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# HAPPY HOUR HAUNTS



PB&J&B  
Sliders (\$3)

## LOT NO. 3

*Bellevue, lotno3.com*

Lot No. 3 is a cool blend of retro and modern. Served in stylish martini glasses, you'll swoon over classic cocktails such as The Manhattan and Jack Rose (\$7). Snazzy comfort food includes PB&J&B sliders (\$3) — warm peanut butter and jelly sandwiches jazzed up with bacon — or head straight for the bacon and order a sweet-and-salty side of the regular or candied version (\$1 per slice). **HAPPY HOUR** Daily, 3pm-6pm. 460 106th Ave. N.E.

## Good Food, Drinks & Prices

BY DEANNA DUFF

**Stimulate your taste buds** and save your wallet by indulging in some of the Eastside's best happy hours. With everything from gourmet fare to comforting classics, vegetarian options, desserts, and a slew of cocktails, wines and beers, there is something for everyone and every budget.

### TRELLIS

*Kirkland, heathmankirkland.com*

Who wouldn't be smitten with "Crush Hour" at Trellis? Small plates are half price and range from foodie fare like snails Bourgogne (\$6) and crispy pig ear (\$10) to elevated classics such as barbecue ribs (\$5) and green globe artichoke tots (\$4). Cocktails are \$3 off including the Pear Necessity. A perennial favorite, it is sweet and citrusy thanks to Absolut pear vodka, lemon, pineapple and honey syrup (\$7). **CRUSH HOUR** Daily, 4pm-6pm. Bar, lounge and patio. 220 Kirkland Ave. at the Heathman Hotel.

### MONSOON EAST

*Bellevue, monsoonrestaurants.com*

The Vietnamese-inspired menu has something for everyone — including the legendary drunken chicken wings (\$7). Vegetarians are particularly well-served with options such as the papaya salad (\$5), Daikon cakes (\$5) and crispy veggie rolls (\$7). For a wake-me-up, the White Lion cocktail is infused with Thai chili peppers and rimmed with paprika (\$7). **HAPPY HOUR** Sunday-Thursday, 3pm to close. Friday and Saturday, 3pm-6pm and 10pm to close. Bar only, 21 and over. 10245 Main Street.

### FIRESIDE CELLARS

*Woodinville, willowslodge.com*

Warm yourself from the inside out with new, seasonal cocktails such as the spiced appletini — apple juice, vanilla vodka and allspice (\$5.50). The Barrel Aged Batch Cocktail menu, launched in October, features local distillery Woodinville Whiskey Company and cocktails such as the Whiskey Manhattan and Hanky Panky (\$6.50). And don't forget to eat — the Grand Mariner prawns are a sure bet (\$6). **HAPPY HOUR** Monday-Friday, 4pm-6:30 pm and Monday-Thursday, 9pm-11pm. 14580 NE 145th St. at Willows Lodge.

### STOPSKY'S DELICATESSEN

*Mercer Island, stopskysdelicatessen.com*

This Jewish delicatessen offers Old-World food that is "tradition, updated." Their recently introduced Nosh Hour is an affordable introduction to a rotating selection of seasonal plates such as house-made pickles (\$3), meaty sweet potato fries with finger-licking good paprika aioli (\$3) and generous plates of crisp fried smelt (\$6). You'll feel right at home sitting beneath the walls of family photos. **NOSH HOUR** Daily, 4pm-6pm. 3016 78th Ave SE. >>