

# Chicon V Restaurant Guide

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"Great city, isn't it? Best kept secret in America." -- Bill Granger

Welcome to Chicago! We hope you enjoy your stay at Chicon V, and we especially hope you enjoy our restaurants. Chicago has one of the most diversified and high quality restaurant selections in the world!

People are often afraid of large cities, especially Chicago, with its Al Capone past. In fact, Chicago is one of the safest downtown areas to walk in at night, particularly on the "Magnificent Mile," the section of Michigan avenue north of the river just across from the Hyatt Regency. (Despite this assurance, we do not recommend walking alone at night on streets that are not in highly lit, main traffic areas -- the chance of something happening is not high, but please use common sense!)

Making sense of distances and addresses in Chicago is relatively easy. All street addresses are measured from the intersection of State (north-south) and Madison (east-west), which is considered zero-zero. There are 800 street numbers to a mile, and nearly all downtown streets are either straight north-south or east-west. So, for example, to walk from Grand (400 north) to Chicago Avenue (800 north) on Michigan avenue is half a mile. The Hyatt Regency is at 151 east, and approximately 330 north. Whenever you are unsure of where a restaurant is, ask for the address coordinates, and you can then calculate the approximate distance.

All restaurants recommended here are either within reasonable walking distance (1 mile) or a short cab ride, unless specified otherwise with the words "significant drive." If in doubt about the distance, check with the Information Desk or the Hyatt Concierge before leaving on foot, and don't blame us if the hike is longer than you thought. OK?

What are the "special" foods in Chicago? The main food that Chicago's gastronomic reputation is built on is stuffed pizza, an inch-thick manna of the gods. Chicago's hot dogs are unique, and its Italian Beef is also wondrous. If you're not from the Midwest and you think you've had steak before, you're wrong. The barbequed ribs here are among the best to be found in the Midwest. Dessert fans should keep an eye out for restaurants serving Eli's cheesecake, the best in the known universe. While we don't normally recommend McDonald's, you MUST stop in at the Rock and Roll McDonald's, which has to be seen to be believed -- trust us. Likewise, Ed Debevic's (they started here -- a MUST trip if you haven't been to one). The Hot Dog That Ate Chicago has both excellent food and a nifty sci-fi decor.

Below is a list of cuisines, and our highly subjective personal opinions on the best of the breed for each cuisine. After that, we list information on these restaurants, as well as others within a one mile radius of the Hyatt Regency. We strongly recommend that you call ahead for reservations at most of the places listed below. Hours of operation, menu, and even quality are subject to change without notice.

For a second opinion on Chicago restaurants, pick up a Friday Chicago Tribune newspaper; its Friday section contains extensive restaurant lists and reviews. Chicago Magazine carries a lot of restaurant reviews, but they're aiming at a more upscale audience than the Trib does.

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Please note the places in Illinois Center that are offering special Chicon V hours or prices and patronize them. They're going out of their way to serve us, and should be rewarded for that. (If you want to make a big impression, go out of your way to thank the managers)

## Barbecue/Ribs

Most of the truly magnificent rib joints in Chicago are in very bad areas that we do not recommend going into unless you are "street-smart" and in large groups...and during the daytime. The best rib joint in a "safe" area is Robinson's on Madison in Oak Park (significant drive). Carson's has a restaurant on Wells that has very good but not great ribs, served on white linen with bagels (yeah, yeah, we know -- unclear on the concept). Twin Anchors (cab) also has very good ribs. Bub City (cab ride) serves Texas-style barbecue that should meet with approval (though maybe not raves) by our Texan contingent.

## Brewery/Restaurants

Goose Island is the place. (cab)

## Brunch

The Hyatt Regency's Sunday brunch in La Misada is excellent (though it is meat Kosher, and some traditional dairy-oriented brunch items are missing). Reservations absolutely necessary. The Swissotel is planning on serving a brunch. Most of the other downtown hotels also do a big-time Sunday brunch.

## Buffet

The best buffet deal near the Hyatt is at the restaurants in the Swissotel. Their buffets are reasonably priced and the food is of high quality.

## Burgers

#1 spot to go is the Rock and Roll McDonald's -- it's open 24 hours and the decor (the walls are literally filled with nostalgia and rock&roll memorabilia) is absolutely stunning. They also serve a number of items not found at other McDonald's restaurants.

Saturday Night Live fans MUST go to Billy Goat's, just across the bridge in front of the Hyatt and down the stairs. This is the place where the "cheezborger, cheezborger" skit was drawn from. The burgers are good, too.

Burger King has a restaurant just down the block from the Hyatt, at Michigan avenue. Expect heavy fan crowds there.

Chicago's Hard Rock Cafe has pretty good burgers (forget the ribs, though), but the noise level of rock&roll muzak is very high -- great if you like that sort of thing.

### Coffee shops

Inexpensive, nothing fancy, but no ptomaine or roaches. Cambridge House (try the Greek salad).

### Diners

Ed Debevic's is a yuppie diner with smartass waitrons and a 1950's atmosphere. Milkshakes, meatloaf, wonderful cheese fries, great burgers, all made with high-quality ingredients. Try the world's smallest ice cream sundae. Warning: no reservations accepted, long waits during peak hours.

### Gourmet

These places are very expensive, but if you've got bucks to throw around, they're worth it. Nearby, try Gordon's. Cab: Charlie Trotter's. Significant drive: Le Francais

### Cajun

Not a lot of authentic Cajun food in Chicago. The only place downtown is "Heaven on Seven," aka the Garland Building Coffee Shop, which is only open for breakfast and lunch. If you want to drive long distances, try the Gulfport Cafe & Diner, Maple Tree Inn.

### Chili

The only great chili in Chicago is Lindy's, which has a number of locations on the south side. Significant drive.

### Chinese

Within an easy walk of the Hyatt are two "fancy" Chinese restaurants, Szechwan House and House of Hunan. Each has their partisans, but we will note that there have been occasional reports of uneven quality at both. Tang Dynasty has a good rep, too.

Inexpensive but good Chinese food is available at Sixty-Five on North Michigan (there is also a Sixty-Five in Chinatown, see below). Oriental Express in Illinois Center also has inexpensive Chinese food.

If you want to drive or take an "L" train, Chicago's Chinatown is about four miles southwest. It's the largest Chinatown not on the east or west coasts of the US. Biggest and best Dim Sum in the city is at the Three Happiness main restaurant (on Wentworth). Mandar-Inn has a good rep. Warning: Chinatown itself is safe, but the area surrounding it is definitely NOT -- do NOT attempt to walk outside of the areas that are obviously part of Chinatown.

### Cuban

If you want Cuban (or Spanish), Tania's is the place. (drive)

### Dinner Theatre shows

For a Chicago-style evening, try Mystery Cafe or Tommy Gun's Garage.

### French

For inexpensive French food, Vie de France (in Illinois Center, next to the Hyatt) is fine.

As in other cities, high quality French food is extremely expensive. Le Francais in Wheeling (long drive) is considered one of the top ten restaurants (of any kind) in the country, and is priced accordingly. Somewhat lower in price, but still expensive, is Cafe Provencal in Evanston (drive). Closer to the Hyatt, try Le Perroquet.

### German

The Berghoff is a wonderful German restaurant, and is only a few blocks away.

### Greek

Chicago has some of the finest Greek food anywhere. For a really fun evening, get up a group and take a short cab ride to Greektown, on Halsted street. Greektown is several blocks long, and you can't go wrong in any of the restaurants. Our favorites include Plaka, the Parthenon, and Greek Islands. Just poke your head in the door and pick the one that has the atmosphere that best suits your mood. Make sure at least one person in your group orders saganaki (a cheese dish that is flamed at tableside). For a different wine, try retsina. Opaa!

### Grocery Stores

Faycurr in Illinois Center next to the Hyatt is your closest source of Groceries. The Doral Building on Michigan avenue a couple of blocks south has a small grocery store also. Both of these, as you will notice, cater to the kind of person who can afford to live in downtown Chicago.

The closest "real" grocery store is the Jewel at Clark and Division, about 1.5 miles north. At Wells and North is a Treasure Island, one of a chain of grocery stores with an emphasis on international groceries; they have an interesting selection but are priced slightly higher than Jewel is.

### Hot dogs

In Chicago, we take umbrage at the notion of a hot dog being "just" a hot dog. To qualify as a Chicago hot dog, it must be: (1) kosher, (2) served on a poppy seed bun, (3) literally covered with toppings to the point that if the hot dog itself is the dominant taste, you don't have enough toppings. Toppings include: onions, pickle, celery salt, cucumbers, tomato slices, relish, etc. Highly recommended is The Hot Dog That Ate Chicago, which has a science-fiction decor on the walls. There are a number of Irving's restaurants throughout the city that serve excellent dogs.

### Hyatt Regency Chicago restaurants

All Seasons is your best bet for general dining in terms of price; it's open 24 hours so is always convenient. Stetson's is an excellent steakhouse, but a bit pricey for the average fan. Mrs. O'Leary's has sandwiches and burgers. La Misada is a meat kosher restaurant with an excellent Sunday brunch.

Please don't forget the River Edge Cafe, which is on the riverbank in front of the Hyatt (you have to go down the stairs to get to it). It's open for lunch only, and the menu is limited, but the prices are reasonable and the view is terrific.

### Illinois Center

Illinois Center is the shopping complex that surrounds the Hyatt and lies between the Hyatt and Swissotel. It can be entered from the East tower atrium lobby of the Hyatt or from the Concourse level of West tower (near con suite), as well as from several outside entrances. While it is normally aimed at weekday office building clientele, some of the restaurants there are open all weekend.

Vie de France has good soup and sandwiches. Popeye's has the usual fried chicken. Bagel shop has good bagels. Faycurr's is the closest grocery store. Oriental Express is good, inexpensive oriental food.

Restaurants that have agreed to have special extended hours especially for Chicon include: Vie de France, Steven's coffee shop, Oxford Bagel Deli, Oriental Express, Faycurr's, Popeye's, Baskin-Robbins, Subway, and Burger King. **We recommend that you patronize these establishments and let them know how much you appreciate their staying open for extra hours.** Actual hours are listed in the appendix below.

### Indian

The big area of Indian restaurants (and sari stores) is on Devon Avenue, about 8 miles north. If you want to make the trip, Gandhi India is our favorite.

Nearby, Gaylord India and Bukhara are pretty good.

### Inexpensive

If cost is the overriding factor in restaurant choice, your options are mostly familiar ones. McDonald's, Burger King, Popeye's, Taco Bell, Wendy's. Unique to Chicago: The Hot Dog That Ate Chicago, Sixty-Five, Cambridge House. Ricobene's. Jacobs brothers. Ann Sather's. Danilo's, Mallers Bldg. Coffee Shop.

### Italian

The traditional Italian section is on Taylor street to the west of downtown (cab), and has a number of good restaurants; try Florence. In the downtown area, good Italian food can be found at Italian Village (which consists of three very different Italian restaurants in a single building), Gene and Georgetti's, and Scoozie's. Chicken Vesuvio is very popular in Chicago; if you haven't had it, try it.

### Italian Beef and/or Italian Sausage

Italian Beef consists of thinly sliced beef that is marinated in a mildly spicy thin gravy, and served on a roll (purists insist the roll must be from either the Gonnella or Turano bakeries), most people prefer to have the entire sandwich dipped in the juice before serving -- be sure to tell them if you don't want them to do that! Messy but delicious. The best are Al's Italian Beef and Mr. Beef on Orleans. Jay Leno raves about the latter, but Al's has better fries.

### Italian Ice

If the weather is hot during Chicon, hie thee to Little Italy on Taylor street (cab) and have an Italian ice at Mario's, an outdoor hole-in-the wall stand. The Italian ice comes in varying sizes (from small cups to the infamous Italian Air Conditioner) and flavors (lemon, watermelon, cantaloupe, chocolate, etc.).

### Japanese

No particular Japanese restaurants that we would rave about.

If you like Japanese steakhouses, there is a Benihana and a Ron of Japan nearby.

### Korean

The main Korean restaurant area is on Lawrence Avenue (drive). Bando is pretty good.

### Kosher

La Misada in the Hyatt serves kosher food and is quite good. Nearby delicatessen restaurants would be the Carnegie Delicatessen, DB Kaplan's in Water Tower Place (which is great shopping area), and the Mallers Bldg. Coffee Shop.

The main concentration of Jewish restaurants in the city is in Skokie, to the north (drive). If you're up there, try the mish-mosh soup at The Bagel.

### Magic bars

No, these aren't candy bars, they're bars where close-up slight of hand magic is performed on a regular basis. Schulien's and Royal George are the best; call for show times.

### Mexican

There aren't any truly great Mexican restaurants in Chicago, but they make up for quality with quantity. (Note: there are NO outstanding Tex-Mex restaurants that we're aware of). Downtown, Su Casa and Frontera Grill are both good (but upscale).

### Middle Eastern

Sayat Nova.

### Mongolian Barbeque

There are only two in Chicago. The best is Genghis Khan's which is near the Windycon hotel, and is a long drive. If you want Mongolian barbeque, come back for Windycon.

### North Pier

North Pier is a yuppie-oriented rehabbed warehouse that offers shops, restaurants, and the wondrous Battletech! It's on Illinois St., just across the river from the Hyatt and towards the lake. To get there, cross the river on Columbus or Michigan. We highly recommend it.

On Saturday, North Pier is running a clambake celebration with steel bands, Captain Rat & the Blind Rivets, limbo and clam digging contests, clam eating contests, and an Elvis impersonator (or could it really be...? Nahhh).

On Sunday at 9PM, North Pier will be setting off a fireworks show on the riverfront.

Restaurants in North Pier that are especially worth considering are the Old Carolina Crab House and the Original A-1 Beanyery. If you like loud, raucous restaurants, Dick's Last Resort is a lot of fun.

### Pizza

There are quite a few thin-crust pizza places in Chicago, but we think mostly tourists patronize them. New York style pizza (thicker crust) is fairly rare -- if you want some, call Connie's -- they'll deliver to the Hyatt. (Note: the Hyatt will make you accept delivery in the lobby).

But the true gem in the crown of Chicago food is stuffed pizza -- a delight that is an inch thick and contains two crusts (one on the bottom, one in the middle), with sauce rather than cheese as the top layer. Nothing human can eat an entire large stuffed pizza. There is also a close relation called a deep dish pizza (one crust only), and the two names are sometimes used interchangeably. Preferences for pizza restaurants cause arguments of Biblical proportion. Our theological stance leans towards Giordano's and Edwardo's, either of which will do you quite well. If you prefer a commmeal-based crust to a flaky one, you can join the heretics at Gino's East. If you're into roots, you can visit Uno's or Due's, which invented the deep dish pizza concept (but which Giordano's and Edwardo's perfected). Bacino's is the closest stuffed pizza restaurant, but the quality, while very good, is not quite that of Giordano's and Edwardo's.

### Polish

Some great Polish restaurants can be found on Milwaukee avenue (drive). Try the Busy Bee at the inexpensive end, Mareva's for upscale stuff like lobster pierogis.

### Russian

The best Russian food is found at Moscow At Night, a Russian supper club on the north side (drive).

### Seafood

As you may have noticed, we're not near an ocean. This does not mean there is no good seafood to be found (lake fish can be tasty), but it will be pricier than those of you from the east and west coasts are used to. Much of it is flown in.

We like Shaw's Crab House. The Blue Point Chowder House is good, too. Many celebrities go to the Cape Cod Room.

### Steak

For carnivores, there ain't nothing better than a good, well-marbled corn-fed steak. (hopefully vegetarians reading this will have skipped to the next section by now). All of the top steak houses are fairly expensive (Ponderosa this isn't), but you get value for your money. Stetson's at the Hyatt Regency is an excellent steakhouse. Gene and Georgetti's, Morton's, and Arnie's are very good, too. If you specifically want prime rib, go to Lawry's, where prime rib is the ONLY entree on the menu -- your only choice is to choose the thickness and how done you want it. We give an edge to Eli's though, which has the advantage of serving Eli's cheesecake for dessert (it comes in 14 different flavors).

### Swedish

Ann Sather's on Belmont (drive or L train).

### Swissotel

The Swissotel's restaurants (on the same level as the tunnel connecting to the Hyatt) offer excellent buffets at a reasonable value. The Swissotel is doing massive extending of its normal operating hours; they will keep restaurants into the wee hours if demand warrants it.

### Thai

Mike Glycer has decreed that there are no first-class Thai restaurants in Chicago. If you must have it, the Thai area is on Lawrence avenue (drive/cab) -- try Thai Touch or Thai Classic.

### Vegetarian

There is little in the way of restaurants specializing in vegetarian and health foods in the downtown area, though most restaurants can accommodate you with one or two items. The best vegetarian restaurants are the Heartland (drive) on Morse at the north end of the city, and Blind Faith in Evanston (drive) -- Blind Faith is not just ordinary vegetarian but has many dishes for each of the subgroups of vegetarianism (macrobiotic, non-dairy, etc.). Charlie Trotter's, one of the best (and most expensive) restaurants in Chicago, usually has one or two vegetarian entrees available.

Downtown restaurants that offer good choices for vegetarians include Me and Mrs. Lee, Gaylord India, and Vie de France.

### Vietnamese

Little Vietnam is on Argyle street to the north (drive or L train). Ha Mien and Pasteur are pretty good.

### View

If you want a view, try the 95th (in the John Hancock building), but keep in mind you're paying for the view, not the food. (cost-conscious fans can just visit the bar there -- same view, lower cost). The Everest Room has better food, not quite as good a view, and higher prices.

Below is an alphabetic list of restaurants mentioned above, plus MANY others within approximately one mile of the Hyatt. If a restaurant's name is preceded by an asterisk, it is further than one mile away and definitely should be reached by taxicab, automobile, or L train.

Adult Foods, Illinois center. Sandwiches.

All Seasons, Hyatt Regency. Varied cuisines.

**Open 24 hours.**

Al's Italian Beef, 169 W. Ontario, 943-3222. Italian Beef.

1079 W. Taylor, 733-8896.

166 W. Washington, 332-1400.

215 W. Jackson, 939-2995.

220 S. State, 939-3933.

Americus Bar, Swissotel.

**Special Chicon V hours:** until 2 am.

Arnie's, 1030 N. State, 266-4800. Steaks.

\* Ann Sather's (pronounced SAYthers), 929 W. Belmont, 7-11 Sun-Thur,  
til midnite F-Sat

Au Bon Pain, 180 N. Michigan, 419-0488. Croissants.

Austin Koo's Restaurant, 318 W. Adams, 853-1155. Japanese.

Bacino's, 75 E. Wacker Dr., 263-0070. Pizza.

\* Bando, 2200 W. Lawrence, 726-0100. Korean.

Baskin-Robbins, Illinois Center.

**Special Chicon V hours:** Thur-Sun 11-7, Mon 11-3

Benihana, 166 E. Superior, 664-9643. Japanese Steakhouse.

Bennigan's, Illinois Center. Yuppie bar/restaurant.

Berghoff, 17 W. Adams, 427-3170. German.

Billy Goat, 430 North Michigan, lower level; cheezburgas

Blue Point Chowder House, 710 N. Wells (337-1500). Seafood.

Boat Club, North Pier.

\* Bub City, 901 W. Weed, 266-1200. Texas-style barbecue and crabs.

Bukhara, 2 E. Ontario, 943-0188. Indian.

\* Busy Bee, 1550 N. Damen, 772-4433. Polish.

Bombay Palace, 50 E. Walton, 664-9323. Indian.

11:30-2:30 m-f, til 3 Sat-Sun; 59

Boomerang Bar & Grill, Illinois Center. Bar & grill.

Boudin Bakery, Illinois Center. Wonderful bakery.

Bukhara, 2 E. Ontario, 943-0188. Indian.

Burger King, Illinois Center.

**Special Chicon V hours:** Thur-Fri 6-8, Sat 7-5, Mon 10-3.

\* Cafe Provençal, 1625 Hinman, Evanston, (708) 475-2233. French.

Cafe Suisse, Swissotel.

**Special Chicon V hours:** Fri-Sun 6AM-10pm. If demand warrants, will be kept open later.

**Special Chicon V huffets will be served.**

Cape Cod Room, Drake Hotel, 140 E. Walton, 787-2200.

Seafood. Lots of celebrities (Sinatra, etc.) eat here.

Carnegie Delicatessen, 900 N. Michigan, 6th floor, 337-5649.

Deli.

Carson's Ribs, 612 N. Wells, 280-9200. Ribs.

Center Pizza, Illinois Center. Pizza.

\* Charlie Trotter's, 816 W. Armitage, 248-6628. Continental.

Chez Paul, 660 N. Rush, 944-6680. French, featured in the  
Blues Brothers movie.

Cambridge House, East Ohio St. Coffee shop.

\* Connie's, 2373 S. Archer, 326-3443. Pizza, delivers to Hyatt.

Recommend you order with extra crust. (Hyatt insists you accept delivery in the lobby)

Cookies Chicago, Illinois Center. Cookies.

Danilo's, 1235 W. Grand, 421-0218. Sandwiches.

DB Kaplan's, Water Tower Place, 845 N. Michigan, 280-2700.

Deli.

Dick's Last Resort, North Pier. Varied.

Ditka's, 223 W. Ontario, 280-1790. Steaks & chops.

Owned by the coach of the Chicago Bears. Go Bears!

Dunkin Donuts, 20 E. Chicago, 266-8483.

201 N. State, 263-3663.

Ed Debevie's, 640 N. Wells, 664-1707. Upscale diner.

Edwardo's, 1212 N. Dearborn, 337-4490. Pizza.

521 S. Dearborn, 939-3366.

320 N. Michigan, 346-7979.

Eli's, 215 E. Chicago, 642-1393. Steak and cheesecake.

Everest Room, 440 S. LaSalle St. 663-8920. Continental.

Faycurr's Fine Foods and Deli, Illinois Center.

Grocery store and deli.

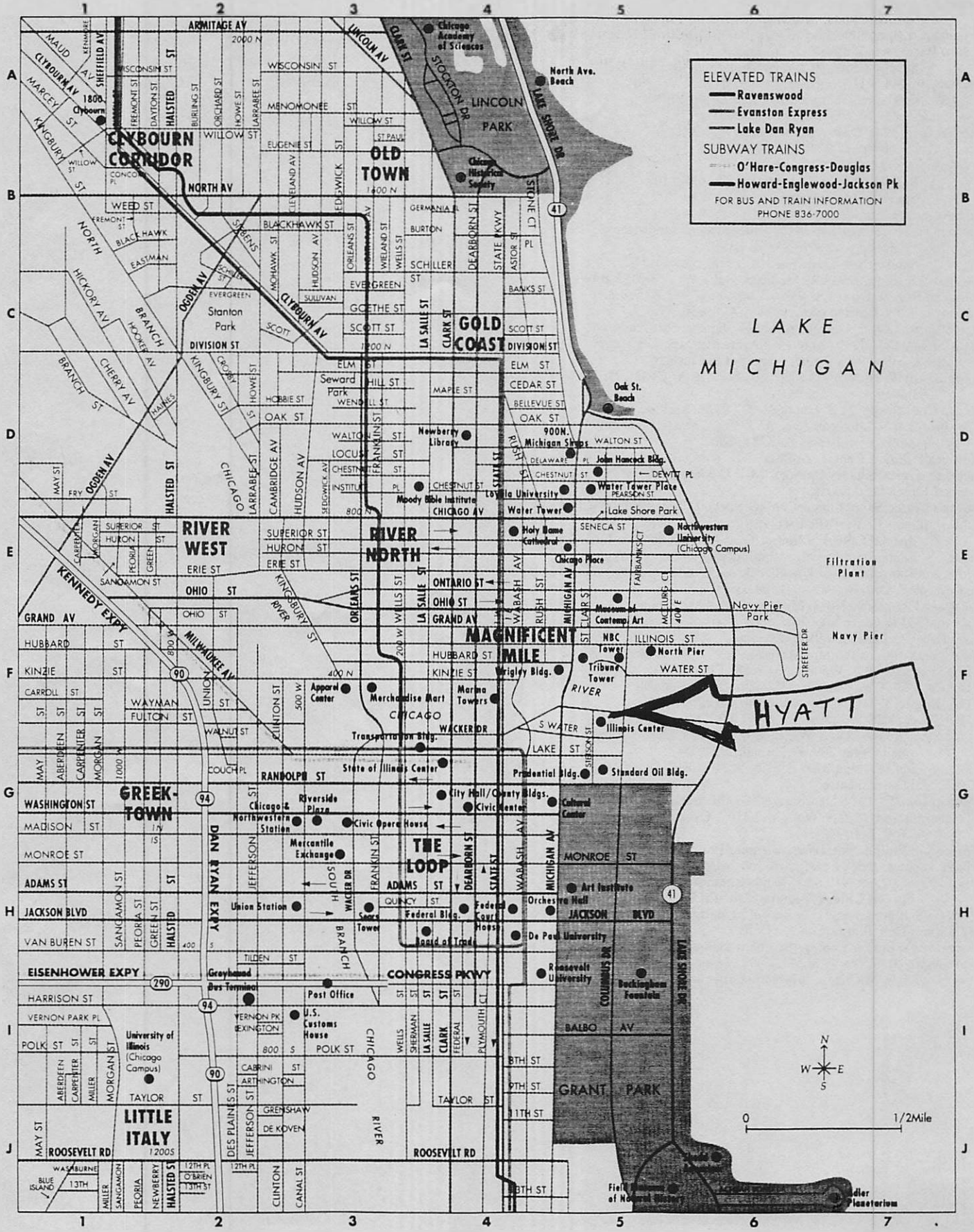
**Special Chicon V hours:** Thur-Fri 8-8, Sat 9-7, Sun 9-5, Mon 9-3.

May extend hours further if demand warrants it.

- \*Florence, 1040 W. Taylor, 829-1857, dinners circa \$15. Italian.  
 Fresco's, North Pier.  
 Frontera Grill, 445 N. Clark, 661-1434. Mexican.  
 Garden Cafe, Swissotel.  
 Gaylord India, 678 N. Clark, 664-1700. Indian.  
 \*Gandhi India, 2601 W. Devon, 761-8714. Indian.  
 Gene and Georgetti's, 500 N. Franklin 527-3718. Steaks, Italian.  
 \*Genghis Khan's Mongolian Barbeque, 27 E. Golf Rd., Schaumburg, 882-8920, 11 am - 9:30 p.m. Mongolian Barbecue.  
 Ginger, Illinois Center. Nouvelle cuisine.  
 Giordano's, 747 N. Rush St., 951-0747. PIZZA!  
 28 E. Jackson, 939-4646.  
 Gino's East, 160 E. Superior St., 943-1124. Pizza.  
 Gold Coast Dogs, 481 N. State, 527-1222. Hot dogs.  
 \*Goose Island Brewing, 1800 N. Clybourn, 915-0071.  
 Micro-brewery and restaurant.  
 Gordon, 500 North Clark, 467-9780. Continental.  
 Grandma Gebhard's, Illinois Center. Cookies, excellent coffee.  
 Grand & Wells Tap, 531 N. Wells, 645-1255. Steaks.  
 \*Greek Islands, 200 S. Halsted, 782-9855, 11-midnight. Greek.  
 \*Gulfport Cafe & Diner, 12401 S. Ashland, Calumet Park, 385-3100, closed Mondays. Cajun.  
 Hana East Japanese Steakhouse, 210 E. Ohio, 751-2100.  
 Japanese Steakhouse  
 \*Ha Mien, 4920 N. Sheridan (@ Argyle), M,W-Sun 10-10, 728-9594.  
 Vietnamese.  
 Hat Dance, 325 W. Huron, 649-0066. Mexican; interesting menu, but somewhat pricey.  
 Heaven on Seven (aka Garland Bldg. Coffee Shop, 111 N. Wabash, 7th floor), 263-6443. Poor boys, crab cakes, gumbo.  
 Hard Rock Cafe (forget the ribs, burgers good)  
 Harry Caray's, 33 W. Kinzie, 465-9269. American, overpriced.  
 Hoe Kow, 73 E. Lake, 332-1223. Chinese.  
 Hot Dog That Ate Chicago, 440 E. Grand, 464-0464. Chicago hot dogs.  
 House of Hunan, 535 N. Michigan Ave., 329-9494. Chinese.  
 Italian Village, 71 W. Monroe, 332-7005. Italian.  
 Jacobs Brothers, 58 E. Randolph, 368-1181.  
 Bagels and sandwiches.  
 \*Jewel, 1210 N. Clark, 944-6950. Groceries.  
 Kona Provision Company, Illinois Center. Excellent coffees.  
 Konditorei, Swissotel. Excellent bakery.  
 Special Chicon V menu will be offered.  
 La Misada, Hyatt Regency. Glatt Kosher. Excellent Sunday brunch.  
 Land of Plenty, Swissotel. American cuisine, fine dining.  
 Open Fri, Mon, closed Sat-Sun.  
 Lan's River North Restaurant, 660 N. Orleans, 943-5267.  
 Mandarin & Szechuan Chinese. Frequented by fanzine editors.  
 La Prima, Illinois Center. Pasta.  
 Lawry's the Prime Rib, 100 E. Ontario, 787-5000. Prime rib.  
 \*L'Escargot, 2925 N. Halsted, 525-5522. French.  
 \*Le Francais, 269 S. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling, (708) 541-7470  
 Very expensive but primo quality French.  
 Mallers Bldg. Coffee Shop, 5 S. Wabash, 263-7696. Kosher.  
 \*Mandar Inn, 2249 S. Wentworth (Chinatown), 842-4014. Chinese.  
 \*Maple Tree Inn, 10730 S. Western, 239-3688, 5-9:30 M-R, 5-10:30 Cajun.  
 Mareva's, 1250 N. Milwaukee, 227-4000. Polish.  
 Mario's, 1070 W. Taylor. Italian lemonade.  
 McDonald's. See Rock and Roll McDonald's, below. Also:  
 36 W. Randolph, 263-9011.  
 10 E. Chicago, 649-9262  
 201 N. Clark, 263-0400.  
 600 N. Clark, 664-7940 (rock & roll!).  
 Me and Mrs. Lee, 230 N. Michigan, 855-0990.  
 Fast food Chinese and vegetarian.  
 Metropole, Fairmont Hotel. Soup, sandwiches.  
 Mr. Beef on Orleans, 666 N. Orleans, 337-8500. Italian beef.  
 Miller's Pub, 134 S. Wabash, 645-5377. Steaks.  
 Morton's, 1050 N. State, 266-4820. Steaks.  
 Moosehead Bar & Grill, 240 E. Ontario, 649-9113. Sandwiches, steaks, some Cajun.  
 \*Moscow at Night, 3058 W. Peterson, 338-6600. Russian.  
 Mrs. O'Leary's, Hyatt Regency. Good burgers. Saloon atmosphere.  
 Myron's, Illinois Center. Hot dogs.  
 Mystery Cafe, Essex Inn, 800 S. Michigan, 341-1333. \$29-32 + tip.  
 Dinner theatre.  
 Nick's Fishmarket, One First National Plaza, 621-0200. Overpriced seafood. Lots of original Niemanns on the walls, though.  
 The 95th, John Hancock center, 875 N. Michigan, 787-9596.

- Continental, great view.  
 Old Carolina Crab House, 455 E. Illinois (North Pier), 321-8400.  
 Battletech) Seafood.  
 Oriental Express, Illinois Center.  
**Special Chicon V hours To Be Announced.**  
 Original A-1 Border Beanery, North Pier, 644-0300. Tex-Mex.  
 Oxford Bagel Deli, Illinois Center. Bagels.  
**Special Chicon V hours: Thur-Fri 6:30-5, Sat. 10-3**  
 \*Parthenon, 314 S. Halsted, 726-2407. Greek.  
 \*Pasteur, 4759 North Sheridan, 271-6673. Vietnamese.  
 Pizzeria Due, 619 N. Wabash, 943-2400. Pizza.  
 Pizzeria Uno, 29 E. Ohio, 321-1000. Pizza.  
 \*Plaka, 340 S. Halsted, 782-9855. Greek.  
 Popeye's, Illinois Center. Chicken  
**Special Chicon V hours: Thur 10-6, Fri 10-8, Sat 11-8, Sun 12-8.**  
**Special Chicon V prices.**  
 Primavera, Fairmont Hotel. Burgers, entrees. Italian.  
 Ricobene's, 60 E. Lake, 346-1446. Breaded steak sandwiches.  
 River Edge Cafe, on river across from Hyatt.  
 Sandwiches, great view. M-F 11-8, Sat-Sun 11-5.  
 \*Robinson's #1 Ribs, 940 W. Madison, Oak Park, 383-8453. Ribs  
 Rock and Roll McDonald's, 600 N. Clark, 664-7940. 24 hours.  
 \*Rodity's, 222 S. Halsted (Greektown), 454-0800. Greek.  
 Ron of Japan, 230 E. Ontario, 644-6500. Japanese steakhouse.  
 Sayat Nova, 157 E. Ohio, 644-9159. Armenian/Middle Eastern.  
 \*Schulien's, Irving Park Rd. #1 magic bar in Chicago  
 Scoozi's, 410 W. Huron, 943-5900 (arrive EARLY; CROWDED, NO RES!)  
 Italian.  
 Shaw's Crab House, 21 E. Hubbard, 527-2722. Seafood.  
 Sixty-Five, 336 N. Michigan Ave., 372-0306. Chinese.  
 2409 S. Wentworth Ave., 842-6500.  
 Starbuck's, Illinois Center. Coffee.  
 Stetson's, Hyatt Regency Chicago. M-F 11:30am-2pm,  
 7 days 6-10pm. Steakhouse.  
 Steven's Coffee Shop, Illinois Center. **Special Chicon V hours: Thur-Mon 7-3.**  
 Subway, Illinois Center, 819-1041.  
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 Su Casa, 49 E. Ontario, 943-4041. Mexican.  
 Szechwan House, 600 North Michigan, 642-3900. Chinese.  
 Taberna, 303 E. Ohio, 329-0262.  
 Taco Bell, 6 E. Lake, 558-9168. Mexican.  
 Taco Zuma, Illinois Center. Mexican.  
 Tang Dynasty, 100 E. Walton, 664-8688. Chinese.  
 \*Tania's, 2659 N. Milwaukee, 235-7120. Cuban/Spanish.  
 \*Thai Classic, 3332 N. Clark, 404-2000. Thai.  
 \*Thai Touch, 3200 W. Lawrence, 539-5700. Thai.  
 \*Three Happiness, 2130 S. Wentworth Ave., 791-1228. Chinese.  
 smaller one: 209 W. Cermak, 842-1964  
 \*Tommy Gun's Garage, 1239 S. State St., 461-0102, \$25-29. + tip.  
 Dinner theatre.  
 Trattoria No. 10, 10 N. Dearborn, 984-1718. Italian.  
 \*Treasure Island, 1639 N. Wells, 642-1105. Groceries.  
 75 W. Elm, 440-1144.  
 Tropik Sun Fruit & Nut, Illinois Center. Fruits & nuts.  
 \*Twin Anchors, 1655 N. Sedgwick, 266-1616. Ribs.  
 Vie de France, Illinois Center. Sandwiches.  
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 Vista Cafe, Illinois Center. Salad buffet, entrees.  
 Wall Street Deli, Illinois Center. Deli.  
 Warburton's, Illinois Center. Excellent sandwiches.  
 Waterfront, 16 W. Maple St., 943-7494. Overpriced seafood.  
 Wendy's, 700 N. Michigan, 787-4636. Burgers.

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