



# food drink happy hour by tammy sproule kaplan

# C'MON GET HAPPY



Que hosts two-a-day happy hours every day of the week

#### THE MEAL

High-end meals are an investment, so any time you can enjoy happy-hour prices at fine dining restaurants like Saffron, it's a win-win. The Middle Eastern fusion restaurant has a \$3.50 food menu weekdays (4-6 p.m.) and weekend late nights (11 p.m.-1 a.m.). Mini lamb BLTs, kofta meatballs and Moroccanmarinade charmoula burgers are among the tasty marvels. Halfprice bottles of wine on Mondays sweeten the deal, if your week is going that badly already. 123 N. 3rd St., Mpls.; 612.746.5533; saffronmpls.com

## THE DRINKS

Clearly Rudolphs Bar-B-Que strikes a chord with the happyhour crowd, because the bar is almost always elbow to elbow. The deals come around twice a day here (Sunday-Friday 4-7 p.m., Saturday 4-6 p.m. and every day 10 p.m.-close), and highlights include two-for-one well drinks, wine and tap beer, cheap appetizers like mini tacos, pulled pork sandwiches and wings, and discounted margaritas, martinis and Bloody Marys. The ribs may be full price, but they're good for soaking up alcohol, so order up a rack with a side of the legendary coleslaw and fries. 1933 Lyndale Ave. S., Mpls.; 612.871.8969; rudolphsribs.com

## THE CLUB

Revolt against the standard happy hour with a little salsa, merengue, cumbia, bachata, bolero and reggaeton. No matter which style of Latin music you prefer, Conga Latin Bistro offers it up live and lively. Likewise, the cocktail menu pleases anyone with a hankering for Latin-inspired libations, with outstanding mojitos, Cuba libres and more, at two-for-one prices, along with tap beers (weekdays 5-7 p.m.). While you're at it, nosh on halfprice appetizers like empanadas, croquetas and tacos. 501 E. Hennepin Ave., Mpls.; 612.331.3360; congabistro.com