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■ establishments around town. But don't tell that to the aged Mr. Chow refugees congregating at [Philippe](#), in midtown. The dish to get here is the golden-skinned, almost goose-size Peking duck, which is carved tableside by elderly gentlemen wearing little plastic gloves and is almost worth its \$65 (for two) sticker price. [Chinatown Brasserie](#), on Lafayette Street, is the newest pseudo-Chinatown hangout for downtown hipsters as well as the current home of the Hong Kong dim-sum prodigy Joe Ng. The talented Mr. Ng turns out over 150 varieties of dumplings (try the shrimp-and-snow-pea dumplings and the little pouches of translucent rice-paper skin stuffed with shrimp and Chinese chives), plus a fine bowl of wonton soup, which you can enjoy as you watch the restaurant's resident Koi fish glide to and fro amid the nightclub gloom.

Whenever my Sinophile father craves a proper Chinese banquet, I tell him to gather ten of his food-scholar friends, and call [Shun Lee West](#), where Michael Tong's lavish new special-order Shanghainese feast

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