a stay at the Park Hyatt will guarantee you make the most of the glamorous boutiques, fine restaurants, and sophisticated entertainment Chicago has to offer. Featuring museum-quality works of art, award-winning dining and a dedicated personal service team, the Park Hyatt is an ideal choice for the discerning Elite Traveler.

TOP SUITE

WATERTOWER SUITE

- Square footage: 1,900 ▪ Nightly rate: \$1,750

Why we love it: The Watertower Suite offers guests the ambiance of a well-appointed residence with all the amenities of a world-class hotel; including a butler service, 24-hour concierge, and a clothes pressing and shoe shining service. The magnificent views of Lake Michigan, the suite's marbled foyer, expansive living space and separate office and kitchen areas provide the elite traveler with the ultimate in lavish surroundings to make the most of their stay in the Windy City.



PARK HYATT LOBBY © HYATT HOTELS



WATERTOWER SUITE LOUNGE

THE PENTHOUSE LOFT



THE JAMES

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A stylish and engaging alternative for the discerning business and leisure traveler, The James celebrates the refined, socially conscious lifestyle of its guests. Centrally located on the corner of Rush and Ontario, the hotel features David Burke's Primehouse classic American steakhouse, the JBar Lounge, and expansive meeting and events spaces. The hotel has been graced by the likes of Lenny Kravitz, Lady Gaga and Kanye West, proving that their dedication to a timelessly modern form and an obsessive attention to detail is a truly winning combination.

TOP SUITE

THE PENTHOUSE LOFT

- Square footage: 1,400 ▪ Nightly rate: \$2,500

Why we love it: The magnificent 1,400 square foot Penthouse lofts strike the balance between active engagement and pure comfort to outstanding effect. The formal living area is ideal for the elite traveler's busy social life and beautifully complemented by the relaxing spa-like bathroom and stylish bedrooms. Natural materials such as oiled walnut and carved solid teak wood provide a warm, welcoming ambiance, which is enhanced by all the amenities included in the hotel's 'Luxury Package'. Customized meals from David Burke's Primehouse can be enjoyed in the comfortable dining area with seating for six, while guests can relax afterwards in classic Eames lounge chairs.

WHERE TO STAY

PENTHOUSE SUITE MASTER BEDROOM



SAX CHICAGO

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A successful combination of traditional elegance and sexy bohemian, Sax Chicago in the heart of the city's downtown offers a totally different luxury hotel experience. Inviting and warm, the hotel features a fusion of design influences which provide the perfect retreat to those looking for a chic and stylish experience. Sax Chicago serves as a hub to the pulsing Marina City area, which includes the popular House of Blues Restaurant and Concert venue, as well as the 10 pin bowling lounge, Bin 36 Wine Cellar, and the hip Crimson Lounge located in the hotel's foyer.

TOP SUITE

PENTHOUSE SUITE

- Square footage: 2,000 ▪ Nightly rate: \$3,500

Why we love it: The Sax Penthouse fills its abundant 2,000 square feet with forward-thinking décor – ideal for the stylishly distinguished traveler. Leather headboards, faux fur throws and accent pillows certify the Sax's place as a cool, luxurious alternative to the more classic Chicago hotels. In addition to the master bedroom, elite travelers will enjoy the eight-seat dining room, living room and even a billiard table. The suite's 270 degree views of the city have been enjoyed by the likes of Dan Aykroyd, Jim Belushi and Bill Clinton who have all given the Sax Penthouse their seal of approval.

THE PENINSULA CHICAGO



THE PENINSULA CHICAGO

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A worthy member of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels group, The Peninsula Chicago's rich heritage is known for its Far East graciousness combined with generous Midwest hospitality. Situated in the heart of Chicago's 'Magnificent Mile', the hotel's 339 spacious guestrooms and suites are furnished in a magnificent classical style. Synonymous with luxurious comfort and impeccable service, The Peninsula's latest refurbishments include new carpeting, drapery and an array of new technology installed, while the rooms offer the highest standard of luxe living. Visit the Peninsula Chicago's ESPA spa to relax and unwind, enjoy the hotel's Royal champagne afternoon tea or dine at Avenues, the Peninsula's culinary pièce de résistance.

THE PENINSULA SUITE LIVING ROOM



TOP SUITE

THE PENINSULA SUITE

- Square footage: 3,000 ▪ Nightly rate: \$8,000

Why we love it: Overlooking Michigan and Chicago Avenues on the hotel's 18th floor, the Peninsula Suite exudes a truly timeless elegance. From the baby grand piano to a wraparound terrace with its own Jacuzzi, every amenity is at your disposal. With the capacity to be seamlessly converted into a one-to three-bedroom suite, or with an entire wing easily blocked off for guests requiring extra privacy, the Peninsula can cater for every elite traveler's needs.

WHERE TO STAY

TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER
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TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER

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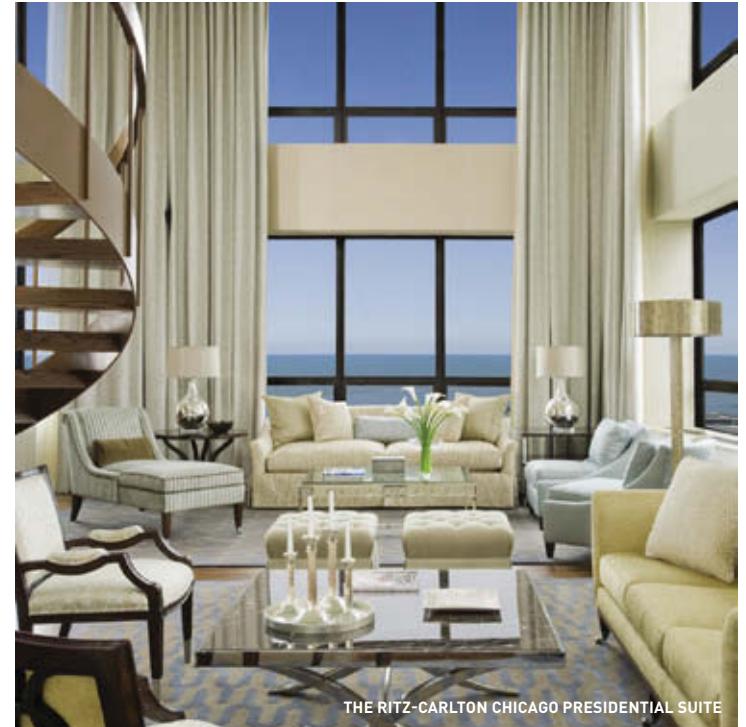
The Trump International Hotel & Tower brings sophistication and elegance to the heart of Chicago. Located at the juncture of North Michigan Avenue and the Loop, the hotel comprises 339 luxuriously appointed guest rooms with floor-to-ceiling windows commanding superlative views of this fabulous city. With a Michelin-rated restaurant, lavish spa and opulent cocktail lounge, the Trump International is the perfect hotel for discerning elite travelers.

TOP SUITE

GRAND DELUXE SUITE

▪ Square footage: 2,200 ▪ Nightly rate: \$1,500

Why we love it: The hotel offers five grand deluxe suites, each designed by McGinley Design and comprised of two rooms and three limestone bathrooms. Every detail of each suite is designed to encourage guests to unwind and enjoy the stunning city views, thanks to the 10-foot floor-to-ceiling windows. From the custom furnishings and deep-soaking bathtub, to thoughtful extras like a Nespresso coffee maker and stainless steel Miele cook top, the Trump delivers everything an elite guest may need.



THE RITZ-CARLTON CHICAGO, A FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

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Set atop Water Tower Place, high above prestigious North Michigan Avenue, The Ritz-Carlton Chicago offers a setting of unmistakable grandeur. Featuring newly restyled guestrooms with exquisite décor and breathtaking views, as well as a newly renovated grand lobby complete with a truly iconic fountain; The Ritz-Carlton Chicago is a world class hotel. The new deca Restaurant + Bar provides guests with contemporary brasserie-style cuisine in Art Deco-inspired surroundings. The hotel's exclusive added extras include full service spa and fitness club, a candy man on call to bring children treats, and daily cookie baking for kids with The Ritz-Carlton Chicago pastry chef.

TOP SUITE

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE

▪ Square footage: 2,900 ▪ Nightly rate: \$6,500

Why we love it: The re-designed two-storey Presidential Suite boasts a spiral staircase, beautiful new interiors, and floor-to-ceiling window views of Lake Michigan, from the corner of the 25th and 26th floors. The spacious two-bedroom suite also includes a kitchen; living, dining and study rooms; and three full marble bathrooms, plus two guest powder rooms. The extravagant media room houses a baby grand piano and Bose surround sound stereo system. Guests of this illustrious suite can enjoy amenities as impressive as their accommodation: a 24-hour personal assistant, transportation to and from the local airport in a Rolls Royce Phantom, and a daily, in-room 90-minute massage.

WHERE TO STAY



ELYSIAN

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Designed by renowned architect Lucien Lagrange, the Elysian hotel believes luxury should be an unexpected and uncompromising experience, extending to every aspect of the elite traveller's stay. Energetic and fashion forward, the Elysian's 188 spacious guestrooms and suites boast elegantly modern furnishings, cosy fireplaces, marble bathrooms and Rivolta Carmignani Italian bed linens. The exquisite interior is complemented by the richly detailed exterior and European courtyard, reminiscent of the

grand hotels of the 1920s. Guests can also enjoy complimentary admission to the Museum of Contemporary Art.

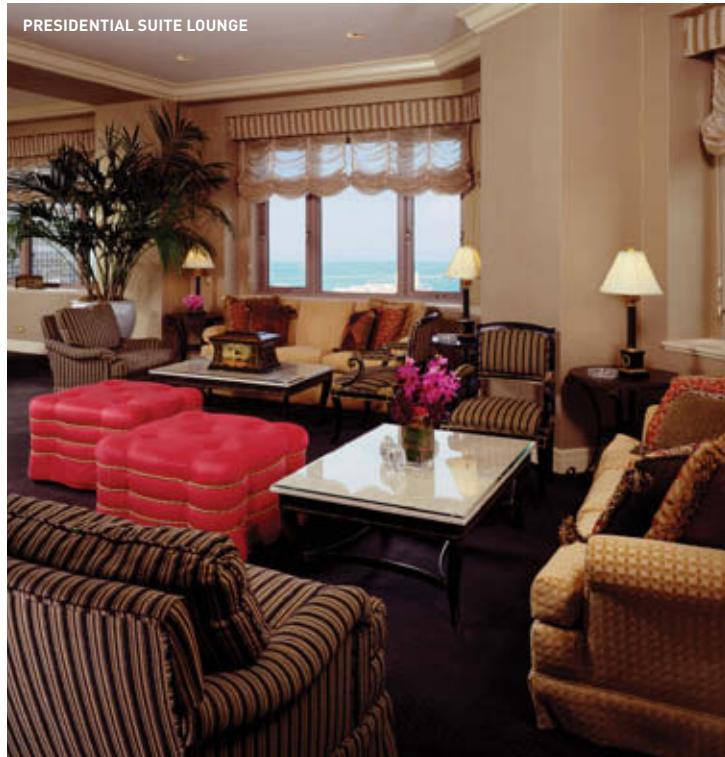
TOP SUITE

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE

- Square footage: 3,160 ▪ Nightly rate: \$6,000

Why we love it: At 3160 square feet, the Elysian's palatial Presidential Suite features two elegantly appointed bedrooms, an expansive living room, a master bathroom, and a separate powder room. If that wasn't enough, there is also an elite media room complete with a high-definition television, video library, gaming system and telephone conferencing service. Located on the 26th floor, guests can while away the day on one of the two beautiful terraces offering panoramic views of the prestigious Gold Coast neighborhood and beyond.

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE LOUNGE



FAIRMONT CHICAGO, MILLENNIUM PARK

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Following a dramatic \$50 million transformation, the Fairmont Chicago has become a beacon of modern design and luxury. Situated near Grant Park, the new lobby is a continuation of the City's grandeur and architectural magnificence, with crisp lines, dark woods and neutral finishes tinged with pops of colour. This AAA Four-Diamond landmark seamlessly blends the classic approach to luxury service with a contemporary elegant style to perfect effect, and continues to provide exceptional service to every guest.

TOP SUITE

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE

- Square footage: 1,850 ▪ Nightly rate: \$4,000

Why we love it: Featuring an illustrative montage of President Obama's life, and the 43 previous US leaders, a stay at the Fairmont's Presidential Suite will put you in the company of America's ultra elite. The elegant foyer leads into a living room, dining room, library, and a spacious bedroom with separate dressing room area. Added extras include a butler's pantry, open wet bar and a lavish bath with Jacuzzi. The distinguished design is perfectly complemented by the breathtaking view of Chicago's impressive Grant Park, where Obama made his historic acceptance speech.

WHERE TO DINE

With a consistent dedication to using local, seasonal ingredients, Chicago's top restaurants guarantee a unique and delectable dining experience. Add the

impressive skyline views, an artistic flair and relentlessly innovative chefs and the difficulty is not in finding a world-class restaurant, but choosing between them.

From the hugely popular Charlie Trotter's to underground favorite Bonsoirée, Chicago's dining establishments are sure to find favor with elite travelers.



SPECTACULAR LOCATION

RIVA

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Address: 700 East Grand Avenue

Website: www.rivanavypier.com

Cuisine: Italian / Seafood

Style / Ambiance: A one-of-a-kind location along Chicago's famous Navy Pier, Riva offers diners an unmatchable waterfront view that encompasses the vast Chicago skyline. Riva prides itself on providing an outstanding range of seafood, prime steaks and daily specials in keeping with its love of Italian cuisine. Executive Chef Luigi Garcia constantly produces new and innovative interpretations of traditional dishes to ensure diners are equally inspired by both view and taste; a dining experience entirely unique to Chicago.

FINE DINING

ALLIUM

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Address: Four Seasons Hotel Chicago, 120 East Delaware Place

Website: www.alliumchicago.com

Cuisine: Traditional American

Style / Ambiance: The recipient of a Michelin star and the coveted Forbes Four-Star and AAA Five Diamond awards, the opulent Allium in Streeterville offers modern American cuisine in an elegant fine dining setting. Executive Chef Kevin Hickey blends food inspired by the great bounties of the Midwest with the fresh produce of Chicago's local markets to produce a truly inspired menu. With an exquisite array of fresh seafood, game and meats as well as a specialized vegetarian menu to choose from, Hickey has generated a five-course tasting menu to satisfy even the most discerning diner. For a truly memorable and intimate dining experience elite traveler recommends reserving a place at the Chef's Table, where a group of up to six can dine in the heart of the kitchen and watch as delectable courses are prepared before your eyes.

ALLIUM



WHERE TO DINE



BLACKBIRD INTERIOR

TOP CHOICE

BLACKBIRD

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Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / Ambiance: Set within a sophisticated minimalist space designed by celebrated architect Thomas Schlesser, Blackbird is home to a reinterpretation of classic American cuisine. Described as quietly revolutionary, Executive Chef Paul Kahan and his team use local, farm-fresh ingredients and cutting-edge culinary technology to create a menu which is both highly creative and utterly approachable. Delights such as Miso-glazed Quebecois veal, roasted Colorado lamb, and smoked arctic char explain why Blackbird earned its first Michelin star in 2011.

STYLISH

L20

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Address: 2300 North Lincoln Park West

Website: www.l20restaurant.com

Cuisine: Seafood / Sushi Bar

Style / Ambiance: This modern seafood restaurant offers some of the most exquisite fish and shellfish from around the world. Recently awarded three stars by the renowned Michelin Guide, L20 incorporates simplicity and an uncompromising mastery of seafood from executive chef Francis Brennan. Offering a four-course prix-fixe menu, multi-course tasting menus and a special selection of singular items, L20's food is complemented by its clean, simple surroundings. Floor-to-ceiling Macassar Ebony columns create a sense of intimacy within which one can appreciate the intricate taste experience that L20 prides itself on. The private Tatami Room extends the minimalism of the restaurant's main room, offering between two to eight guests a floor-level dining experience consisting of 12-14 Japanese-inspired tasting dishes.



L20 © KATHERINE BRYANT

TOP CHOICE

BONSOIRÉE

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Address: 2728 West Armitage Avenue

Website: www.bonsoireechicago.com

Cuisine: American, French, Japanese

Style / Ambiance: Artistic presentation is the cornerstone of the Bonsoirée ethos, with every aspect of the dining experience meticulously considered. From the shape, color and texture of the kitchenware, to the floral sculptures and décor, everything is stylized to accentuate the current menu. Started by the founding chefs as an underground movement of private dinners hosted out of their own apartments, Bonsoirée the restaurant emerged, offering among other delicacies: Scallop Motoyaki and Duck Duck Goose, two of Executive Chef and Owner Shin Thompson's personal favorites.



WHERE TO DINE

SPECTACULAR LOCATION

EVEREST

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Website: www.everestrestaurant.com

Cuisine: French

Style / Ambiance: The only Chicago member of the prestigious Relais & Châteaux, and located in an unforgettable setting on the 40th floor of the Chicago Stock Exchange, Everest is as unique as it is respected. Chef / Proprietor J. Joho serves world-renowned French cuisine amidst the glittering Chicago skyline, using the finest seasonal fare, local specialties and organic ingredients to astounding results. Guests can enjoy Joho's offerings in luxurious private dining rooms with attentive service and the option of personalized menus and décor. Acclaimed Swiss artist Ivo Soldini's bronze sculptures adorn each table, completing this cultured experience.



SPECTACULAR LOCATION

SIXTEEN

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Address: Trump International Hotel & Tower, 401 North Wabash Avenue

Website: www.trumpchicagohotel.com

Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / Ambiance: Located on the 16th Floor of Trump International Hotel & Tower, Sixteen was the brainchild of Ivanka Trump and Chicago-based architects Valerio Dewalt Train Associates. The space defines a unique environment that celebrates the modern American cuisine of award-winning Executive Chef Frank Brunacci. Surrounded by floor-to-ceiling windows with breathtaking views of Lake Michigan and downtown Chicago, guests are promised a magical culinary and visionary delight. The elegance of the multi-roomed space befits the unparalleled exterior; the Sainte Croix limestone floor and majestic four-tiered Swarovski crystal chandelier completing the perfect setting for both couples and families to enjoy the Michelin star cuisine on offer. Sixteen also provides two private dining rooms accommodating groups of up to 35 guests seeking a more intimate gathering.

TOP CHOICE

CHARLIE TROTTER'S

VIP Contact: Adriana Jurado

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Email: adriana@charlietrotters.com

Address: 816 West Armitage Avenue

Website: www.charlietrotters.com

Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / Ambiance: With an entirely self-taught chef of the same name at the helm, Charlie Trotter's is regarded as one of the finest restaurants in the world. The recipient of countless awards including two Michelin stars and a member of Traditions et Qualité, Charlie Trotter's is a must for any visitor to Chicago. Producing three daily tasting menus: the Grand Menu, the Vegetable Menu and the Kitchen Menu, Chef Trotter works upon the principle that each course lays the foundation for the next; a progression of petite courses culminating in one remarkably unified taste phenomenon.



WHERE TO DINE

SEPIA



STYLISH

SEPIA

Owner: Emmanuel Nony

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Address: 123 North Jefferson Street

Website: www.sepiachicago.com

Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / Ambiance: Housed in a former 1890s print shop and echoing bygone eras, Michelin Star rated Sepia serves as an ideal backdrop to Executive Chef Andrew Zimmerman's inventive American cuisine. The seasonally driven menu showcases the quality and purity of its products sourced from local farmers and producers. These ingredients come to life in dishes that are indicative of thought and precision honed from years of Chef Zimmerman's classic French training. Recent delights include English pea and mascarpone agnolotti with pickled shallot, radish, and mint; and Madeira braised pork shank with raw and pickled asparagus crunch. The restaurant's semi-private Table 70 offers guests a more intimate dining experience.

FINE DINING

TRU

General Manager: Serge Krieger

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Address: 686 North St Clair Street

Website: www.trurestaurant.com

Cuisine: Progressive French

Style / Ambiance: This fine dining stunner plays home to Executive Chef / Partner Anthony Martin's progressive French cuisine, combining an elegant ambiance of white draperies, blue banquets and intimate lighting with a menu showcasing a thoughtful selection of pristine ingredients. Chef Martin's bold creativity is reflected in the innovative seasonal menus on offer, including a three-course Prix Fixe, six-course Grand Collection and a nine-course Chef's Collection. Tru complements its delectable menu with a contemporary art collection that would not be out of place in any respectable museum; works include those by Gerhard Richter, Peter Halley and Andy Warhol.



TRU DINING ROOM



ALINEA DINING ROOM

TOP CHOICE

ALINEA

General Manager and Wine Director: Joseph Catterson

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Email: alineaoffice@gmail.com

Address: 1723 North Halsted

Website: www.alinea-restaurant.com

Cuisine: Contemporary American

Style / Ambiance: The highest ranking North American restaurant in the San Pellegrino World's 50 Best Restaurant Awards, Alinea's reputation speaks for itself. Spearheaded by Chef / Owner Grant Achatz, whose hypermodern, emotional approach to dining is respected the world over, Alinea will not disappoint. Its team of creative staff and innovative collaborators produce a forward-thinking, deconstructed cuisine worthy of its three-star Michelin status. A tasting menu of 16 to 18 courses includes such delights as black truffles, urchins, hamachi and venison.

WHERE TO BE PAMPERED

Discover a world of relaxation, rejuvenation and beauty at these fabulous spas



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RUBY ROOM

VIP contact: Fabienne Lindholm, General Manager

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Address: 1743-45 W. Division Street, Chicago, IL 60622

Website: www.rubyroom.com

Located in the heart of Chicago's trendy Wicker Park, Ruby Room is housed in a 13,000-square-foot brownstone and offers a luxurious escape with an inviting hint of relaxed Midwestern appeal. The award-winning spa, salon, inn and spiritual shoppe are focused on helping clients feel and look beautiful from the inside out. Whether you come for a rejuvenating service or simply to explore the wide collection of products and gifts, there is truly something for everyone at Ruby Room. Looking for spa services? Try the signature Enerssage or Arcona Facial or to refuel your energy and spirit try the 90-minute Intuitive Blend which includes a photo of your aura, 30-minute intuitive reading and 60-minute energy healing to bring life back into focus and release stress or chronic pain. No matter what you choose... you will be sure to leave feeling shiny and bright!

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WHERE TO BE PAMPERED



ESPA AT THE PENINSULA

Spa Director: Chrysse Preonas

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Email: chrysepreonas@peninsula.com

Address: 108 East Superior Street, Chicago 60611

Website: www.peninsula.com

Treatment & facilities: The Peninsula Chicago's spa by ESPA is designed to revitalize the elite traveler's mind, body and spirit. Serene treatment rooms and suites offering luxurious body treatments and skincare are housed in a retreat of aesthetic bliss. The relaxation lounge with fireplace, warming eucalyptus steam room and Jacuzzi await guests, and if that isn't enough the 82 foot heated indoor pool, sundeck overlooking the city and delicious spa cuisine guarantee to provide results.

Signature treatment: A two-hour Jade Hot Stone Massage tried and tested in The Peninsula Beijing harnesses the beneficial properties of jade, often referred to as the 'stone of heaven'. Combining this with the powerful effects of aromatherapy essential oils, this treatment ensures a truly heavenly experience.

THE SPA AT FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

Spa Director: Patricia Norcross

Phone: +1 312 649 2340

Address: 120 East Delaware Place, Chicago 60611

Website: www.fourseasons.com

Treatment & facilities: Serene and intimate, The Spa at Four Seasons Hotel Chicago provides a personal escape to relax and rejuvenate. Experience the spa's traditional and innovative treatments such as a Harmony massage for couples, an Ayurvedic scalp massage or a Perles de Caviar facial to refresh and reinvigorate. Combining natural ingredients with the nurturing care of expert therapists the Spa welcomes you on a journey of beauty and wellbeing. Visitors can also enjoy the 50 foot indoor swimming pool, saunas, steams rooms and exercise facilities in the Four Seasons Fitness Club.

Signature treatment: Experience the Four Seasons in One body treatment that uses seasonally inspired Mediterranean organic whole plants, herbs and fruits, to revitalise the skin and awaken the senses. Each season flows with a calming massage technique to relax the mind.



WHERE TO BE PAMPERED

THE SPA AT TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER



THE SPA AT TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER



THE SPA AT TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER

Spa Director: Cherie Lininger

Phone: +1 312 588 8020

Address: 401 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago 60611

Website: www.trumpchicagohotel.com

Treatment & facilities: Located on the 14th floor, The Spa at Trump Chicago is a tranquil haven offering 11 treatment rooms where guests can experience an array of massages, facials, and relaxation programs. Enjoy the Swiss and Vichy showers, hydrotherapy services, manicure and pedicure suite. The Spa at Trump also offers 53 specially designed rooms that serve as an extension of the spa and offer guests maximum serenity within which they can balance, purify, revitalise and heal in complete privacy and comfort.

Signature treatment: The Spa's signature treatments include its Gemstone Massages, which offer serenity and healing through precious gem-infused oils, rare flowers and herbal essences. In addition, the spa also has an exclusive partnership with celebrity aesthetician Kate Somerville, who has designed a selection of facial treatments exclusively for Spa guests.

DANA SPA

Spa Director: Emily McConnell

Phone: +1 312 202 6040

Address: 660 North State Street, Chicago 60654

Website: www.danahotelandspa.com

Treatment & facilities: Located on the entire fourth floor of the Dana Hotel, Dana Spa provides an array of therapeutic skin treatments, body treatments, waxing and massages. With five treatments rooms, including a dedicated couples treatment room, the Dana Spa is a soothing environment with an adjoining state-of-the-art fitness center. The Spa also includes a luxury nail suite, relaxation lounge and steam rooms for the ultimate soothing and revitalising experience.

Signature treatment: Dana's four-hand massage is a revolution in massage therapy: two massage therapists use light to moderate pressure with kneading and long, flowing movements to soothe tired muscles, increase circulation and release tension.



DANA SPA

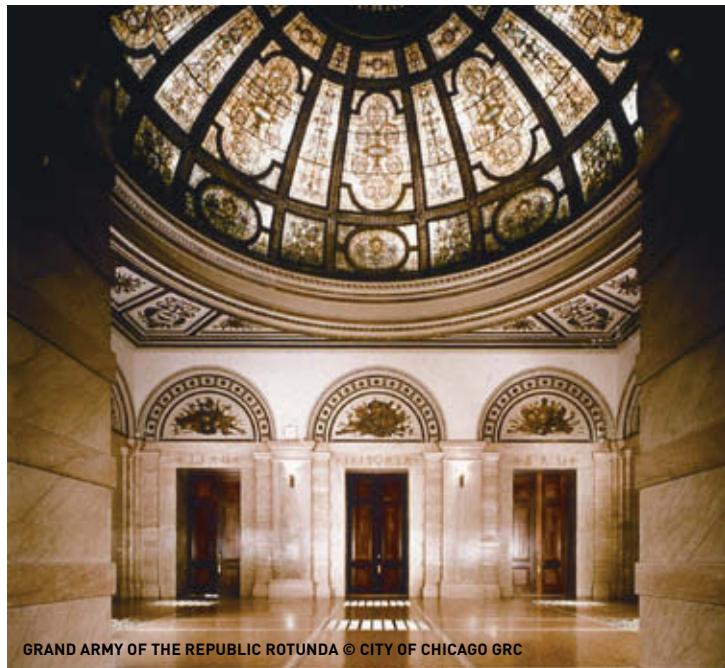


WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE DAY

Chicago is synonymous with grand architectural design, and a stay here would not be complete without experiencing the city's innovative grandeur in some way. Whether it's

relaxing in Millennium Park admiring Cloud Gate, or taking in the city's skyline from thousands of feet in the air, you won't be short of options. With your architectural appetite satisfied,

indulge your culinary desires with a Food Flight around some of the Windy City's best-loved restaurants. Chicago is the perfect destination for any elite traveler.



GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC ROTUNDA © CITY OF CHICAGO GRC



TIFFANY DOME © CITY OF CHICAGO GRC

CULTURAL

CHICAGO CULTURAL CENTER

For Private Tours: +1 312 744 6630

Address: 78 East Washington Street, Chicago 60602

Website: www.explorechicago.org

Inspired by the neo-classical style of the World's Columbian Exposition held in Chicago in 1893, the Chicago Cultural Center was completed in 1897 at a cost of nearly \$2 million. The Center's most notable features are its stained glass domes, the most magnificent of which is also the world's largest. Made by Tiffany this design masterpiece is currently valued at around \$35 million. The Center regularly hosts free music, dance and theater events, in addition to movies, art exhibitions and lectures.

FAMILY

MUSEUM CAMPUS

Adler Planetarium

Phone: +1 312 922 7827

Address: 1300 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago 60605

Website: www.adlerplanetarium.org

Shedd Aquarium

Phone: +1 312 939 2438

Address: 1200 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago 60605

Website: www.sheddaquarium.org

Field Museum

Phone: +1 312 922 9410

Address: 1400 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago 60605

Website: www.fieldmuseum.org

Consisting of the Field Museum, Adler Planetarium, and Shedd Aquarium, Museum Campus combines three world-class museums in one location. Surrounded by 57 acres of lakefront land, the Campus is one of the City's most impressive cultural attractions. Forming part of Chicago's famous Grant Park, the museums and grounds have undergone extensive changes to make it one of the most celebrated sites of natural history in America. While the Field Museum houses 'Sue', the largest and most complete Tyrannosaurus skeleton in the world; the Adler Planetarium plays home to some of the most exciting and immersive space and science theater programs, from the Big Bang to the Night Sky Live. Museum Campus' icing on the cake is the Shedd Aquarium, whose Extraordinary Experiences program offers visitors the chance to 'Meet the Belugas', be a trainer for the day, and discover what goes on behind the scenes at a top aquarium.

CULTURAL

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT CENTER

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Address: 951 Chicago Avenue, Oak Park, Chicago 60302

Email: tours@gowright.org

Website: www.gowright.org

For the first 20 years of his career, the Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio served as Lloyd Wright's private residence and workplace. Built in 1889 by the then 22 year old Wright, he and his first wife Catherine Tobin raised their six children in the house. Now perceived as one of the greatest architects of the 20th century, Wright's residence has become a magnet for architectural enthusiasts. In the studio, Frank Lloyd Wright and his associates developed a new American architecture – the Prairie Style – and designed some 125 structures, including Robie House, a building renowned as a forerunner of architectural modernism. Following a careful restoration, the building appears as it did in 1909, the last year that Wright lived and worked in the home and studio. Access to the restored home and studio is by guided tour only; private tours can be arranged outside of published hours of operation on request. Robie House also offers a private Twilight Tour and Reception package.

WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE DAY

FAMILY

ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

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Website: www.artic.edu

Built in 1879 upon the rubble of the devastating fire of 1871, The Art Institute of Chicago operates as both a museum and a school. A private tour, led by a university lecturer, is the best way to see America's greatest collection of Impressionist paintings; including extraordinary masterpieces by Monet, Renoir, Seurat and Van Gogh. The museum is also the new home to one of the world's greatest collections of modern art featuring work from the likes of Matisse, Picasso, Chagall, and Pollock.

ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO



CULTURAL

DRIEHAUS MUSEUM

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Address: 50 East Erie Street, Chicago

Email: info@driehausmuseum.org

Website: www.driehausmuseum.org

The Driehaus Museum was originally the home of banker Samuel Nickerson, who commissioned its construction in 1879. Thanks to its superlative design and craftsmanship, the luxurious house became known as the Marble Palace, but it wasn't until 1 April 2003 that Chicago philanthropist Richard H. Driehaus established the house as a museum. With a vision to influence current design through preservation and promotion of 19th century architecture and style, Driehaus Museum houses a magnificent collection of Fine and Decorative Arts including a Tiffany & Co. silver punch bowl made for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, and an original chandelier from the billiard room of California Governor Milton Latham's Thurlow Lodge. A private evening tour and reception can be organized for elite travelers.



MUST DO

CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE FOUNDATION TOURS

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Email: info@architecture.org

Address: 224 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago 60604

Website: www.caf.architecture.org/

The Chicago Architecture Foundation was created in 1966 after a group of community members came together to save H. H. Richardson's architectural masterpiece, the Glessner House, from demolition. The non-profit organization now runs nearly 90 different tours by boat, bus or on foot. Private tours can be organized on request, covering everything from modern skyscrapers, to historic downtown, to neighborhood tours. The foundation also organizes Appetite for Design programs, whereby visitors can experience the culinary and architectural delights of some of Chicago's top restaurants.

YACHT TOURS

CHICAGO'S FIRST LADY

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Email: chartersales@cruisechicago.com

Website: www.cruisechicago.com

With a varied fleet, Chicago's First Lady offers an array of tours for intimate groups of between two to six and for groups up to 225 people. The elite traveler will certainly enjoy Lady Grebe – designed in the style and luxury of the Golden Era of yachting. Built in Chicago in 1961, Lady Grebe is a 48-foot, vintage mahogany wood yacht perfectly preserved to enjoy an afternoon cruise on Lake Michigan. With the added option of catering, beverage services, and architectural guides, Lady Grebe is the perfect way to see Chicago from the water, and is also available for private hire.

WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE DAY

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

FLIGHT CHICAGO FOOD TOUR

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Website: www.flightdeckchicago.com

Flight Chicago offers three-hour guided food tours behind the scenes at some of Chicago's tastiest establishments. Guests will have a unique opportunity to see the passions and personalities behind the food, enjoy custom tastings and pairings, and speak to some of Chicago's hottest and most talked-about chefs. With an extensive variety of cuisines to experience and a vast array of restaurants to choose from, including The Bristol, Carnivale and Feast, customized tours for couples and families are available on request.

MUST DO

MILLENNIUM PARK

Phone: +1 312 742 1168

Address: 201 East Randolph Street, Chicago 60601

Website: www.explorechicago.org

Situated between Michigan Avenue and Columbus Avenue, the 25-acre Millennium Park is a popular destination for both locals and tourists. The collection of architecture, landscape design and art sets the scene for hundreds of free concerts, exhibitions and tours put on each year. Anish Kapoor's famous 'Cloud Gate' is a nod to the modern innovations keeping Chicago firmly at the forefront of architectural design.

ANISH KAPOOR'S CLOUD GATE



SPORTS

COG HILL GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Phone: +1 866 264 4455

Address: 12294 Archer Avenue, Lemont, IL 60439

Website: www.coghillgolf.com

Opened in 1927 and privately owned by the Jemsek family, Cog Hill is located just 30 miles southwest of Chicago. Offering players of every level an opportunity to enjoy the game, the public golf facility comprises four championship courses including Dubsdread, which is currently ranked among the Top 100 golf courses by Golf Digest and Golf Magazine. It is also the site of the PGA Tour's BMW Championship, which will be held between September 12-18, 2011. For advanced tickets contact the Western Golf Association at +1 847 724 4600 or visit www.bmwchampionshipusa.com

MUST DO

CHICAGO AERIAL TOURS

Phone: +1 773 312 8687

Website: www.chicagoaeraltours.com

The Chicago skyline encompasses some of the most impressive architecture in America, with sights including the John Hancock Tower, Soldier Field, Wallis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower) and Millennium Park, there is no better way to appreciate the breathtaking Chicago cityscape than from the air. With the choice of daytime and nighttime airplane or helicopter tours, traveling at a height of 2000 feet, elite travelers are guaranteed magnificent unparalleled views of the Windy City.

AERIAL VIEW OF THE CHICAGO SKYLINE



WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE NIGHT

CUVÉE ULTRA-LOUNGE

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Address: 308 West Erie Street
Website: www.cuveechicago.com



Cuvée Ultra-Lounge – An Intimate Setting for the Elite

This ultra-lounge, located at 308 West Erie Street, boasts a truly extraordinary champagne list as well as champagne cocktails fit for a mature and sophisticated palate. Cuvée is a term that refers to the very best selection used for the premiere champagnes of the world. As the name suggests, every element of this ultra-lounge was considered and meticulous selections were made to create an intimate space for Chicago's elite.

Cuvée is the premiere locale for events – 5,500 square feet, two expansive bars, lounge seating, state-of-the-art sound and lighting systems as well as a custom-designed champagne cooler to house our extensive collection of the finest champagnes.

The modest exterior of the venue creates a unique impression on our guests as they enter an illuminated hallway leading into an environment unlike any in the city.



Custom made furnishings, sconces, wall coverings, illuminating channels, marble light sources, mirror disc ceiling elements, white oak hardwood floors, warm earth tones and exposed brick coupled with comfortable seating create a warm and relaxed ambiance.

For table service or reservations, please contact **General Manager Jake Cremer**. For private party inquiries, please contact **Event Planner Amber Goetz**.

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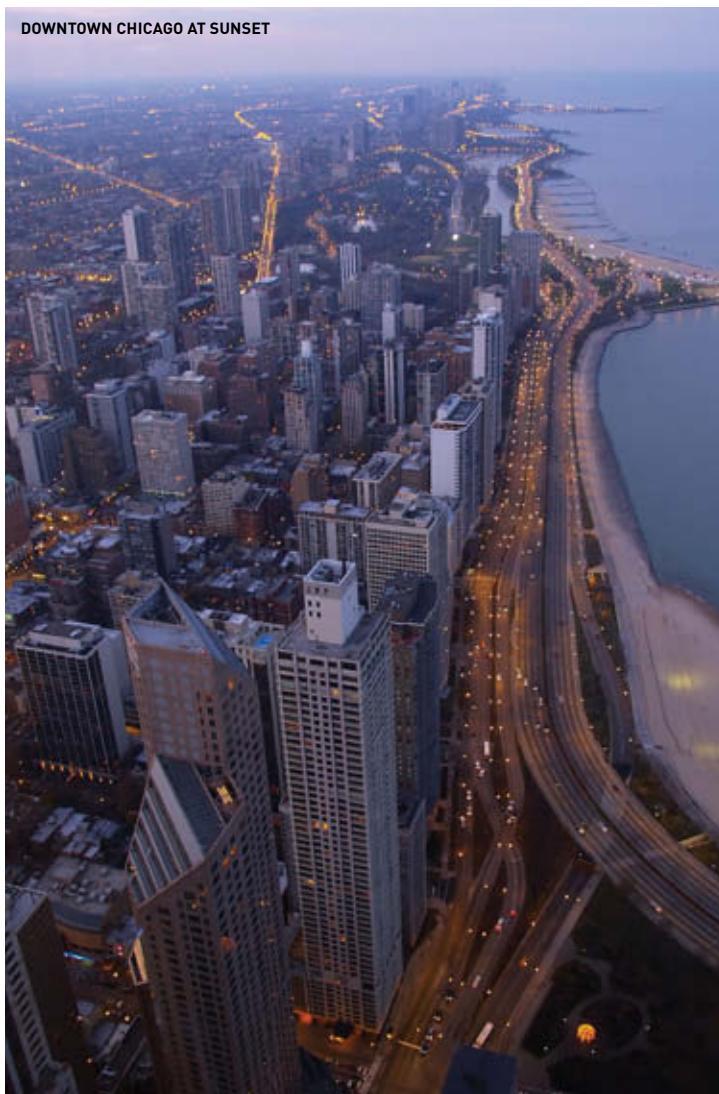
WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE NIGHT

With an after-dark culture as vast as its skyline, Chicago is the perfect playground for any elite traveler. Renowned for its eclectic jazz scene, the city boasts numerous music bars with a

reputation as impressive as their sound. If jazz isn't your thing, then head to the high-rise bars, where you can party the night away with staggering views of Chicago's architecture as a backdrop.

For that extra something special, spend the evening gazing through a telescope at the Adler Planetarium and experience a superlative view beyond the city's skyscrapers.

DOWNTOWN CHICAGO AT SUNSET



SOMETHING DIFFERENT

AVIATION VACATIONS CHICAGO BY NIGHT TOUR

Phone: +1 800 757 6603

Website: www.aviationvacations.us

Whilst the Chicago skyline is one of a kind during the day, it becomes even more magnificent at night. Illuminated by the city's bright lights, architectural wonders such as Navy Pier, Wallis Tower, Soldier Field, and the famous Cloud Gate are all seen from a lofty new perspective. After a spectacular tour, Aviation Vacations completes the evening with a multi-course dinner at Francesca's on Taylor in Little Italy, the perfect end to a truly unique evening.

BAR

THE VIOLET HOUR

Phone: +1 773 252 1500

Address: 1520 North Damen Avenue, Chicago 60622

Website: www.theviolethour.com

Recognized by GQ magazine, among many others, as one of the best cocktail bars in America, The Violet Hour is a must. Drawing inspiration from early 19th century English clubs and French salons, the intimate partitioned seating areas offer the perfect setting to enjoy drinks and conversation. It's the little details that make this bar so unique; including its custom ice program, offering big ice spheres for Bourbon on the rocks and ice spikes for tall drinks. With numbers limited to the amount of available seats and no guest list, calling ahead to arrange VIP reservations is essential and only granted on a case-by-case basis.

THE VIOLET HOUR MAIN BAR



WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE NIGHT



PRIVÉ VIP AREA

CLUB**PRIVÉ**

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Address: 937 North Rush Street, Chicago 60611

Website: www.privetchicago.com

This upscale nightclub draws inspiration from Old World royal treatment and European traditions. With entry afforded only to the ultra elite, a guest list isn't even good enough for this exclusive club. Those lucky enough to get past the velvet rope will be treated to concierge-style service where every need is met; from hotel accommodation to dinner reservations. Each table is attended by a three-person team that ensures your glass is always full, the best drinks are on hand and your every whim is catered for.

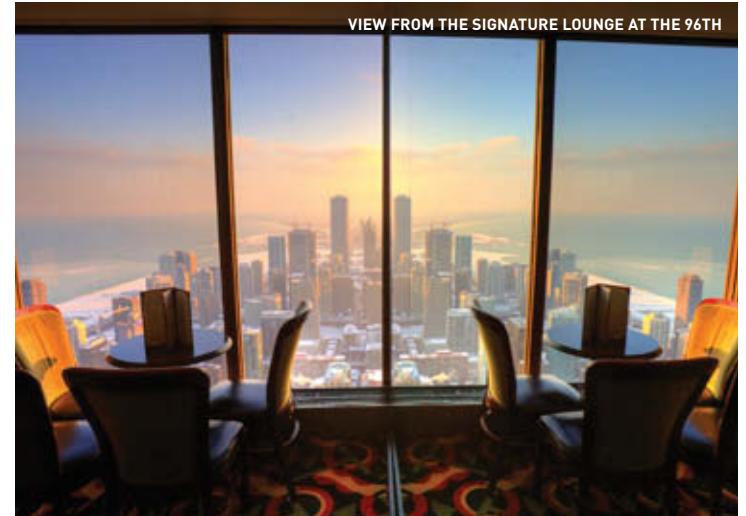
SOMETHING DIFFERENT**ADLER AFTER DARK**

Phone: +1 312 922 7827

Address: 1300 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago 60605

Website: www.adlerplanetarium.org

Every third Thursday of the month Adler Planetarium hosts Adler After Dark; an evening of cocktails, appetizers and star gazing. The event is the only time you can peek through the Doane Observatory telescope, the largest publicly accessible telescope in the Midwest. See Saturn's rings or Jupiter's great red spot with your own eyes. The evening also gives you the chance to view the Adler's exhibitions and take in one of their famous sky or space shows. Tours of Doane Observatory can be reserved when you purchase advanced tickets for this truly unique event.



VIEW FROM THE SIGNATURE LOUNGE AT THE 96TH

BAR**THE SIGNATURE LOUNGE AT THE 96TH**

Phone: +1 312 787 9596

Email: moreinfo@signatureroom.com

Address: 875 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 60611

Website: www.signatureroom.com

Located on the 96th floor of the John Hancock Center there is no doubt that the lounge's main attraction is not just the outstanding drinks menu, but the breathtaking views across Chicago. Gazing out on dazzling 360° views of the entire city skyline, while sipping on a selection of specialty cocktails and wines, is guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience. From a classic long island ice tea to the Chicago inspired Magnificent Mile Manhattan; the Signature Lounge has it covered. Make an evening of it by dining in the adjoining restaurant on the 95th floor where diners can choose from the finest seafood and steaks in Chicago.

BAR**VERTIGO SKY LOUNGE**

Phone: +1 312 202 6060

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Address: 2 West Erie Street, Chicago 60654

Website: www.vertigoskylounge.com

Featuring wraparound floor-to-ceiling windows with gorgeous views, the Vertigo Sky Lounge literally gives you a taste of Chicago's high life. Occupying the 26th floor of the Dana Hotel and Spa, the lounge offers an expansive outdoor patio with open fire pit, allowing you to kick back and relax while enjoying the incredible Chicago skyline. VIP patrons can reserve champagne and spirit tables granting them access past the lines, a reserved table and a designated server.

WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE NIGHT

THEATER

AUDITORIUM THEATRE OF ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY

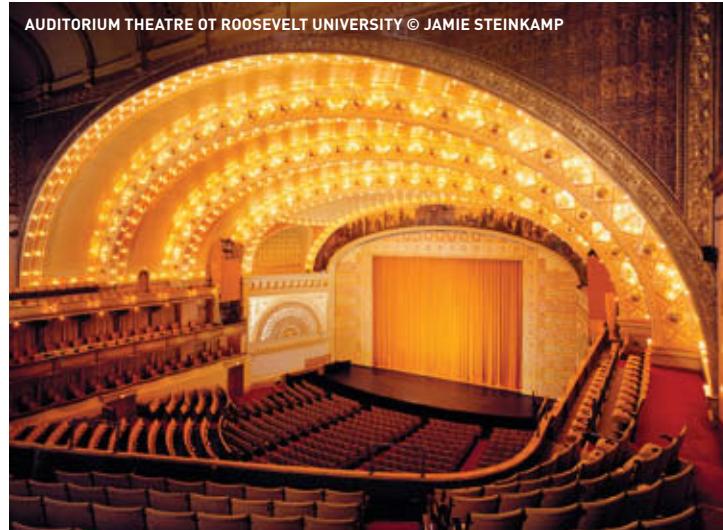
Phone: +1 312 922 2110

Email: info@auditoriumtheatre.org

Address: 50 East Congress Parkway, Chicago 60605

Website: www.auditoriumtheatre.org

For more than 120 years, the Auditorium Theater has been committed to offering the finest in international, cultural and community programming. From the operatic glory of its inception, to the rock and roll concerts of the 1960s and 70s, from some of the world's most legendary musicals to the greatest ballets, the Auditorium Theatre continues to deliver outstanding performances. Check the website for upcoming shows taking place throughout the year, or alternatively visit www.ticketmaster.com/auditorium.



MUSIC

JAZZ SHOWCASE

Phone: +1 312 360 0234

Address: Dearborn Station, 806 South Plymouth Ct.

Website: www.jazzshowcase.com

Founded by Joe Segal, a man described as the 'Godfather of Chicago Jazz', this much-loved club has inhabited multiple locations in the city. First opened in 1947 in Chicago's Gold Coast, the Showcase has maintained its legendary reputation despite migrating between Lincoln Park, South Loop and River North. Now calling Dearborn Station home, the Jazz Showcase is a relaxed and intimate venue where legends such as Duke Ellington, Dizzie Gillespie, Charlie 'Bird' Parker and Herbie Hancock have graced the stage; this place is all about the music, and you're guaranteed a great night out. Shows run daily at 8pm and 10pm, with a 4pm matinee on Sundays.

MUSIC

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Phone: +1 312 294 3000

VIP Line: +1 312 294 3020.

Address: 220 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago 60604

Website: www.cso.org

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra is hailed as one of today's leading orchestras and seen as a musical force in Chicago and around the world. Led by music director Riccardo Muti, the CSO performs over 150 concerts each year at the historic Symphony Center. With performances ranging from jazz to classical to world music, the CSO will host the United Sounds of America festival in June 2011 highlighting an extensive selection of American musical genres. Box seats are available at the CSO by calling the VIP line.



THEATER

THE CHICAGO THEATRE

Phone: +1 212 465 6225

Address: 175 North State Street

Website: www.thechicagothéatre.com

Opened in 1921 and built in the French Baroque style, The Chicago Theatre was the first movie palace in America. Constructed for \$4 million by owners Barney and Abe Balaban, and Sam and Morris Katz, some of the world's greatest stars and productions have graced its stage. From Frank Sinatra and Aretha Franklin, to comedians like Robin Williams and David Letterman; the Chicago Theatre has established itself as one of the city's best-loved performance venues. The incredible six-storey, vertical Chicago sign is a landmark and beacon on State Street, and sets the standard for the grandeur of the theater's magnificent interior.

WHAT TO DO ➤ FEATURED EVENTS

Chicago hosts some of the biggest and most impressive events in America; from the legendary music festivals gracing the city's parks, to aerobatics and speedboat

racing on Lake Michigan. The city celebrates the spring and summer months with a mix of some of the most exciting events, including the Chicago Cubs Baseball season

that runs from April through the end of September. The elite traveler can top off a stay in this vibrant city by watching a game from a club box at the iconic Wrigley Field.

CHICAGO AIR AND WATER SHOW



CHICAGO AIR AND WATER SHOW

ANNUALLY IN AUGUST

Address: Lake Front, North Avenue Beach

Website: www.explorechicago.org

With daredevil thrills in the air and on the water, this show draws around 2 million people to Chicago's magnificent Lake Michigan every year. The show features expert civilian and military pilots in some of the top aircrafts around, with the likes of the U.S. Navy Blue Angels and the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds headlining.

CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL

ANNUALLY IN JUNE

Address: Grant Park

Website: www.chicagobluesfestival.us

The Chicago Blues Festival remains the largest of the city's music festivals; taking place over three days across five stages, more than 500,000 blues fans descend on Chicago to celebrate the Blues legends of the past, present and future. Since its beginning in 1984, to celebrate Muddy Waters, the festival has been graced with performers including Bonnie Raitt, Ray Charles and B.B. King. Whether it's Chuck Berry sharing the stage with Keith Richards or John Lee Hooker singing 'Boogie Chillin', if you're in Chicago in mid June the Blues Festival is not to be missed.

THE TASTE OF CHICAGO

ANNUALLY IN JUNE

Address: Grant Park, 337 East Randolph Drive, Chicago 60601

Website: www.explorechicago.org

The Taste of Chicago is a fantastic way for tourists and locals alike to sample a variety of foods from nearly 60 of the city's restaurants. Each vendor serves six items, two of which are special 'taste of' portions, meaning you can spend the day sampling the cuisine of a variety of eateries, while enjoying the music and activities on offer.

CHICAGO JAZZ FESTIVAL

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER, ANNUALLY

Address: Millennium Park and Grant Park

Website: www.jazzinchicago.org

This popular event was originally established as three separate festivals—one in memory of composer Duke Ellington, another held for the late John Coltrane, and the third planned by the Jazz Institute of Chicago. Taking place annually in the lead up to Labor Day Weekend, the festival has attracted such jazz greats as Joe Lavano, David Liebman, Ravi Coltrane, Cassandra Wilson and Roy Hargrove.

CHICAGO JAZZ FESTIVAL © CITY OF CHICAGO GRC



WHAT TO DO ➤ FEATURED EVENTS

SOLDIER FIELD



EXECUTIVE SUITE, SOLDIER FIELD

**CHICAGO BEARS FOOTBALL, SOLDIER FIELD****SEPTEMBER – JANUARY, ANNUALLY**

Premium Hospitality Team

Phone: +1 888 792 3277 ext.2

Address: Soldier Field, 1410 Museum Campus Drive, Chicago

Email: premiumhospitality@bears.nfl.net

Website: www.chicagobears.com

A visit to America wouldn't be complete without taking in a sports game, and Chicago isn't short of options, with football, baseball and basketball teams to choose from. Based at Soldier Field, a Chicago Bears football game is best enjoyed from one of the stadium's exclusive Executive Suites. With room for 20 guests and providing additional access to the United Club lounge, the suites offer guests an unprecedented game day experience.

OLD TOWN ART FAIR**ANNUALLY IN JUNE**

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Email: info@oldtowntriangle.com

Address: 1763 North North Park Ave, Chicago 60614

Website: www.oldtowntriangle.com

Celebrating its 63rd anniversary this year, the Old Town Art Fair showcases works by 260 nationally acclaimed artists for an estimated 50,000 visitors each year. Along with a music stage, children's corner and a food court, the fair also includes the popular 'Gallery of Gardens', a wonderful walk through more than 50 urban home gardens. Set in Chicago's historic Old Town Triangle, the fair displays a wide range of art mediums, including 2D and 3D mixed media, paintings, photography, printmaking and ceramics. On the evening of Friday 8th, a cocktail party and silent auction is hosted in advance of the fair. Tickets should be purchased in advance on the Old Town Triangle website.

CHICAGO CUBS BASEBALL**APRIL – OCTOBER, ANNUALLY**

Phone: +1 773 404 4141

Address: Wrigley Field, 1060 West Addison Street, Chicago 60613

Website: www.jazzinchicago.org

Watching a Chicago Cubs baseball game is as much about the venue as it is the play. Being the second oldest major league ballpark in America, Wrigley Field is famous for its ivy covered outfield wall, the iconic red marquee over the main entrance, and the hand-turned scoreboard. The best views on game day are from Wrigley Field's exclusive Mezzanine Suites or from Batter's Eye located in centerfield. All suites come with a variety of catering options and a whole host of other exclusive amenities, so you can enjoy the game in style. A visit to the home of the Chicago Cubs can be made extra special by enjoying the Wrigley Field Experience, during which one lucky group can take a VIP tour of the stadium, enjoy exclusive access to private areas and spend time playing softball on the famous field. Cubs games run intermittently from the start of April to the end of September.

WRIGLEY FIELD MARQUEE © CITY OF CHICAGO GRC



WHAT TO DO ➤ SHOPPING

With a dedication to eclectic, unique and quality fashion, Chicago's sartorial offerings provide the elite traveler with an array of shops, department stores,

boutiques and malls impressive enough to rival some of the most well known fashion cities in the world. Whether you are pacing the sidewalks of Michigan Avenue, sifting

through some truly unique vintage clothing in one of the city's many boutiques, or wandering among the floors of Chicago's fantastic malls, the Windy City has it all.

BEST SHOPPING AREAS/DISTRICTS

Shopping in Chicago means a trip to the city's heart, North Michigan Avenue or, as it is more affectionately known the 'Magnificent Mile'. Some of the biggest department stores in the world call this street home; the likes of Neiman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue,

Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's sit beside hundreds of specialty shops, boutiques and high-rise malls. If you make it down to the Oak Street end of North Michigan Avenue you'll find the designer label stores and boutiques such as Hermès, Mulberry and Prada.

It is also well worth taking a trip to State Street, Chicago's original go-to shopping district. By World War I, seven of the largest department stores in the world were situated here; it is worth a visit for the architecture alone.

MALLS

900 NORTH MICHIGAN SHOPS

Phone: +1 312 915 3916

Address: 900 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago 60611

Website: www.shop900.com

The shops at 900 North Michigan are based within a skyscraper of the same name. Situated between Michigan Avenue and Oak Street, the six-storey atrium offers an elite shopping experience; with Bloomingdales as headliner, the architecturally stunning building is home to such stores as Gucci, Michael Cors, Coach and Karen Millen. Once you have covered the 450,000 square feet of designer shops, dine in style at the award-winning Seasons Restaurant in the attached Four Seasons Hotel, or head to exclusive eateries like Oak Tree, Baisi Thai or Forty Carrots at Bloomingdales.



900 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE

WATER TOWER PLACE MALL

Phone: +1 312 951 0610

Address: 835 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago 60611

Website: www.shopwatertower.com

Featuring the largest number of stores exclusive to Chicago, Water Tower Place changed the face of Windy City shopping when it opened in 1975. Shifting attention from State Street to North Michigan Avenue, Water Tower Place Mall is a unique high-energy urban shopping experience. The stunning eight-level atrium features Macy's as its headline store, with more than a hundred other shops for your perusal.



WHAT TO DO ➤ SHOPPING



MALLS

NORTH BRIDGE

Phone: +1 312 222 1622

Address: 520 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago 60611

Website: www.theshopsatnorthbridge.com

The shops at North Bridge welcome shoppers with an architecturally unique exterior: the façade of the 1928 former McGraw-Hill building. When it was demolished the stonework was dismantled, cleaned and repositioned at the site of the North Bridge Mall. Featuring anchor stores such as Nordstrom, Louis Vuitton and Hugo Boss, North Bridge promises a fabulous shopping experience.

BOUTIQUES

IKRAM

Phone: +1 312 587 1000

Email: info@ikramonline.com

Address: 873 North Rush Street, Chicago 60611

Website: www.ikram.com

Named after its owner Ikram Goldman, this Rush Street boutique is a treasure trove of the best in women's fashion. Presenting an eclectic mix of European, Japanese and American designers, Ikram offers unique sophisticated clothing to an elite crowd. The boutique also stocks vintage clothing and accessories, all hand-picked by Ikram herself.

BLAKE

Phone: +1 312 202 0047

Address: 212 West Chicago Avenue,
Chicago 60654

A boutique for the serious fashionista, Blake stocks the likes of Balenciaga, Chloé, Dries van Noten and Givenchy. Previously located on Lincoln Avenue, the store wasn't well sign posted, and entry was via a buzzer. Now situated on Chicago Avenue, Blake still stocks some of the most exclusive and hard to find designer clothes, but in a far more welcoming environment.



STORES

BARNEYS NEW YORK

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E-mail: info-chicago@barneys.com

Address: 25 East Oak Street

Website: www.barneys.com

Situated in the illustrious Oak Street district, Barney's is an elite shopper's paradise; selling clothes from over 50 incredible designers, this is a must visit.

INTERMIX

Phone: +1 312 640 2922

Address: Rush Street, 40 East Delaware Place,
Chicago 60611

Website: www.intermixonline.com

Just off North Michigan Avenue, Intermix is a fashion store for the trendsetters and A-listers boasting an eclectic range of designers.

MACY'S STATE STREET

Phone: +1 312 781 1000

Address: 111 North State Street, Chicago 60602

Website: www.visitmacyschicago.com

One of the biggest department stores in the world and recognized as a National Historic Landmark. Flex your plastic around eight floors of amazing fashion, from DKNY to Ralph Lauren to Michael Kors.

WHAT TO DO ➤ SHOPPING

NEIMAN MARCUS

Phone: +1 312 642 5900
 Address: 737 North Michigan Avenue,
 Chicago 60611
 Website: www.neimanmarcus.com
 A friendly luxury retail department store located on the Magnificent Mile, Neiman Marcus stocks a treasure trove of designer labels, including Alberta Ferretti, Chloé, Hermès, Mulberry and Versace. You won't leave empty handed.

SAKS FIFTH AVENUE

Phone: +1 312 944 6500
 Address: 700 & 717 North Michigan Avenue,
 Chicago 60611
 Website: www.saksfifthavenue.com
 With 'his' and 'hers' Saks stores located on opposite sides of North Michigan Avenue, the two specialty stores cater for both men and women. Offering shoppers a hoard of designer labels, Saks Fifth Avenue Chicago lives up to its prestigious reputation.

BRANDS

BURBERRY

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 Website: www.cartier.com

GENEVA SEAL

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TIFFANY & CO.

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 Chicago 60611
 Website: www.tiffany.com

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Handling airplane charters, management, sales and acquisitions, Integrated Flight Resources Inc has been serving the Chicago area for over a decade. Situated at Chicago's Dupage Airport, facilities include a passenger lounge, offices and a pilot briefing room. Integrated Flight Resources Inc also offers a concierge service to assist you with every aspect of your trip, from transport requests to scheduling dinner and entertainment reservations.

NEED TO KNOW ➤ USEFUL INFORMATION

WHEN BEST TO GO

We recommend visiting Chicago during the summer when there are plenty of outdoor festivals, concerts and activities. For a quieter time, visit during the fall when the weather is cooler and tourist attractions are less crowded.

LOCAL CUSTOMS

Smoking is banned in public places in Chicago, and smokers must stand at least 15 feet from entrances, exits and open windows. Twenty-one is the legal drinking age in the city; photo ID is required to buy and consume alcohol and it is illegal to drink in the street. As in most US states, tipping between 10-20% is strongly advised at bars, restaurants, hotels, when paying cab drivers and receiving many other services.

ATTIRE

In the summer months temperatures can reach the high 20s so it is advisable to wear a hat and use sunscreen. In the winter months it can get extremely cold in Chicago, so a winter coat, hat, scarf and gloves are essential.

LANGUAGE

American English

CURRENCY

U.S. Dollar

EXCHANGE RATE

\$1 = USD 1.00

£1 = USD 1.595

€1 = USD 1.356

COUNTRY DIALLING CODE

+1

24 HOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT

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Fire Services: 911

Police: 911

Helicopter: +1 312 454 7800

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EMBASSY CONTACTS

UK:

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400 North Michigan Avenue

13th Floor

Chicago IL 60611

TIME ZONE

GMT - 6

Daylight Saving Time runs from the last Sunday in March until the last Sunday in October

POPULATION

3 million

RELIGIOUS DEMOGRAPHIC

Various religions

TYPICAL OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday: 10am-7pm, Sunday: 12pm-6pm

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

1. New Year's Day – January 1
2. Martin Luther King Day – Third Monday in January
3. President's Day – Third Monday in February
4. Casimir Pulaski Day – First Monday in March
5. Memorial Day – Last Monday in May
6. Independence Day – July 4
7. Labor Day – First Monday in September
8. Columbus Day – Second Monday in October
9. Veterans Day – November 11
10. Thanksgiving – Fourth Thursday in November
11. Christmas Day – December 25

Month	Mean temperature (°C)		Total rainfall (mm)	Rain days per month
	Daily minimum	Daily maximum		
January	-7	1	47	10
February	-6	2	41	10
March	-2	6	70	12
April	5	14	77	12
May	11	21	95	13
June	16	26	103	11
July	20	29	86	9
August	19	28	80	9
September	14	24	69	8
October	8	17	71	8
November	0	8	56	10
December	-5	2	48	10

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