



A rendering of STK opening in Atlanta

Up the STKs

We're calling it. This sexy steakhouse will be *the* place for Atlantans to meat and mingle. | *By Hope S. Philbrick* |

Since it first opened in New York City's Meatpacking District five years ago, **STK** has also sizzled in Miami, Los Angeles and Las Vegas. The newest location will open its doors shortly after Thanksgiving in a 12,000-square-foot, two-level space near the Loews Hotel Atlanta in Midtown.

The concept reinterprets the traditional American steakhouse from a female perspective. It's where the grill and dance party collide. Order steaks

in three sizes, along with sharable sides like Parmesan truffle fries, creative salads like pear and endive, and raw oysters in a high-energy environment where a DJ plays '80s and '90s mashups. Sip sophisticated cocktails with inventive names like "Dirty Pearls" and "Tea Time Fix Up."

The ONE Group already has a second Atlanta restaurant in the works. **Cucina Asellina**, modeled after New York's Ristorante Asellina but conceived as smaller will open early 2012.

The chef had not been named officially yet for STK, but "it will be someone local," says Devon Mosley, national director of marketing at The ONE Group. Rather than one grand opening extravaganza, expect STK to host several smaller, opening events. *1075 Peachtree St. NE, STKhouse.com*