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# Surfing the Northwest

From Westport to La Push



# EASTSIDE.

## POWER LUNCHES *get the meal and deal*

Google. Expedia. Microsoft. Technology giants have become the business focus on the Eastside, but the truth is people have been doing business here for a very long time. So where do they go to broker deals or develop corporate strategies? With the opening of El Gaucho in downtown Bellevue and its lunch offering, many have been saying that the power lunch has finally made a return. Or maybe it really never left. >>

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*Oven-Roasted Tomato Flatbread*



take a seat, we'll  
be here a while

If you're looking to take your time with lunch, you may want to take a look at these restaurants:

*Seastar Restaurant and Raw Bar, Bellevue*

Food: American  
Check out the Raw Bar for some unique cuisine options; private banquet facilities available.  
seastarrestaurant.com

*Purple Cafe and Wine Bar, Kirkland and Woodinville*

Food: American  
Delicious artisan cheeses, small plates, salads, sandwiches, pizzas, entrees and desserts fill this menu; catering available.  
thepurplecafe.com

*Maggiano's Little Italy, Bellevue*

Food: Italian  
This popular Italian chain is the perfect stop for a nice lunch meeting, or they can come to you; catering and banquet space available.  
maggianos.com

*The Basking Frog, Woodinville*

Food: American  
Attached to the beautiful Willows Lodge, this restaurant offers delicious sandwiches and entrees; meeting and banquet space at the Lodge.  
willowslodge.com/culinary

*O/8 Seafood Grill*

Food: American  
Fresh, local seafood and meats highlight this menu; private dining and catering available.  
08seafoodgrill.com

*Monsoon East, Bellevue*

Food: Vietnamese  
Stretch your food palate here with modern twists to classic East Asian cuisine; private dining available.  
monsoonrestaurants.com

*Pearl, Bellevue*

Food: American  
This hip, urban eatery is located right next to the Westin Bellevue, and is perfect for the business traveler; private dining available.  
pearlbellevue.com