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HOT NEW TABLES OCTOBER 2015: NEW RESTAURANTS IN **SINGAPORE**



In this month's edition of Hot New Tables: 5th Quarter, Grain Traders, WKKE, Maggie Joan's, Labyrnith, Raven, and more











Restaurants are popping out like babies in Singapore, and it's no different this month of October. Bring out of towners to this modern Chinese restaurants or have a fancy (but affordable) meal at a fine contemporary grill specialising in cured meat; sink your teeth into Hong Kong's best burger joints and grab a wholesome lunch at CBD's coolest spot. Choices are aplenty!

5th Ouarter

Unlisted Collection has done it again with 5th Quarter. Partnering with W Hotel's former chef de cuisine Drew Nocente, the 70-seater, meat-crazed communal restaurant brings more than just good cuts of meat to the table. Instead, each dish is prepared exquisitely using different elements such as curing, fermenting, smoking, and pickling. Start the meal with the Chef Selection of 5 Types of Charcuterie (S\$18); the cold meat platter includes a good selection of house-made cured meat, a Pâté or Terrine, and one Rillette. Other must try includes the indulgently-sinful Salt 'n' Pepper Tripe (\$12) that's lightly season with sze chuan pepper as well as the mouth-watering, grass-fed short ribs (\$36) that was smoked for eight-hours, followed by a 48-hour sous-vide treatment – the meat was so tender, my steak knife glided through it like it was just butter. 5th Quarter, 39 Syed Alwi Road, Singapore 207630, p. 6291 1936. Open Tue-Sun, 12pm-2:30pm, 6:30 pm-10:30 pm.

LOKKEE

Inspired by founder Norman Hartono love for Chinese take-out dishes during his time in California, Tung Lok's newest venture LOKKE gives a playful spin to classic Chinese dishes that will please both traditionalists and modern Chinese eaters alike. Highly recommended is the Firecracker Chicken



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