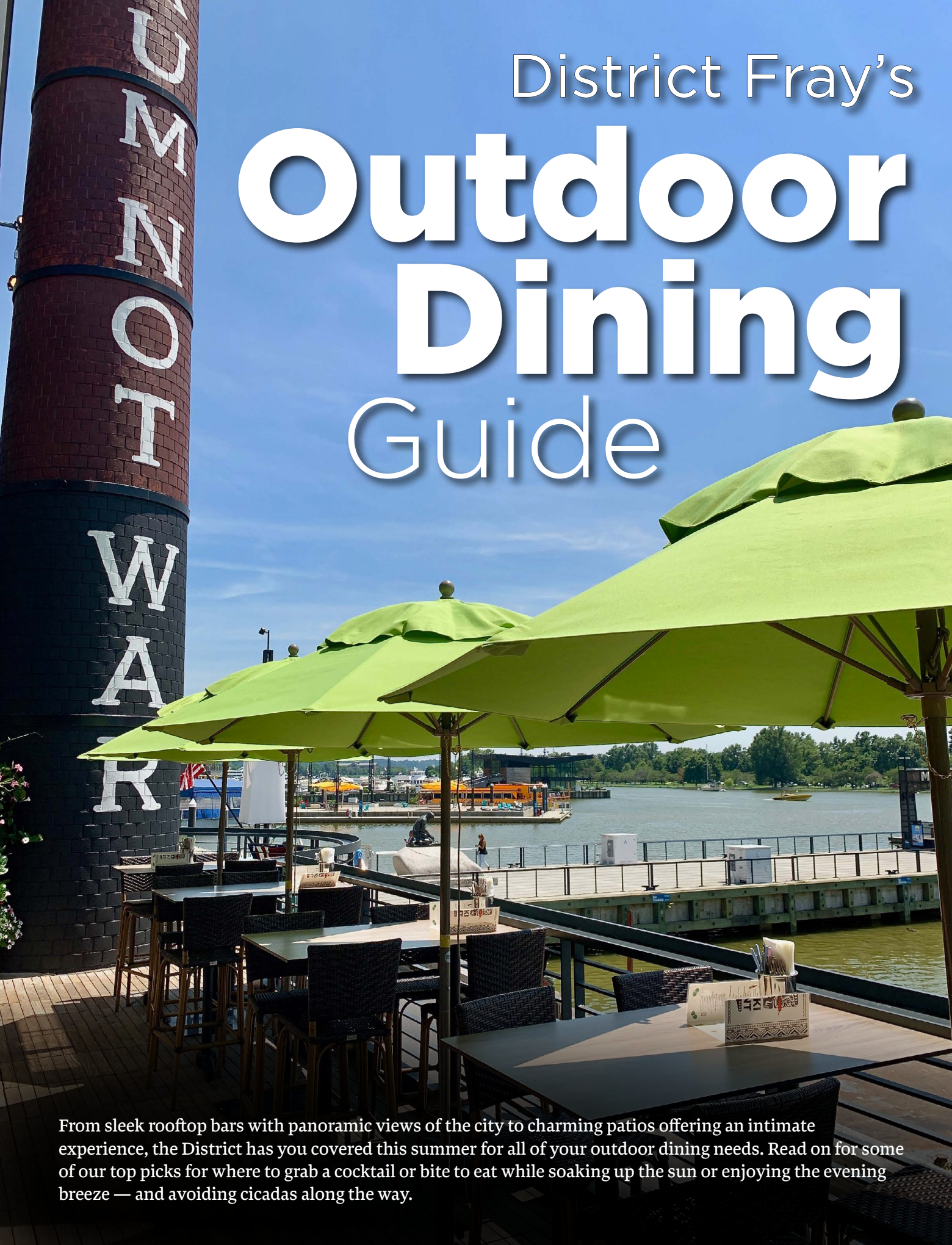


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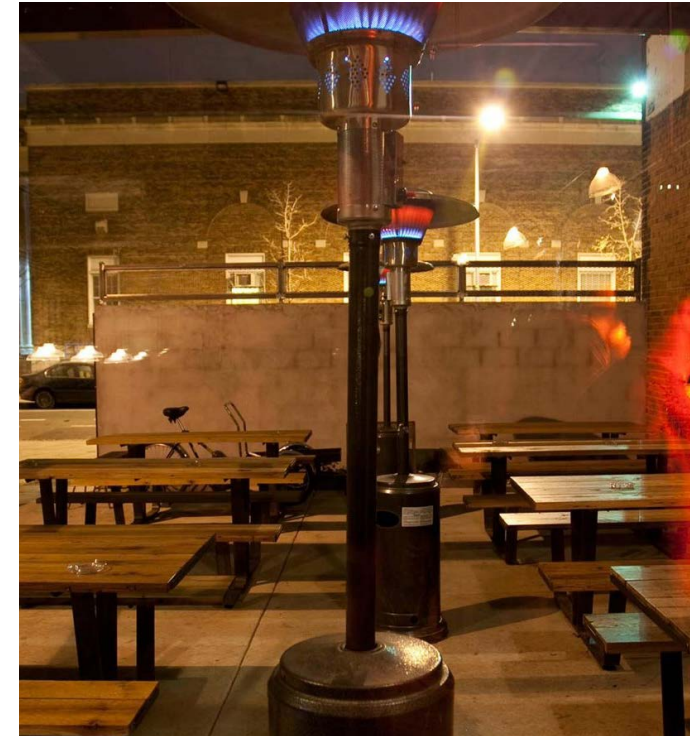


From sleek rooftop bars with panoramic views of the city to charming patios offering an intimate experience, the District has you covered this summer for all of your outdoor dining needs. Read on for some of our top picks for where to grab a cocktail or bite to eat while soaking up the sun or enjoying the evening breeze — and avoiding cicadas along the way.



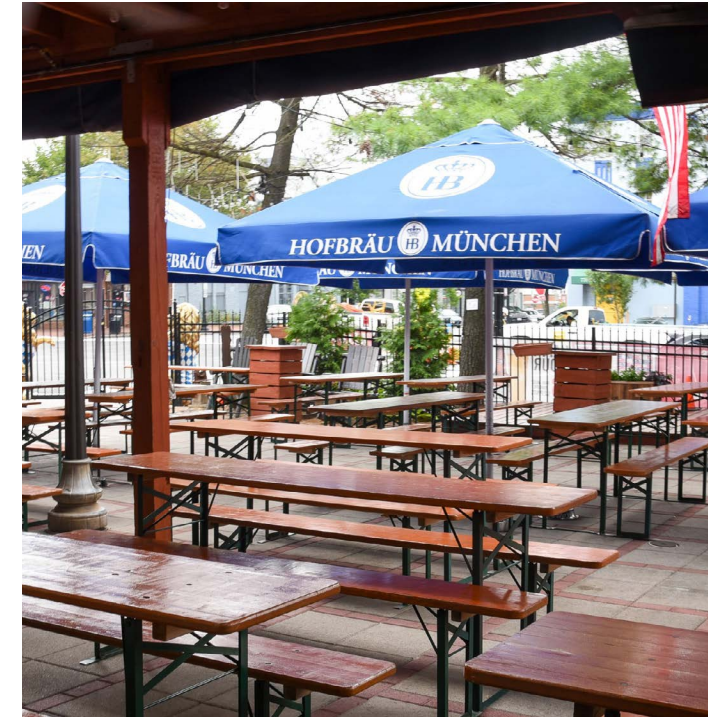
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AMERICAN ICE COMPANY

American Ice Company is a neighborhood joint with swachos, beers, whiskey and picklebacks. The outdoor patio and drinking room with a large garage door are available five days a week. The large garage door will be open on most days when the weather allows for maximum circulation. 917 V St. NW, DC; 202-414-7930; www.amicodc.com



THE BRIG

This year-round tavern features liters of German brews, plus eats such as bratwurst and pretzels. 1007 8th St. SE, DC; 202-675-1000; www.thebrigdc.com

EXPERIENCE THE FINE LIFE THIS SUMMER AT THESE PATIOS:



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THE BRIGHTON

This Hilton Brothers watering hole offers a prime waterfront location and British seaside-themed pub grub. 949 Wharf St. SW, DC; 202-735-5398; www.brighton-dc.com



CACTUS CANTINA

Cactus Cantina is a fun, engaging, casual, family-friendly restaurant serving the best Tex-Mex specialties in the Washington area. Cactus Cantina resembles a true, authentic Tex-Mex cantina with the capacity to host over 300 guests. While best-known for its awesome Tex-Mex menu, the restaurant also serves Cuban, Spanish and South American dishes. 3300 Wisconsin Ave. NW, DC; 202-686-7222; www.cactuscantina.com

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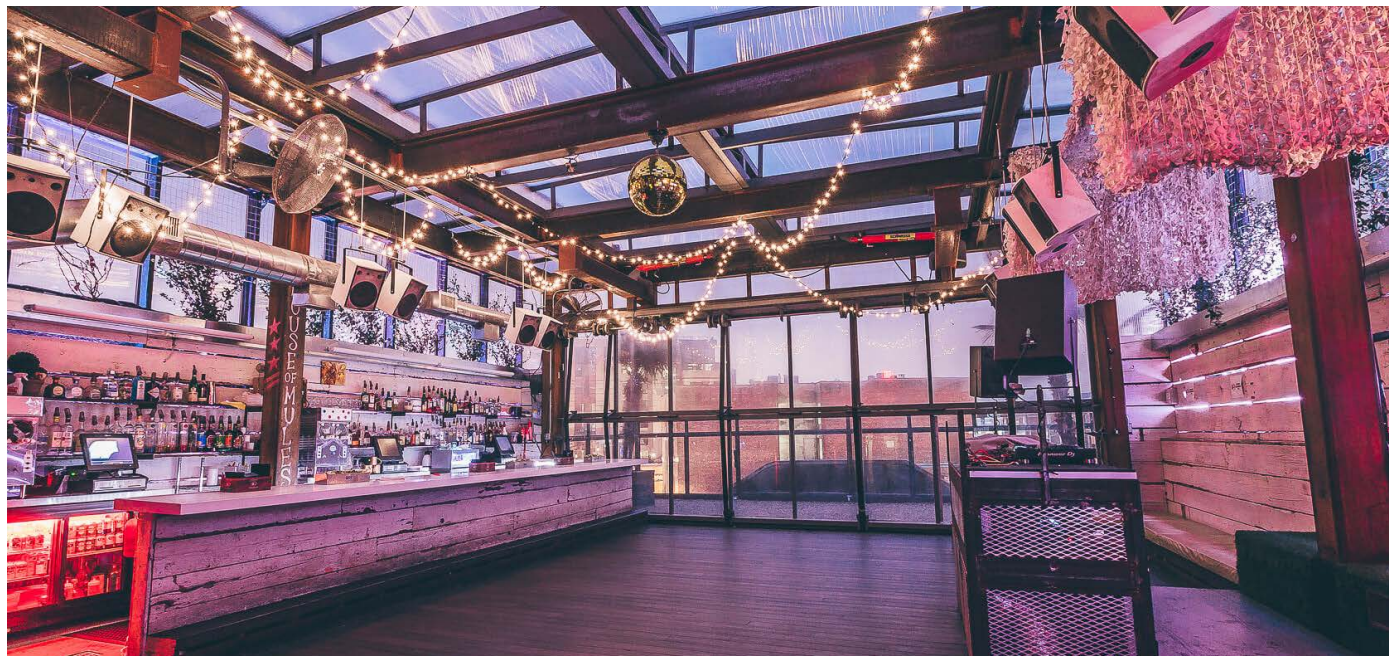
DON JUAN

This modest, brightly colored restaurant and bar with sidewalk seating offers Central American fare. 1660 Lamont St. NW, DC; 202-667-0010; www.donjuanrestaurantdc.com



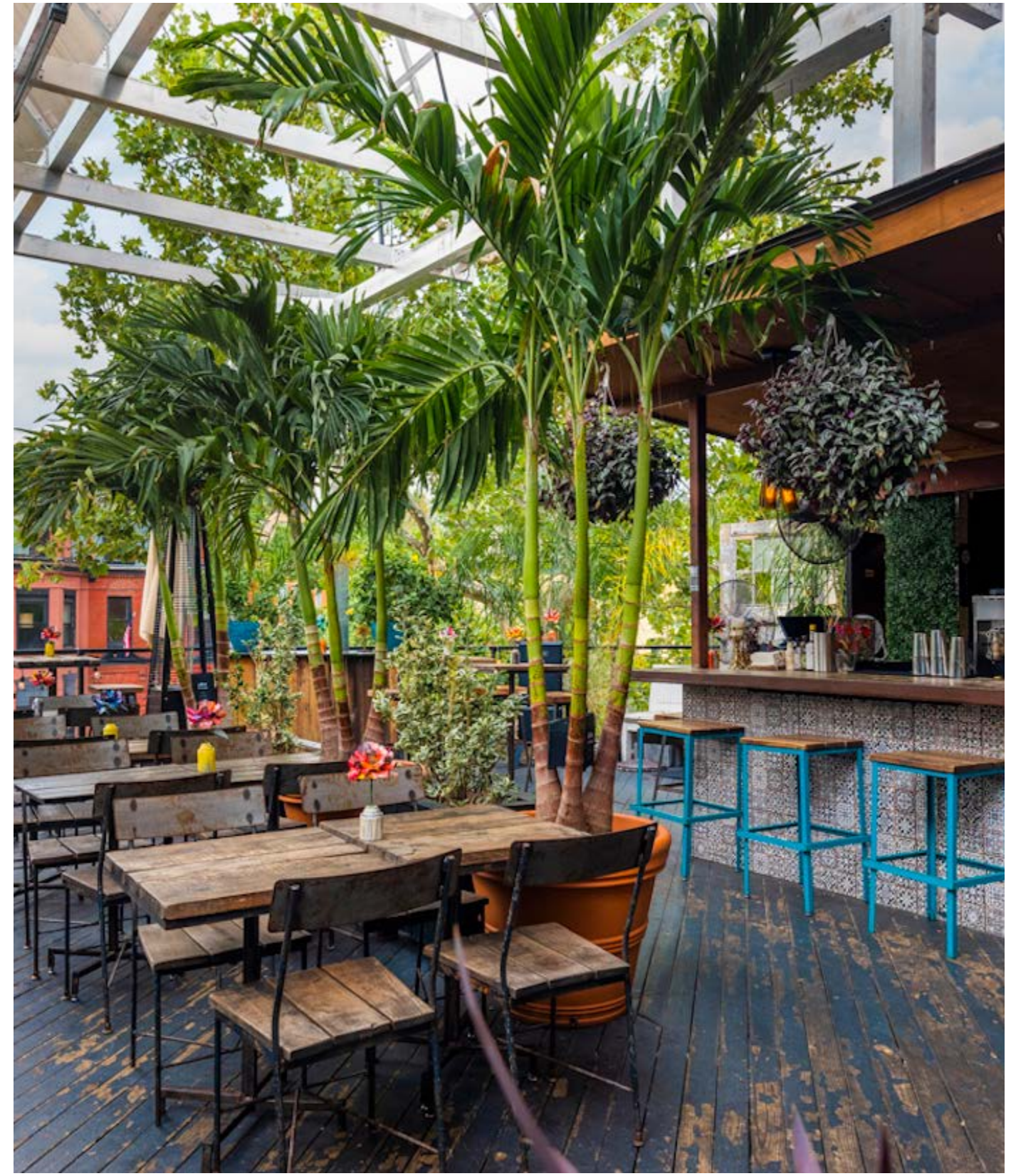
ÉL BEBE

Él Bebe is a tribute to those that work hard and deserve all the tacos and tequila they can handle. This is a judgment-free taco zone that applauds the grind as well as the unwind. The restaurant is here for a great atmosphere to connect and appreciate “unwinding” done right. The thing about tacos is, they really are the perfect food. They can be made clean and healthy, vegan or carnivorous, but always fresh and without all the processed junk. You can be a taco glutton and still use quality ingredients. 99 M St. #120, SE, DC; 202-863-2323; www.el-bebe.com



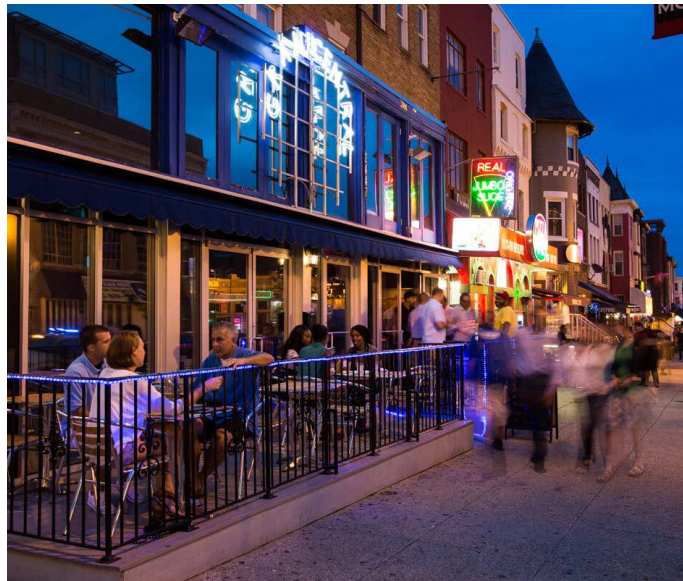
FLASH

Flash opened its doors in June of 2013 as a collaboration between longtime lovers of music, former DJs and music industry vets. Their goal was to present an intimate space where artists can express themselves clearly and fans can hear their favorite artists in an ideal setting. The rooftop, or Green Room, features a third DJ booth, dance floor, and a fully retractable top and bifold doors to enjoy the open air. The dance floor is surrounded by greenery, lounge seating and views of D.C. The extended bar menu on the roof features frozen cocktails, organic juices and kombucha. 645 Florida Ave. NW, DC; 202-827-8791; www.flashdc.com



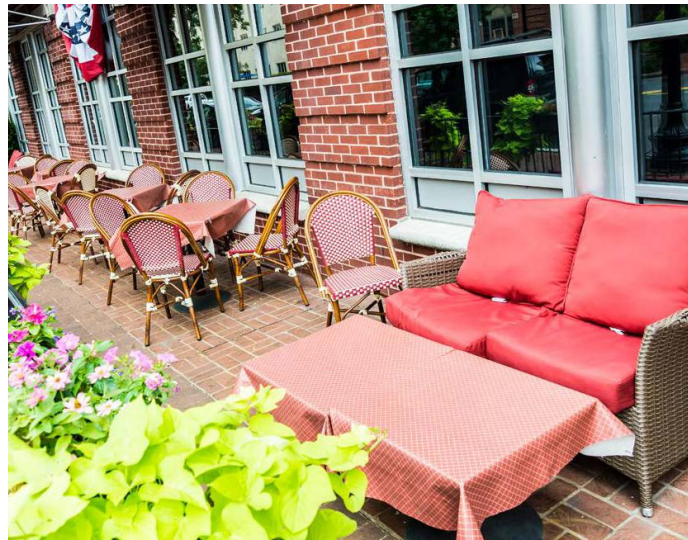
EL TECHO

El Techo, led by owner Louie Hawkins, welcomes Washington to its tropical vacation-transporting design on a heated 1100-square-foot roof deck, which can be enclosed or open-air depending on weather, in D.C.'s Shaw neighborhood. El Techo is serving up handcrafted cocktails, Latin-inspired tapas and entrees, and plenty of vacation vibes. El Techo's rooftop is available for full or partial buyouts. Menus for El Techo and sister restaurant Rito Loco's are available for private parties, and will work with guests to create a custom party. 606 Florida Ave. NW, DC; 202-836-4270; www.eltecho.com



GRAND CENTRAL

Grand Central serves delicious classic American favorites year-round for dinner, Monday through Sunday from 6-10 p.m. You're sure to find the perfect meal for a weekend brunch or casual dinner as you unwind from a long day at work. And don't forget to check out the drink specials available from their friendly and attentive staff. There's always a great deal on the menu, no matter your drink of choice. 2447 18th St. NW, DC; 202-986-1742; www.grandcentraldc.com



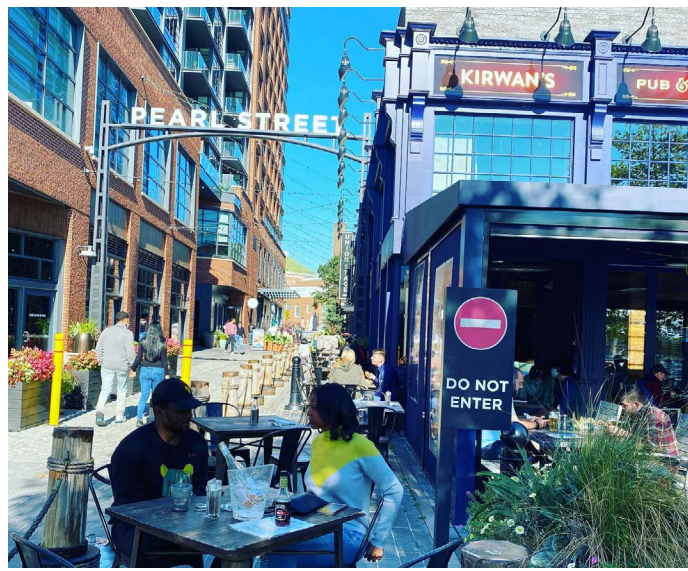
IRISH CHANNEL RESTAURANT & PUB

The Irish Channel serves only fresh produce, fish and meat in its restaurant and buys locally grown whenever possible. The pub emanates a wonderful character that will make you feel just like you're in Dublin. Live entertainment is offered four nights a week (Wednesday through Saturday) where the restaurant and pub features local, renowned Irish singers and musicians. The specials change daily, so you will never be bored eating there. When the weather is nice, come check out the sidewalk patio where you can dine casually or enjoy your favorite libation while listening to the soothing bells of Saint Mary's church across the street. Come by yourself or bring the entire family to this local favorite. 500 H St. NW, DC; 202-216-0046; www.irishchanneldc.com



KELLY'S IRISH TIMES

Since 1978, Kelly's Irish Times has helped provide lifelong memories to multiple generations of Washingtonians and visitors. The outdoor patio and streatory provide picturesque views of Union Station and the Smithsonian National Postal Museum, and are conveniently located near Capitol Hill. With over a dozen beers on draft, delicious pub grub and the best prices on high-end liquor in town, Kelly's Irish Times is sure to make your summer night a memorable one. 14 F St. NW, DC; 202-543-5433; www.kellysirishtimesdc.com



KIRWAN'S ON THE WHARF

In fine weather, Kirwan's opens its two lovely patios: one just outside the restaurant and one directly on the water bank. In the colder months, retreat indoors to warm up by one of their fireplaces. If you're as into European sports as they are, you'll feel right at home enjoying the overseas games they broadcast throughout their different areas. The food and drink menus are available throughout Kirwan's, so you can indulge in a bite to eat or a drink in any area. 749 Wharf St. SW, DC; 202-554-3818; www.kirwansonthewharf.com



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MACINTYRE'S

Macintyre's is here to offer a dining experience that is unique to D.C. and exceeds expectations. By selecting the best local ingredients, the restaurant delivers the best seasonal menu. And to compliment that menu, it offers a wide variety of select premium beers and spirits. The upscale yet comfortable atmosphere offers flexible gathering spaces for all occasions. 2621 Connecticut Ave. NW, DC; 202-506-3427; www.macintyresdc.com



PROPER 21

Proper 21 is a restaurant-forward sporting club serving all-American classics with a gourmet twist created by executive chef Steve Forbes. The space maintains the modern aesthetic and New York style of its Manhattan locations, which have best been described as "Tom Ford meets Thomas Edison." The restaurant provides state-of-the-art audio and visual for sports, corporate functions, nightlife and other events. 1319 F St. NW, DC; 202-847-3674; www.propersocial.com



PUBLIC BAR LIVE

Public Bar Live is D.C.'s premier sports bar. Specializing in a live sports viewing experience, as well as a first class music hall, Public Bar Live is the only place you need. They have over fifty big screens that show all major sporting events, including international soccer and college sports. The stage will host many local musicians, as well as national touring artists. On the weekends, take in the sounds of the DJ from the dance floor, or enjoy bottle service at one of their tables. State-of-the-art sound and lighting systems create an all-encompassing experience. 1214 18th St. NW, DC; 202-223-2200; www.publicbarlive.com



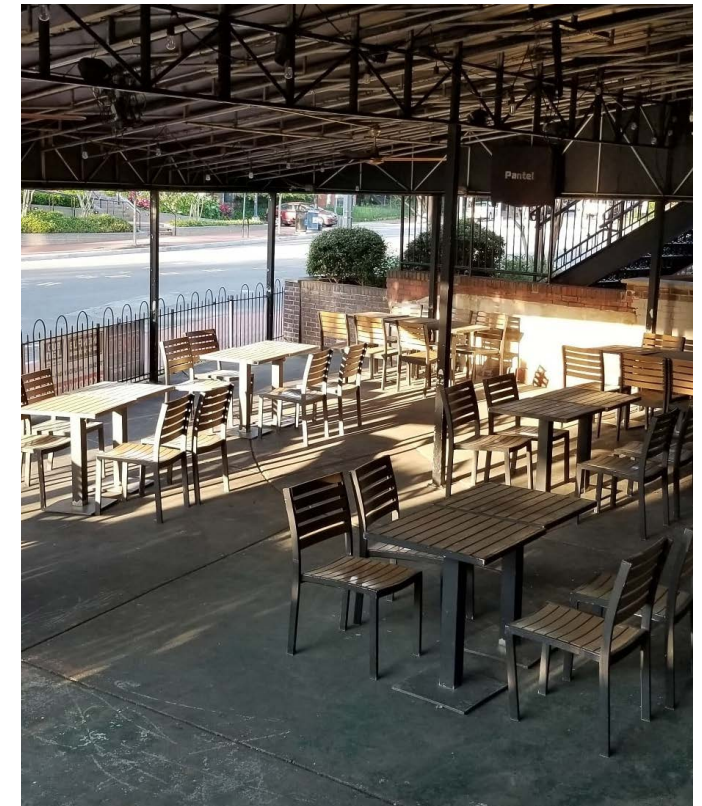
TIKI TNT & POTOMAC DISTILLING COMPANY

Tiki TNT is a lively bar connected to Thrasher's Rum. Escape the hustle and bustle of the city for a bit of rest and relaxation in the heart of Washington, D.C. 1130 Maine Ave. SW, DC; 202-900-4786; www.tikitnt.com




SURFSIDE

Since opening in 2008, Surfside has established itself as one of D.C.'s favorite spots for the best tacos, burritos and fresh-Mex in town. It's the go-to gathering place for families and friends to relax over margaritas and tasty food. For your favorite Surfside dishes 24 hours a day, visit the Surfside Taco Stand in Dupont Circle. 4200 Wisconsin Ave. NW, DC; 202-733-3239; www.surfsidedc.com



UNION PUB

Watch sports live on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. in a relaxed and friendly neighborhood bar. Visit for great food and drinks. 201 Massachusetts Ave. NE, DC; 202-546-7200; www.unionpubdc.com


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