



# THE LOCAL

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*Jacksonville, Florida*



## RIVER CITY, DARING AND DELICIOUS

To experience a meal (starting with a plate of briny oysters of course) at Moxie Kitchen + Cocktails is to experience Jacksonville: urban sophistication meets friendly familiarity. Mentor to many and friend to all, Chef Tom Gray made the surprising decision to open his new venture surrounded by an enormous highway-side mall. With exquisite details, superior service, and exemplary food, he is infiltrating the landscape of ubiquitous consumerism with a shot of utter individuality. And we respect him all the more for it. Gray is a humble trailblazer who is emblematic of the Jacksonville dining scene. How so? Well, because he's got moxie of course.

