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Giro d'Italia, Toronto's premiere Italian restaurant festival, returns this spring April 4 – 14

TORONTO, March XX, 2019 — Toronto culinary festival Giro d'Italia, presented by American Express, returns for 2019 with a *primavera* celebration of Italian cuisine. From Thursday, April 4 to Sunday, April 14, twenty of Toronto's top Italian restaurants will offer prix fixe dining menus corresponding to a region of Italy. The annual festival will now, for the first time, include dining experiences that represent all of Italy's regional offerings, from Sicily to Friuli Venezia-Giulia.

Early reservations are available **Thursday, March 28 through Sunday, March 31** for American Express cardmembers. General public reservations begin **Monday, April 1** through girotoronto.ca.

"American Express is proud to partner with Giro d'Italia again for its third year; the culinary tour presents a rare opportunity for Torontonians to learn about the many influences of regional Italian cuisine and reflects our dedication for cultivating truly special dining experiences for Amex Cardmembers" - Tina Santoro, Director, Advertising, Entertainment & Lifestyle Marketing, American Express

Giro d'Italia guests will enjoy a 4-course regional dinner menu including antipasto, primo, secondo, and dolce for \$52. Select participating restaurants will also offer a 3-course regional lunch menu for \$32.

Participating Restaurants:

20 x 20: Twenty restaurants featuring twenty diverse regional Italian cuisines

ARDO (243 King St E)	X	Valle d'Aosta
Aria (25 York St)	X	Emilia-Romagna
Ascari Enoteca (1111 Queen St E)	X	Liguria
Bricco (3047 Dundas St W)	X	Veneto
Campagnolo (832 Dundas St. W)	X	Sardegna
Cantina Mercato (20 Wellington St. E)	X	Abruzzo
Coppi (3363 Yonge St)	X	Lombardia
Cucinato (1338 Lansdowne Ave)	X	Puglia
Enoteca Sociale (1288 Dundas St W)	X	Piemonte
Local Kitchen (1710 Queen St W)	X	Molise
L'Unità (134 Avenue Rd)	X	Trentino-Alto Adige
Noce (875 Queen St. W)	X	Basilicata
Paese (3827 Bathurst St)	X	Sicilia
Parcheggio (2901 Bayview Ave)	X	Friuli Venezia-Giulia
Quanto Basta (1112 Yonge St)	X	Toscana
Tutti Matti (364 Adelaide St W)	X	Campania



Ufficio (1214 Dundas St W)	X	Umbria
Viaggio (1727 Dundas St W)	X	Lazio
Zucca (2150 Yonge St)	X	Calabria

ABOUT GIRO D'ITALIA TORONTO

First introduced in 2017, Giro d'Italia brings together Toronto's best Italian restaurants for a 10-day culinary journey of Italy. Highlighting the various regions of Italy, Giro d'Italia is more than a concept; it's a culinary passport that transports diners from Toronto to Italy. Giro d'Italia's Toronto springtime festival runs from April 4 - 14, 2019. Visit girotoronto.ca or follow [@girotoronto](https://twitter.com/girotoronto).

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