

Where to eat



Art Kitchen and Bar



Te Aro



Rashes



Queen Margherita Pizza

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has made a name for itself on bacon and peameal sammies. **Belmonte Raw** (1022 Queen East, at Boston, 647-340-1218, belmonteraw.com) brings in healthy eaters looking to get their greens in the form of fresh juices and lunch boxes (or saté sugo cravings with rich little carob trifles).

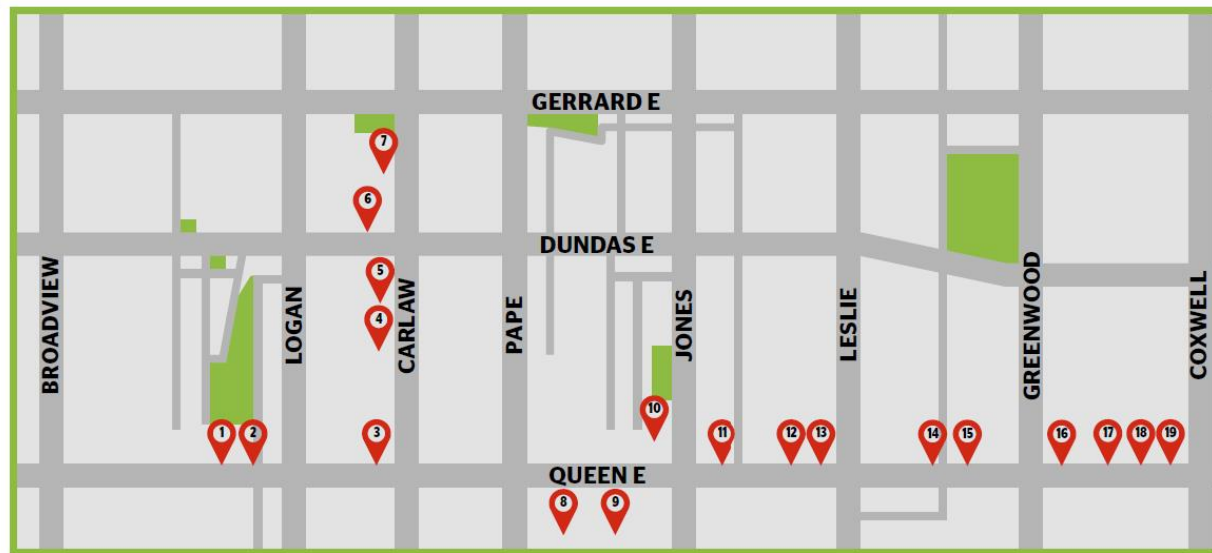
Leslieville is one of the most cafenated neighbourhoods in Toronto, with **Remarkable Bean** (1103 Queen East, at Caroline, 416-461-9111), **Tango Palace** (1156 Queen East, at Jones, 416-465-8085) and **Te Aro** (983 Queen East, at Booth, 416-465-2006, pilotcoffeebar.com) all within a few short blocks of one another.

A few savvy bars have also blended that relaxed coffee-shop vibe with the need for a convenient local watering hole. **Boxcar Social** (4 Boulton, at Clark, 647-344-4530, boxcarsocial.ca), which recently expanded from Rosedale into Riverside, shows off roasts from outside the GTA by day, and wine, beer and whisky by night. Further east, **Crate** (1402 Queen East, at Greenwood, 647-352-1402, crateronto.com) is a cafe offering brews

and sandwiches by day and cocktails, tapas and beer come happy hour.

Not content to dominate when it comes to brunch and coffee, Leslieville is also an ideal spot for date-night dining. Celebrate Lynn Crawford's **Ruby Watchco** (730 Queen East, at Broadview, 416-465-0100, rubywatchco.ca) is still held in high regard for its nightly chef's menus of seasonal cuisine. **Tablù** (810 Queen East, at Boulton, 416-465-2500, tablu.ca) presents some of the city's best Middle Eastern food in a cozy, intimate environment, and **Eastside Social** (1008 Queen East, at Boston, 416-461-5663, eastside-social.ca) aims to give a modern twist to Maritime cuisine.

For a more laid-back (but no less worthy) dining experience, there's the original location of **Queen Margherita Pizza** (1402 Queen East, at Vancouver, 416-466-6555, queenmargheritapizza.ca), whose Neapolitan pies can now be found all over the city, or **Art Kitchen and Bar** (686 Queen East, at Broadview, 647-346-1541, artbar.com) for barbecue and hip cocktails (smoked peach bourbon lemonade, anyone?) that you can enjoy late into the night. ☺



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