

The best restaurants for fine dining on Long Island: Our picks for 2016

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Bay Shore was the big winner in 2016's fine-dining sweepstakes. The Lake House moved to glorious new quarters on the water, and the vacated building was promptly taken over by Aria Melanie. Smack between the two, Salt & Barrel opened its doors, along with abundant oysters and clams.

Up in Oyster Bay, two ambitious Italian restaurants, Autentico and Osteria Leana, are working to revitalize the village's long-standing dining slump. Port Washington, a town that's well served by sushi, now has another great outlet, Nikkei of Peru, while Roslyn finally got a fine restaurant, Gatsby's Landing, that's not Greek. Steaks got a Greek spin at The BBG in Williston Park, and an Italian twist at Primi Italian Steakhouse in West Islip. And in Huntington, the dazzling New American Jema tests the sophistication of Long Island diners.

Here are this year's top fine dining picks.

7. Gatsby's Landing



(Credit: Daniel Brennan)

Gatsby's Landing (1362 Old Northern Blvd., Roslyn): Glenn and Danai Falcone opened this impressive neighborhood restaurant as an homage to “The Great Gatsby,” in a restaurant overlooking the Roslyn duck pond. The place has enticed the crowd with tasteful décor and a menu that includes very fresh seafood starters, of-the-moment salads and pastas that haven’t hit mainstream — such as the corkscrew-shaped Sicilian busiate, tubelike paccheri from Campania, Roman tonnarelli and chitarra from Lazio. Among entrees, brick chicken, flattened by the cooking method and with a crisp skin that protects flavor. Juicy meat and lamb chops wear a char and rosy interior. Another entree, caramelized scallops, encircle a pile of matchsticks cut from tart apples and pickled hen-of-the-woods mushrooms. Noise levels are high.

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Cacio e pepe pasta with spaghetti, pecorino romano and mint served at Gatsby's Landing in Roslyn.