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# CGL

## West Loop

### *Girls Trip*

### Arrival Day

- **Check in to the hotel**

- ★ [The Hoxton](#)

- [IG: @thehoxtonhotel](#)

- The Hoxton has the perfect location in the West Loop. With multiple restaurants, a rooftop bar and pool, and a gorgeous lobby, every detail in the guest rooms and hallways speaks to customer service and style.



The Hoxton

- **Cocktails at the Hotel Rooftop Bar**

- ★ [Cabra \(Peruvian-inspired\)](#)

- [IG: @cabrachicago](#)

- Also has food if you don't want to leave the hotel.

- **Short Walk to Dinner**

- ★ [The Oakville Grill & Cellar \(American\)](#)

- [IG: @theoakvillechicago](#)

- New "Lettuce Entertain You" restaurant that has the largest California wine collection in Chicago.

- ★ [La Josie \(Mexican\)](#)

- [IG: @ajosiechicago](#)

- Love their drinks, too!

- ★ [Green Street Smoked Meats \(BBQ\)](#)

- [IG: @greenstreetsmokedmeats](#)

- This area, called Gin Alley, is great for pics.



La Josie

### Day One

#### • Coffee, Breakfast, Brunch

- ★ [Cira \(Breakfast, Full Coffee Bar\)](#)  
[IG: @cirachicago](#)  
Restaurant in Hoxton Hotel, carryout or room service.
- ★ [Bandit Brunch \(American\)](#)  
[IG: @banditliquors](#)  
Bottomless mimosas.

#### • Activities & Outings

##### → Shopping

- ★ [Uncommon James](#) [IG: @uncommonjames](#)
  - ★ [Smitten](#) [IG: @smittenboutiqueshop](#)
  - ★ [Fig Tree](#) [IG: @thefigtreechicago](#)
  - ★ [Tribeca](#) [IG: @tribecaboutique](#)
- These boutiques feature jewelry, clothing, home goods, gifts, etc.

##### → Beauty

- ★ [Face Foundrie](#)  
[IG: @facefoundrie](#)  
Amazing for facials!
- ★ [Scratch Goods](#)  
[IG: @scratchgoods](#)  
Make-your-own facial mask workshop.
- ★ [Legendary Spa](#)  
[IG: @you.are.legendary](#)  
Best gel overlay manicures, but book early!

#### • Lunch & Snacks

- ★ [J.P. Graziano Grocery \(Italian Sub Shop\)](#)  
[IG: @jpgraziano](#)  
Sandwiches, soups, desserts. The Mr. G sub is recommended.
- ★ [Foxtrot Market](#)  
[IG: @foxtrotmarket](#)  
Boutique corner store with a small cafe. Use our discount for \$10 off your first delivery to the hotel: CHIGOODLIFE
- ★ [Publican Quality Meats \(Deli\)](#)  
[IG: @PublicanQualityMeats](#)  
Freshly made bread and hand cut meats, sit down for lunch or grab a sandwich to-go.



Bandit



Face Foundrie

## Day One, Cont'd

### • Dinner

- ★ [Monteverde \(Italian\)](#)  
[IG: @monteverdechi](#)  
Fine dining by Chef Sarah Grueneberg.
- ★ [Lyra \(Greek\)](#)  
[IG: @lyragreek](#)  
Mykonos vibe, Greek with a scene.
- ★ [El Che \(Steakhouse\)](#)  
[IG: @ElCheChicago](#)  
For all the meat lovers! This is a take on a modern Argentinian Steakhouse. Shareable dishes.

### • Drinks

- ★ [Lazy Bird](#)  
[IG: @lazybirdchicago](#)  
Intimate cocktail lounge inside The Hoxton.
- ★ [Moneygun](#)  
[IG: @MoneyGunChicago](#)  
Creative, classic cocktails. No reservations, so go early!



Monteverde

## Day Two

### • Coffee, Breakfast, Brunch

- ★ [Good Ambler](#)  
[IG: @goodambler](#)  
Coffee and pastries in a modern yet cozy space.
- ★ [Joe's Imports \(Wine bar, Mediterranean\)](#)  
[IG: @joesimports](#)  
The whipped ricotta is game-changing!

### • Activities & Outings

- ★ [Juice @ 1340 BWS](#)  
[IG: @juice\\_1340](#)  
This Black-owned wine shop is the best! Do a wine tasting, learn from the head Sommelier, and get some of your faves to go!
- ★ [Gateway to the West Loop Food Tour](#)  
[IG: @chicagofoodtours](#)  
Sample curated food and drinks from a variety of restaurants while a city guide educates and entertains you with stories about the neighborhood.



Good Ambler

### Day Two, Cont'd

#### • Lunch & Snacks

★ [Alla Vita \(Italian\)](#)

IG: [@allavitachicago](#)

Alla Vita has an absolutely gorgeous interior with a prix fixe Mon-Fri lunch special. You have to try the vodka rigatoni!

★ [Time Out Market](#)

IG: [@timeoutmarketchicago](#)

An expansive space featuring a rotating list of Chicago's best eats. There's a bar with a happy hour! The rooftop all-season bar has great views of the city open on the weekends.

#### • Dinner

★ [Trivoli Tavern \(American\)](#)

IG: [@TrivoliTavern](#)

I would start here before going out for the evening! Book reservations in advance! Also in Gin Alley.

★ [Aba \(Mediterranean\)](#)

IG: [@abarestaurant](#)

Amazing ambiance. Try the pita, short-rib hummus, whipped feta, and brussels sprouts. Book reservations in advance!

#### • Drinks

★ [Punchbowl Social](#)

IG: [@punchbowlchicago](#)

Bowling, games, craft cocktails, and snacks. Fun for big groups!

★ [Tabu](#)

IG: [@TabuChicago](#)

They have a huge rooftop with gorgeous views of the city.

★ [The Pearl Club](#)

IG: [@thepearlclubchicago](#)

One of the neighborhood's newest bars, with swanky speakeasy vibes and great service.



Trivoli Tavern



Punchbowl Social