



CHICAGO

## DIY COCKTAILS ON DEMAND

One of River North's hippest boutique hotels just launched a hot new amenity, allowing guests to play bartender from the comfort of their rooms. The Godfrey Hotel Chicago's all-season rooftop bar and restaurant, I/O Godfrey, is famous for its creative kitchen cocktails—containing up to 16 ingredients and thoughtfully crafted by mixology-trained chefs. Now, two signature drinks—a chef's margarita and a manhattan with burnt orange marmalade and spicy cinnamon bitters—can be ordered via room service with labeled ingredients, barware, and a recipe for boozy perfection. Or, just head to the open air to sip (we still give good rooftop in November, folks)! **127 West Huron Street, godfreyhotelchicago.com**



## AMBITIOUS APOTHECARY

Merz Apothecary, founded in 1875, is Chicago's oldest pharmacy, and now the newly opened Shops at Merz, adjacent to the original, has become a one-stop location for all-natural beauty, fragrance, and men's grooming products. The three-stores-in-one concept capitalizes on the strongest growing product categories in personal care, with natural skincare and cosmetic products for ingredient-conscious customers and an independent perfumery to find a signature scent. Q Brother's men's shop, meanwhile, is home to one of the country's best selections of products addressing shaving, beard, mustache, and men's skincare. **4718 North Lincoln Avenue, merzapothecary.com**

Swissôtel Chicago is celebrating 30 years with a new Vitality Suite designed to help travelers revitalize body, mind, and spirit. The specialty accommodation includes a spacious private gym with a Peloton bike, water rower, and a Wellbeing Wall exclusively designed for Swissôtel. A custom workout can be followed via a digital trainer on screen, so even the busiest executive can squeeze in a five-minute session. The refreshment center is stocked with healthy snacks, and exclusive in-room dishes include foraged mushroom cassoulet, avocado tofu timbale, and gochujang salmon with kimchi zoodles. Personalized soaking bath amenities and unique pillows stuffed with spelt or Swiss stone pine shavings round out the offerings. Chicago is the first property outside Switzerland to introduce this suite, and it's unlike anything else in town. **323 East Upper Wacker Drive, swissotel.com/hotels/chicago**



## A MULTI-LAYERED GIFT

Chicago's favorite chocolate maker, Katrina Markoff, founder of Vosges Haut-Chocolat (four retail locations in the metro area), has unveiled a new Vosges (RED) holiday box just in time for gifting. Featuring nine bonbons designed to be savored alongside Champagne (though Chardonnay and bourbon will do nicely, thank you), 20% of the \$32 purchase goes to (RED), a nonprofit organization that fights AIDS both at home and in hard-hit areas in Africa. For those who just can't wait to pair, there's also a Krug Champagne Brut Grande Cuvée and nine-piece truffle set for \$295. [vosgeschocolate.com](http://vosgeschocolate.com)

