



TOP CHEF CONTESTANT OPENING ITALIAN RESTAURANT IN D.C.'S CHINATOWN

In late April look for a new entry in D.C.'s happening Chinatown restaurant scene. **Top Chef contestant and former executive chef of Jose Andres' Zaytinya Mike Isabella** will open an Italian-inspired restaurant with a charcuterie bar and a wood-fired oven. He will serve seasonal, artisanal pizzas and small plates that recall the food he grew up eating in his grandmother's New Jersey kitchen. The wine list will feature Virginia labels, including Middleburg's **Boxwood Estate Winery** owned by the family of the late Jack Kent Cooke. The two-story restaurant will seat 150, with an additional 15 at the bar where prosecco will be served straight from the tap.

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