

Intimate Spot With Focus on New York Drinks Opens in Greenpoint



Annicka Restaurant and Bar in Greenpoint, Brooklyn. Devin Yalkin for The New York Times

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LA CENTRALE This is among the first of a flurry of food halls set to open in Miami this year. The Italian theme sprawls over 40,000 square feet on three floors, where the emphasis is on eating, not shopping, though there are some retail components among the 14 different areas laid out in an open plan. Restaurants are dedicated to various Italian regions and categories of food, including seafood and meat. Except for a chocolatier and gelateria, run by an outside vendor, they're all managed in-house. The managing partners are Jacopo Giustiniani, who owns the Felice wine bars in New York, and Matthias Kiehm, whose résumé includes the Harrods food hall in London. The chef is Vincenzo Scarmiglia, who worked for many years at Italian restaurants in Las Vegas. Customers can request recipes served in the restaurants and come away with the necessary ingredients. (Friday): 701 South Miami Avenue, Miami, 305-720-2401 lacentralemiami.com.

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