

HOT RESTAURANTS

Attention, foodies! Add these gustatory bastions and new sensations to your to-do list. Gentlemen, and ladies, start your forks.

BERNARDS INN (Bernardsville) Now in its centennial year, this mission-style inn has kept pace with the ever-rising sophistication of the Somerset Hills. After buying the inn a little over a year ago, John Hanson and his siblings (who live locally and also own the nearby Station Pub & Grub) have invested heavily to restore it. The redesign by Jeff Haines (of Butler's of Far Hills) has raised the interior to a new level of comfort and style. Executive chef Corey Heyer, sommelier Terri Baldwin, and a friendly service staff provide the continuity that makes the new trappings meaningful.

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