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## STEPPING UP *to the* PLATE

**Boston Mayor Tom  
Menino Dishes about  
Restaurant Week**

### So Many Restaurants, So Little Time...

**B**oston is absolutely packed with marvelous restaurants of every designation—yet most Hub residents and visitors only sample a fraction of them because they're intimidated by the wide range of exotic options on the menu or afraid that dinner for two will cost the same as a mid-priced luxury sedan.

Consider both problems solved with the arrival of the semi-annual culinary extravaganza that is **Boston Restaurant Week**. For a limited time, more than 125 of the city's top restaurants—from long-established favorites like No. 9 Park, Terramia and Radius to sensations like Om, Marco and Tresca—will be offering three-course prix-fixe menus for just \$20.06 at lunch and \$30.06 at dinner. This great deal is intended to give lovers of fine food and aspiring gourmands a chance to experience restaurants they might normally shy away from trying, while also celebrating the great diversity of flavors to be found on Boston's restaurant scene.

Boston Restaurant Week itself is a bit of a misnomer this time around, as this summer's event has been expanded to two weeks—**August 13–18 and 20–25**. Reservations are filling up fast, so visit [www.restaurantweekboston.com](http://www.restaurantweekboston.com) for a complete list of participating spots, and start planning your journey through Boston's best (and suddenly most affordable) restaurants!

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