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West Ave., a Gables development

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Set at the crossroads of Upper Kirby and River Oaks, Houston's much-anticipated **West Ave** development is really starting to fill out. The mixed-use center—which blends luxury residences and 190,000-square-feet of retail space—recently welcomed Austin-based **Eddie V's**, **Ivory Bridal** and **Bang & Olufsen** to the 'hood, but it's just the beginning.

In early 2011, the legendary Schiller-Del Grande Group opened **American** and Mediterranean-minded **Ava Kitchen** and opened casually-cool **Pizzeria Alto** in May.

Restaurateur Anita Jaisinghani (of **Indika** fame) opened her family-style Indian restaurant, **Pondicheri**, in March, and Mickey Rosmarin debuted his 35,000-square-foot fashion mainstay, **Tootsies**, in February. **Cru Wine Bar** opened in June, and **Azur West**, the first of three **Shu Uemura** Art of Hair Sanctuary Salons in the U.S., opened in March.

Blow dry-only salon **The Do Bar** opened in July and 5,000-square-foot upscale gastrolounge **Saint Genevieve** and upscale men's boutiques **Q Custom Clothier** and **Rye51** opened in September.

Others tenants on the West Ave horizon:

- **Katsuya** by S+ARCK

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