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# A Neighborhood Guide to Miami's Must-Try Restaurants During Art Basel



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## Downtown & Brickell

### Brickell City Centre

Dubbed the “Manhattan of the South,” Miami’s financial hub is rapidly transforming from a haven of high rises into a place where locals actually want to stay and eat (or drink) once work wraps up. Mary Brickell Village’s chains once dominated the area’s restaurant scene, but that all changed when the \$1.05 billion Brickell City Centre opened last fall. Now you’ll find everything from health food fave [Dr Smood](#) (known for its super food-filled fridges) to [Pubbelly Sushi](#), an offshoot of the original in Sunset Harbour known for classics like buffalo rockshrimp tempura.

### EAST, Miami

After checking out nearby fairs like [Art Miami](#) and [CONTEXT](#), pop into flagship hotel **EAST, Miami**, where Uruguay’s beachfront [Parador La Huella](#) opened up its first Miami outpost, dubbed [Quinto La Huella](#). Here, cuisine centers around the *parrilla*, with local snapper, swordfish and Uruguayan steak served straight off the grill. After dinner, make your way up to the 40<sup>th</sup> floor for skyline views from rooftop bar [Sugar](#), whose menu includes Asian-influenced cocktails tinged with tamarind and Thai chili, as well as local beer-based libations (think Thai twists on a Mexican michelada).

### La Centrale

This December, Tuscan-born Vincenzo Scarmiglia (formerly of Vegas hotspots like [GIADA at The Cromwell](#)) will take the helm as executive chef at Miami’s first-ever Italian food hall, [La Centrale](#). Designed by the man behind legendary food halls like Harrods, the three-story hall will feature 14 eateries ranging from a *mercato* with espresso and mozzarella bars to the Chianti-inspired steakhouse, [Carne](#).