

Ill Forks Steakhouse
333 East Benton Place, Chicago, IL



Client: Consolidated Restaurant Operations
Architect: Weiss Architects
Role: General Contractor

Opening to the public in early October 2011, the build-out of this 3-story, 16,000 SF restaurant and roof-top garden in Chicago's rapidly developing Lakeshore East Neighborhood was a welcome addition to the city's restaurant scene.

With six other locations in Texas and Florida, Ill Forks Steakhouse has perfected the fusion of great food, great service and a great atmosphere.

The restaurant is located in the Village Market Center and features high end finishes, including walnut millwork and marble accents.

A steel and glass staircase with leather-wrapped handrails leads

guests to a rooftop deck. Elegant trellises with lush plantings highlight the space, softening the surrounding urban landscape. The deck offers unsurpassed views of Lakeshore East Park and the surrounding skyline. ICI completed the project in a highly aggressive schedule.

The surrounding retail complex, developed by Magellan, is designed to seek LEED® Silver Certification and plans include a 15,000 green roof, dedicated space for bicycle storage, preferred parking for alternative and fuel-efficient vehicles, and high efficiency window systems and plumbing fixtures.



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