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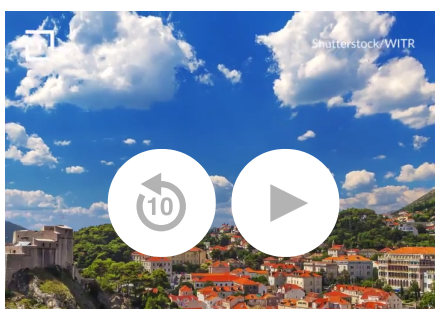
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Milwaukeeans love brunch so much that we brunch every day of the week. Sure, we might be more inclined to indulge in a few Bloody Marys or mimosas on weekends, but the most popular breakfast-brunch- and lunch-only spots are crowded even during the week -- and the fact that we have so many probably says a lot in itself. With so many brunching options to choose from, we've cherry-picked the best of the bunch for you.

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The latest hipster hangout is in one of the new North End buildings along the river just north of downtown. Birch + Butcher is a restaurant, and as the name implies, a butcher shop/deli/cafe combo. On Sundays, the space becomes an inviting spot for a cozy, meat-heavy brunch; hot ham and rolls are local tradition, but you can try something a little more hearty like the cassoulet with duck, pork, poached egg, and chicken liver mousse. Avocado toast gets a boost from red beets and caraway, while waffles go upscale with trout roe and crème fraîche.

SABROSA CAFE & GALLERY

BAY VIEW

Artsy cafe with hearty breakfast and brunch

Sabrosa serves breakfast and brunch dishes as cheery as its artistic decor. Years ago, owner Frank Sanchez also owned Taqueria Azteca just down the street, and a few favorite dishes have made the jump to the new spot, like enchiladas verdes; other dishes run the gamut from a shrimp and grits scramble to Frankie's benediction, a Benedict-like stack of French toast, ham, eggs and dijon hollandaise. If you're lucky, you'll visit when Sanchez's partner, Florentine Opera pianist Ruben Piirainen, is playing on the baby grand.