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Call it the Upper *Best Side* once summer comes calling: This stretch of the UWS helps New Yorkers beat the heat with an abundance of parks and culture.



RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

BAR BOULUD
Taking its cues from Lincoln Center across the street, Daniel Boulud's casual French bistro puts on quite a show. The script is dominated by artisanal cheeses and house-made charcuterie, and the set includes a long vaulted ceiling reminiscent of a wine cellar, a nod to the restaurant's star—the wine list, featuring around 500 selections. 1900 Broadway, 212-595-0303; danielnyc.com

ED'S CHOWDER HOUSE
For those painful moments between trips to the East End (called weekdays), there's this raw bar and restaurant, a collaboration between expert seafood chef Ed Brown and expert restaurateur Jeffrey Chodorow. The eponymous chowder comes in various forms, all gloriously overindulgent. 44 W. 63rd St., 212-956-1288; chinagrillmgt.com

JEAN-GEORGES
They say 13 is an unlucky number, but after that many years this holy temple of haute cuisine (which has a four-star *New York Times* review under its belt) is still as dazzling as ever, just like its Columbus Circle digs. 1 Central Park West, 212-299-3900; jean-georges.com



RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

SESSANTA
This luxury rental complex has no trouble courting tenants: Just off its private English garden is a lighted tennis court. But if your game is more *nada* than Nadal, the resort lifestyle continues indoors with a swimming pool, sauna and fully equipped fitness center. 229 W. 60th St., 212-204-0060; sessanta60.com



THE CORNER AT 200 WEST
Who says getting cornered is a bad thing? This brand-new building has a striking curved façade of floor-to-ceiling glass rising 20 stories above a buzzing Broadway intersection, giving its 196 rental apartments wide-open views. Features include an Andrés Escobar-designed lobby (dominated by a 1,754-crystal chandelier), condolike luxury finishes and a 10,000-square-foot landscaped roof terrace with a sundeck for heating up and a misting wall for cooling down. 200 W. 72nd St., 212-721-1200; 200west72.com