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2017 DINING AWARDS

1921 by Norman Van Aken

142 E 4th Ave.

Mount Dora, FL 32751

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The concept of "Best Restaurant" demands considering every part of the experience—food, service, environment, the sights and sounds and feel of the place—along with the skill and passion of the chef. At this time, nobody is getting the combination as right as 1921. Developed from the mind of James

Beard Award-winner Norman Van Aken and led by the astounding talent of Chef de Cuisine Camilo Velasco (left), 1921 wears its sophisticated interiors and furnishings courtesy of the neighboring Modernism Museum like a beloved and well-tailored jacket: comfortable, with no artifice. The menu, hyper-local and hyper-seasonal, ranges from happy hour burgers and Sunday seafood boils to Peruvian tiradito and spiny lobster and rock shrimp dumplings. Known for antiquing and historic homes, Mount Dora is an unlikely setting for a restaurant from "the father of New World cuisine," yet seems a logical progression for Van Aken.

Additional Information:

Rank: Critic's Pick **Located In:** Mount Dora

Critic's Pick: Best Restaurant