What To Do In Minneapolis!

Places to eat. There are many restaurants in the area. These are a few of the known best.

- Many restaurants listed are walkable from the conference hotel and the Nicollet Island Pavilion.
- All are less than a 2-mile drive.
- * = Advanced Reservations Highly Recommended. (Now is not too soon!)

Nicollet Island Inn*
- Consistently named the “Most Romantic”, “Best Hotel Dining”, and “Best View” https://www.nicolletislandinn.com/restaurant

St. Anthony Main Area – Walk (or drive) NE across the Mississippi River via the Hennepin Avenue Bridge
- Aster Café*
Located under the trees on the prettiest street in Minneapolis. Overlooking the mighty Mississippi river and the skyline of the city, the Aster is a candle-lit restaurant-bar with a sweet European patio. Our menu is fresh (no deep fryers!) and inventive.

- [https://astercafe.com/](https://astercafe.com/)

- **Jefe Urban Cuchina**
  - Mexican street food, tacos, and especiales.
  - [https://jefeminneapolis.com/](https://jefeminneapolis.com/)

- **Kramarczuks Sausage Company (and bakery!**)
  - A taste of Europe.
  - Market, European bakery, and diner style restaurant
  - [https://kramarczuks.com/](https://kramarczuks.com/)

- **Young Joni**
  - Eclectic genre-bending menu with a variety of meat and vegetarian options with an Asian influence as well as signature pizzas and other wood-fired dishes.
  - James Beard Award for “Best Chef Midwest.”
  - [https://www.youngjoni.com/](https://www.youngjoni.com/)

**North Loop area**

- **Spoon and Stable**
  - Located in what was once a horse stable, dating back to 1906, in the heart of the North Loop Neighborhood. It is the dream of Chef/Owner Gavin Kaysen, a James Beard award-winning chef to bring his talents back home to Minneapolis, where he grew up. The cuisine is focused on the seasonality of the Midwest, the roots of the local culture and technically inspired by the French cuisine for which Chef Kaysen is known.

- **Bar La Grassa**
  - An Italian restaurant by James Beard Award-winning chef Isaac Becker
  - [https://www.barlagrassa.com/](https://www.barlagrassa.com/)

- **Spyhouse Coffee**
  - Farm direct coffee sourcing with a focus on environmental and societal sustainability.
  - [https://spyhousecoffee.com/pages/north-loop](https://spyhousecoffee.com/pages/north-loop)

- **Inbound Brew Co.**
  - Local brewery with more than 30 craft beers as well as non-beer options
  - [https://inboundbrew.co/inbound-brewco-taproom](https://inboundbrew.co/inbound-brewco-taproom)
• 112 Eatery*
  o Another winning restaurant from James Beard Award-winning chef Isaac Becker
    ▪ A varied menu of comfort foods and dishes you’d never dream of but can’t wait to try.
    ▪ Trivia Fact: Dr. Duxbury’s oldest daughter worked here for several years.
    ▪ [https://www.112eatery.com/](https://www.112eatery.com/)

**Things to Do:**

1. Walk or Bike for miles along the Mississippi on the Great River Road
   o [https://www.mnmississippiriver.com/](https://www.mnmississippiriver.com/)
2. Watch the Minnesota Twins play against the New York Yankees.
   o Triple header with games at 6:05 pm on June 4, 5 and 6.
   o [Twins Tickets Here](https://www.twinsbaseball.com/tickets) (also available through other ticket sources)
3. Enjoy a play at the great Guthrie Theater.
4. Walk or bike around one of Minneapolis’s many city lakes – or kayak, canoe or paddleboard IN one! (Rentals available on site.)
   o Lake Harriet
   o [https://www.minneapolisparks.org/parks-destinations/parks-lakes/lake_harriet_park/](https://www.minneapolisparks.org/parks-destinations/parks-lakes/lake_harriet_park/)
   o Make it a picnic or light dinner by the lake.
     ▪ Bread and Pickle – serves locally farmed and sustainably source picnic foods + beer and wine + free wifi
     ▪ [https://www.breadandpickle.com/](https://www.breadandpickle.com/)