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La Ferme's sidecar (and nine other cocktails to try)



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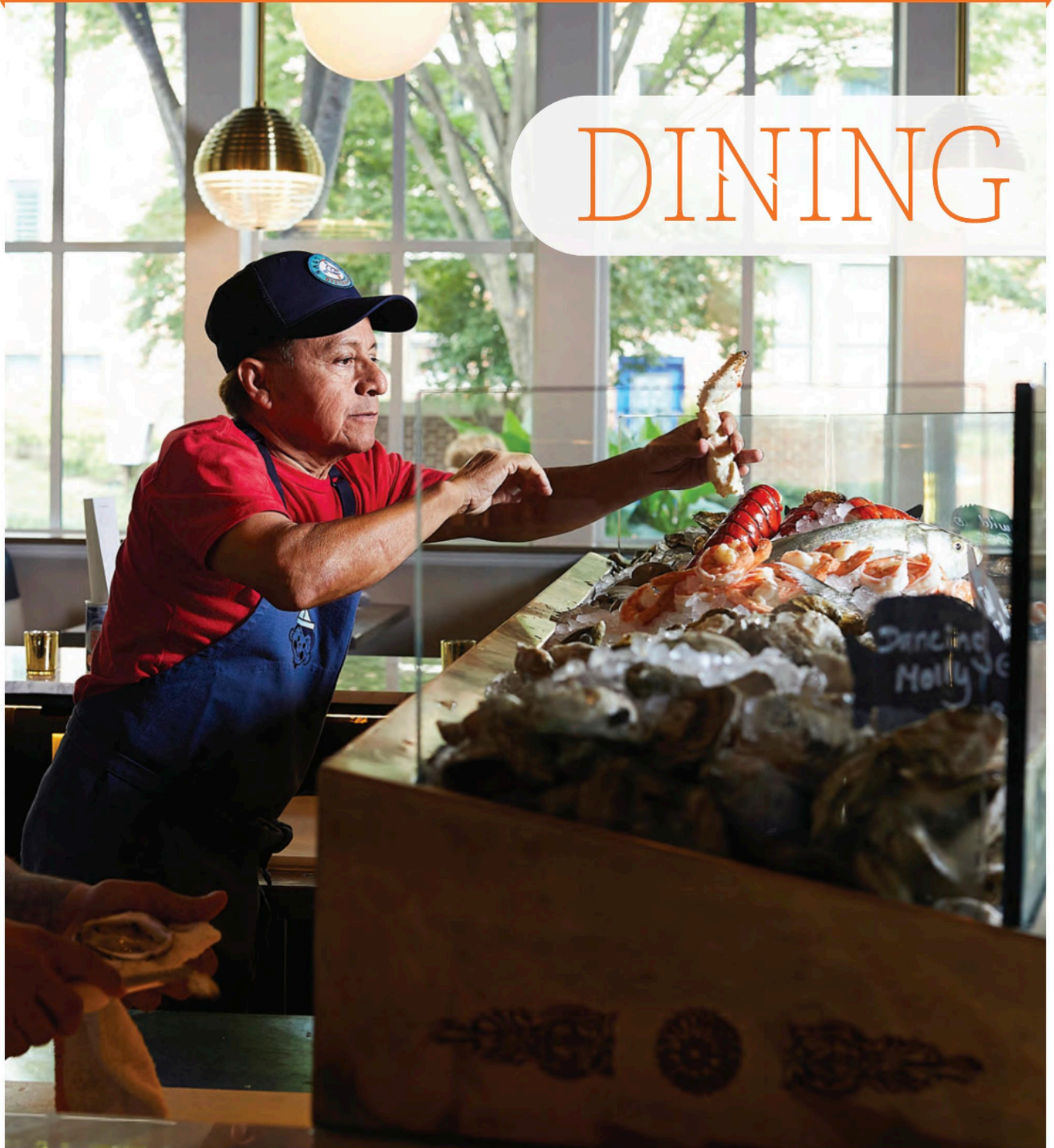


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Oscar Munoz tends to the seafood at the raw bar at The Salt Line. [PAGE 100](#)



# 10 Seasonal Sippers

Ward off any chill with these of-the-moment cocktails

BY JACQUELINE MENDELSON

- 1 **COCTEL DE ALGARROBINA** *WHAT* Pisco, algarrobina syrup, cream, egg white, cinnamon *WHY* This carob concoction akin to eggnog is typically served on Christmas in Peru; why not celebrate early? *WHERE* *La Canela*, 141-D Gibbs St., Rockville
- 2 **ANTIPASTI DIRTY MARTINI** *WHAT* House tomato gin, basil, olive brine, mozzarella, cherry tomato, Castelvetro olive *WHY* Order a pair of these savory coupes to accompany Caruso's antipasti for two. *WHERE* *Caruso's Grocery*, 11820 Trade St. (Pike & Rose), North Bethesda
- 3 **SIDE CAR** *WHAT* Courvoisier VS cognac, Grand Marnier, lemon, simple syrup *WHY* This sweet winter sipper is just as enticing as its summer sister, the margarita. *WHERE* *La Ferme*, 7101 Brookville Road, Chevy Chase
- 4 **SPICED PEAR MARGARITA** *WHAT* Bozal mezcal, housemade pear puree, ginger syrup, agave, lime *WHY* Lick the cinnamon sugar rim before slurping down this smoky yet sweet elixir. *WHERE* *Gringos & Mariachis*, 4928 Cordell Ave., Bethesda; 12435 Park Potomac Ave., Potomac
- 5 **BULL IN A CHINA SHOP** *WHAT* Tito's vodka, chamomile tea, agave, honey-lemon ginger simple syrup, mint *WHY* A calming citrus cocktail to warm you (and your throat). *WHERE* *Hawkers*, 7117 Bethesda Lane, Bethesda
- 6 **SMOKE FASHIONED** *WHAT* McClintock Bootjack rye, Angostura bitters, honey maple syrup, orange, applewood smoke *WHY* Watching this old fashioned get smoked tableside is as alluring as the drink itself. *WHERE* *J. Hollinger's Waterman's Chophouse*, 8606 Colesville Road, Silver Spring
- 7 **THE BOUBOULINA** *WHAT* Illegal Joven mezcal, roasted beets, lime, ginger honey syrup, fennel *WHY* A bright beet blend that's sweet and earthy enough to appeal to even the most modest of mezcal drinkers. *WHERE* *Melina*, 905 Rose Ave. (Pike & Rose), North Bethesda
- 8 **PUMPKIN SPICE WHITE RUSSIAN** *WHAT* Vodka, Kahlúa, pumpkin spice liqueur, cream *WHY* Keep the Thanksgiving vibes going all season with this spiced dessert of a drink. *WHERE* *Old Angler's Inn*, 10801 MacArthur Blvd., Potomac
- 9 **GRAY WOLF RYE WHISKEY** *WHAT* A Maryland-made take on a classic *WHY* Order it neat, on the rocks or in a cocktail; whichever, you'll appreciate this spirit's warm notes of cinnamon, vanilla and oak. *WHERE* *Quarry House Tavern*, 8401 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring
- 10 **SPRITZLER** *WHAT* Aperitivo Cappelletti, sparkling wine, housemade grapefruit cordial, soda, Alpino bitters *WHY* This herbal spritz served with a lemon wheel and olive comes with major après-ski vibes. *WHERE* *The Girl & The Vine*, 7071 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park

