

The North Shore Weekend

"The love of lonely people is the most authentic there can be. They love you by choice, not by necessity."
— Charles Bukowski

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Chef **GAVIN FINE** developed a passion for the culinary world as a young boy growing up in Chicago. While he was raised on the north side of Chicago, his connection to the North Shore grew stronger when his father moved to Evanston, where he lived for several years. After working for Rich Melman's restaurant group, Lettuce Entertain You, he followed his passion to Cornell University and then to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. While his visions of becoming a ski bum never fully materialized, he gained invaluable restaurant experience working in nearly every role from front-of-house to back-of-house. In 2001, Gavin joined forces with friend and business partner Roger Freedman to open Rendezvous Bistro, the first in a series of successful ventures. His culinary empire now includes Bistro Catering, Il Villaggio Osteria, The Kitchen, Bin22, Bodega, Roadhouse Pub & Eatery, The Bistro, Melvin Taproom & Kitchen, and Code Red. Beyond restaurants, he has launched two retail concepts, Bovine & Swine, and Cream + Sugar, and co-founded Roadhouse Brewing Co., whose craft brews recently made their debut in Chicago. This entrepreneurial chef takes a moment between openings to share how he stays current in a busy world.



#ON MY NIGHTSTAND

Right now, I'm reading two books for two entirely different reasons. *The House in the Cerulean Sea* is what I'm reading when I want to get lost in a book. *White Indian Boy: My Life Among the Shosbones* is the other—it's the story of Elijah Nick Wilson, an interesting figure in American history who also went on to form the town of Wilson, where I live in Jackson Hole. He's a commonly referenced person around this area and I wanted to learn more about who he was and why he did the things he did.

#ON MY MOBILE

Last summer I couldn't get enough of the Olympics. On a regular basis I follow European soccer, the Cubs, Bears, Blackhawks, and, of course, all things food.

#IN MY EARBUDS

So many things! Podcast-wise I listen to *SmartLess*, *Hidden Brain*, and *The Daily*. For music, I'm listening to Metallica, Pearl Jam, Coldplay (the live last tour), Bob Marley, Mumford & Sons, Ben Harper, and Yo-Yo Ma.

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