

The 11 Most Iconic Summer Experiences In Chicago

As summertime returns to the Windy City, make the most of the season with iconic experiences that promise adventure, sunshine and unforgettable memories. Whether you're gliding through the heart of downtown in a kayak, cheering on the Cubs at Wrigley Field, or savoring farm-fresh finds at Green City Market, these quintessential Chicago outings capture the spirit of summer at its finest.

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Snag a Seat at Cindy's Rooftop

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No bad views when the ever-changing blues of Lake Michigan and beyond are your backdrop. ✨

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Situated on the 13th floor of the Chicago Athletic Association hotel, this Windy City institution has remained an all-seasons fave for over a decade, capturing sweeping views of Lake Michigan and Millennium Park. Grab a seat under the opulent glass atrium and indulge in tempting libations (the orange and blackberry-infused Chi Shandy Shake and the rum-spiked Island Time, to name a few) and tasty bites like dressed Beau Soleil oysters, lobster rolls, steak frites and more. *12 S. Michigan Ave.*