

## Neighbourhood vibe at Morris East

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### Morris East

5212 Morris Street, Halifax  
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[www.morriseast.com](http://www.morriseast.com)

**Signature Drink:** Classic Martini (\$9)

**Signature Dish:** Sweet Fennel Sausage Pizza (\$18)

**Rating:** \*\*\*\*

**Dinner & drinks for 2:** \$60

The south end is the heart of Halifax hospitality, and a perfect place to enjoy that great neighbourhood vibe is Morris East.

The soiree began with strips of flatbread served with a delectable duo of rich and evenly seasoned Portobello and Red Pepper dips (\$8). A trio of well-salted Shandaph Oysters (\$9) went down better than expected.

Wood-Oven Pizza is the real-deal here; the thin crust lightly baked over fruitwood. The Roasted Chicken Pizza (\$17) was plump with Portobello mushroom, apple, lemon and arugula.

The Sweet Fennel Sausage Pizza (\$18) was equally savory, spotted with bacon, red pepper and shallots — all melted into a mouthwatering mozzarella. Make sure to try the house Chili oil as an accompaniment.

A Caramel Apple Tart (\$6) was just the stuff for my post-pizza sweet-tooth, although I am told the Smore (\$6) with home-made marshmallow is magnificent.

Service was impeccable, and the atmosphere lends itself well to cozy conversation; I chatted up some lovely folks at the table next to mine like they were longtime friends.

Morris East has just launched its Happy Hour, an inviting 60 minutes of cocktails, wine and imaginative foods which gives you another good reason to meet the neighbours.

### Dining out

#### Literary Eats

Jodi Bartlett has put together an interesting combination at the Halifax Club — food and books. Starting Wednesday, Oct. 28, the historic hall will begin hosting twice-monthly Literary Luncheons, featuring two hours of gourmet meals and author readings, panel discussion and audience Q&A. The inaugural event features Donna Morrissey, Ami McKay and Lesley Crewe. Tickets are \$17 and can be obtained at [halifaxclub.ns.ca](http://halifaxclub.ns.ca)

#### Chives Special

As if the menu alone wasn't enough to visit Chives Canadian Bistro on Barrington Street, chef Craig Flinn has just sweetened the pot by offering a fixed price special between 5 and 6:30 p.m. each day. \$35 will get you a choice of appetizer, main course and dessert.

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Roasted Chicken Pizza (\$17)