

Toronto Restaurants, Cafes, Bars and Clubs

Best bet – walk west along Queen St. – as soon as you cross University Avenue you'll start to see places – the choices go on for many blocks. A few options:

- The Queen Mother Café – 208 Queen St. W. (416) 598-4719 (<http://www.queenmothercafe.ca/>)
- Babur Indian Cuisine – 273 Queen St. W. (416) 599-7720 (<http://www.babur.ca/>)
- East! – 240 Queen St. W. (416) 351-3278 – Asian fusion
- Le Select Bistro - 328 Queen St. W. (416) 596-6405 - a Paris-style bistro with an award-winning wine cellar.
- Ackee Tree - 170 Spadina at Queen (416) 866-8730 – Jamaican cuisine
- Cafe Crepe - 246 Queen W (416) 260-1611 – what else – crepes!
- Ginger - 212 Queen W (416) 977-8778 – Pan-Asian, very affordable
- Ho Su - 254 Queen W (416) 848-9456 - Korean
- India Palace - 257 Queen W (416) 593-7272 – Indian (order spicy!)
- The Rivoli - 332 Queen W (416) 596-1908 – café/lounge/performance space/pool hall

Food courts for casual or quick meals:

- The BEST food court in the city is at the Village by the Grange, 109 McCaul Street, between Queen and Dundas Streets, enter from either McCaul or St. Patrick St. It's full of unique eateries that feature every kind of food you can imagine (nary a chain fastfood vendor in sight!) – next to the AGO and OCAD.
- Take the PATH (underground walkways) to one of numerous food courts in the financial district
- Also try the Café in the Square across the street at City Hall
- The Toronto Eaton Centre (Queen and Yonge) has several places to eat, and lots of places to shop, too: <http://www.torontoeatoncentre.com/EN/directory/Pages/StoresByCategory.aspx#10>
- St. Lawrence Market: A little farther away but a wonderful place to visit – a 19th century covered market, with a huge variety of places to eat (don't miss St. Urbain Bagels – real Montreal bagels in Toronto!) – about a half hour walk or 5 minute cab ride: <http://www.stlawrencemarket.com/about/about.html>

This website has a list of restaurants in the vicinity of the Sheraton, each a 5 to 20 minute walk:

http://www.dine.to/toronto_gta_area_entertainment_district_venue_restaurant

There are also many choices in the financial district that starts at Queen and University – explore!

Restaurants by neighbourhood:

For a longer outing, visit one of the neighbourhoods with clusters of restaurants:

- Chinese – Dundas and Spadina is the heart of Chinatown, but it fans out – just walk west from the AGO and you'll find hundreds of restaurants in every price range
- Greek – the Danforth between Broadview and Pape has dozens of Greek restaurants and bakeries – take the subway to Bloor, transfer and go eastbound to Pape and walk
- Italian – “Little Italy” on College St. between Bathurst and Ossington has dozens of Italian restaurants, cafes, lounges, gelateria and bakeries – a short cab ride
- Baldwin Street, just north of Dundas and McCaul. “Nestled between Chinatown, the Ontario College of Art and Design, and the University of Toronto”, Baldwin offers a wide assortment of restaurants and cafes. <http://www.tasteto.com/2007/10/28/globetrotting-on-baldwin-street/>
- Not exactly a ‘neighbourhood’, the beautiful old Fairmont Royal York Hotel has a number of restaurants in every price range – it's at University and Front Streets, about a 15 minute walk (through the underground PATH) or 2 minute cab ride: <http://www.fairmont.com/royalyork/GuestServices/Restaurants/RestaurantsIndex.htm>

You can even relax over a formal Afternoon Tea:

<http://www.fairmont.com/royalyork/GuestServices/Restaurants/AfternoonTea.htm>

Cocktail Hour and Evening Fun

Specialty Spots

- The Academy of Spherical Arts
1 Snooker St. (formerly 38 Hanna Ave.) - too far to walk but only a 10 min. cab ride. Built in a late Victorian factory building, the Academy has several rooms with different themes, a vast beer and alcohol selection (over 600 kinds!), and a champagne lounge!
<http://www.sphericalarts.com/> - and, of course, billiards

- The Bier Market - 58 the Esplanade
Specializing in beer (from 24 countries) paired with Belgian foods:
<http://www.thebiermarkt.com/home.html>

Classy Cocktails

- (Le Meridien) King Edward Hotel – The Consort Bar
37 King St. E. (1/2 mile from Sheraton)
- a beautiful Edwardian hotel with a grand lobby
- The Fairmont Royal York Hotel – The Library Bar
100 Front St. W (Front and University)

Bars, Pubs and Clubs close to our hotel, OCAD and AGO:

- Cameron House - 408 Queen W at Cameron
A dive and an institution with live music.
- Friar & Firkin - 160 John at Queen
- The Rex - 194 Queen W at St. Patrick
Another old institution, with live jazz many nights – very close to the Sheraton
- The Black Swan - 154 Danforth @ Broadview (subway or taxi) (416) 469-0537; Live music every night
- The Village Idiot - 126 McCaul St. (at Dundas Street)
<http://www.villageidiotpub.ca>
- Sin and Redemption - 126 McCaul St. (at Dundas Street)
<http://www.sinandredemption.com/index.php>

Irish Pubs:

- Irish Embassy Pub & Grill - 49 Yonge St. (south of King St.) (416) 866-8282
<http://www.irishembassypub.com>
- Fionn MacCool's Irish Pub - 181 University Ave. (416) 363-1944
<http://university.fionnmaccools.com/>
- The Overdraught - 156 Front St. W (416) 408-3925
<http://www.theoverdraught.ca/pub.htm>
- Dora Keogh Irish Pub - 141 Danforth Ave. (416) 778-1804 (a subway or cab ride away; Celtic music)
<http://allens.to/dora>
- Foggy Dew - 803 King St. W (at Tecumseth) (416) 703-4042
<http://www.foggydew.ca/>

To find food in Toronto by type, area or price, try

<http://www.nowtoronto.com/food/restaurants.cfm> - or - <http://www.torontolife.com/restaurants/>