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## 4th & Swift

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### **An instant classic lands in the little 'hood that could.**

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#### **In Short**

Hidden in the back pocket of the Old 4th Ward, this former Southern Dairies engine room is a charming backdrop for comfort-guru Jay Swift's namesake restaurant. Worn brick walls are cooled with industrial elements and striking white tones. An original dairy valve, brightly painted fire-engine red, is the lone splash of color. Rathbuns-like simplicity works itself into the farm-fresh menu, a one sheet of specials stacked atop a page of seasonal items. Light and loosely put together, the appetizer lasagna is accented by shredded lamb shoulder and housemade ricotta. The fun-to-say, fun-to-eat "Three Little Pigs" entree is a trio of swine staples: medium-rare tenderloin, handmade sausage and buttery-soft belly. A comforting side of mac and cheese is dusted with cracker crumbs and sneaks goat cheese in the mix for added bite. Well beyond their youthful complexion, the service is prompt and knows its food-obsessed audience, suggesting the right dessert (creme puffs) right on cue.