HUGO TEA

BUCKTOWN, CHICAGO

This space is our love letter to tea.

Everything we do here is in the service of tea leaves.

The hallmark of that service is what we call "tea sessions".

Modeled on gong fu cha ("tea with effort"), we serve you tea with a modern take on traditional methods—the way it's been served to us in tea houses and on our partner farms across Asia.

For over a decade we've been direct-buying tea leaves from our friends across the producing regions of the world.

These are people we know—and each year, we make a point to visit them.

They're forward-thinking, sustainability-minded, and take enormous pride in their craft.

Here, we serve their best efforts to you with "yong xin"—using heart.

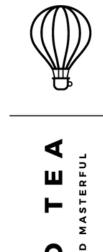
Your teatenders are experts.

They have an intimate understanding of tea, and are here to share their knowledge. Feel welcome to ask for recommendations; they will guide you with care.

Please read, chat, work—whatever you'd like—as we keep the tea flowing.

Thank you for supporting small tea producing families, and our vision of a fully transparent, accessible North American tea culture.





SIT-DOWN SESSIONS

Wait to be seated—a teatender will be right with you.

INDIVIDUAL TEA SESSION		14
A personal gongfu session led by a teatender. One tea—unlimited steeps.		
add pairing plate, a curated selection of small bites		+13
"tea switch" – swap tea and start new session		+7
SHARED TEA SESSION Flight of three gongfu sessions led by a teatender.		
	For two For three For four	48 58 68
add pairing plate, a curated selection of small bites (priced per person)		+13
COLD BREW FLIGHT		13



TO-GO MENU

Our limited seating is reserved for in-house sessions and private tastings only.

TEA hot 12 oz | iced 16 oz

LOOSE LEAF TEA Whole leaf tea steeped fresh. (See tea list below.) MATCHA AMERICANO Nagasaki matcha with water. COLD BREW Tea steeped overnight. Rotating selections.

TEA LATTES hot 12 oz | iced 16 oz

MATCHA	6.50
2.5 grams matcha whisked to order with milk.	
HOUJICHA	6.50
Roasted green tea powder whisked to order with milk.	
CHAI	6.50
House-steeped chai with milk.	
ROSE	6.50
Whole roses steeped to order with milk.	

MILK OPTIONS SYRUP OPTIONS | oat | Maple

| macadamia | almond

TEA LIST

This is our current roster of teas and tisanes.

The lineup rotates with the seasons, reflecting the best efforts of our producers at the moment. Choose one to start your session. Take your time—there's no rush.

Unsure? Ask your teatender for a recommendation.

Tap any tea for origin info, notes on production, and other details.

GREEN

JASMINE BAI HAO - Guangxi, China | white flowers, riesling grapes, soft
SESSION LONGJING - Xinchang, China | white rice, cashew milk, mellow
KABUSE HOUJICHA - Uji, Japan | soba, butterscotch, toasted

KYOBANCHA NAKAI - Uji, Japan | campfire, burnt sugar, smoked

WHITE

MA WEI MOONLIGHT - Yunnan, China | gardenia, pancake syrup, viscous
MA WEI NEEDLES - Yunnan, China | agave nectar, ripe peach, thick
PRATHAMA - Phidim, Nepal | red plum, white flower, fresh

OOLONG

CHAMPAGNE LONG KOU - Guangxi, China | rose water, fruit punch, juicy
PANLAN QUE SHE - Wuyi, China | ore, raisin, rocky
PANLAN BEI DOU - Yong'an, China | ruby chocolate, spring water, elegant

BLACK

GAO WEN - Yunnan, China | milk chocolate, tobacco, bold
ZI RAN SMOKE - Tongmu, China | pine smoke, date, coating
HUGO GREY - Yunnan, China | grapefruit pith, peat, vibrant
ZI RAN RED - Tongmu, China | raisin, mulling spices, full

TISANE

UI'S BROWN RICE - Uji, Japan | popcorn, breakfast cereal, toasted

ROSE - Anhui, China | red flowers, rosé, sweet

CHRYS - Wuyuan, China | honeycomb, sesame, medicinal

FYN ROOIBOS - Fynbos, South Africa | dried fig, vanilla pod, tea-like

RAINIER - Trout Lake, Washington | menthol, wintergreen, brisk

BOUQUET - Mixed | pollen, granny smith, lush

 $\textbf{TEA FLOWER} \quad \textit{-} \quad \textit{Phidim, Nepal} \mid \textit{red plum, white flower, fresh}$

MATCHA

MATCHA SONOGI - Nagasaki, Japan | mizuna, anko, brothy
MATCHA WAZUKA - Uji, Japan | wagashi, MSG, buttery



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FOOD, ETC.

All selections prepared by Chicago makers.

MANGO MOUSSE CAKE by Silom 12. Orange-mango preserve, mango mousse, vanilla-orange sponge.	6.50
SPARKLING WATER by Open Water. Sparkling mineral water.	2
PAIRING PLATE by SuperHai, FTH, Silom 12. Curated selection of small bites.	13