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## Get out of downtown and into Chicago's unique neighborhoods

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### WHERE TO STAY

When exploring Chicago neighborhoods, you can stay either in the city, soaking in all the city has to offer and staying at hotels with history and character, but with that come the prices, the traffic and the parking hassles. Another option is to stay in the near suburbs. What you sacrifice in terms of trendiness and excitement of the big city, you make up for in price and convenience, especially, for St. Louisans, if you stay on the southwest side of the city.

### The Talbott

**20 East Delaware Place, Chicago; 1-312-944-4970; [jdvhotels.com/chicago/the-talbott](http://jdvhotels.com/chicago/the-talbott)**

The boutique hotel was renovated and reopened early this summer. The biggest change is the new bar and restaurant area, 20 East. And both drinks and food are worth a stop even if you aren't staying here. The new décor looks modern yet evokes an old-world feel. The biggest plus here is that the rooms are large. For downtown Chicago, they are downright huge at 403 square feet for the deluxe double queen we were in. Our room had a view of only a brick wall on the building next to us, and we struggled to get the air conditioning working, but the staff was outstanding, and the hotel allows (and welcomes) pets. Rates start at \$177.65; parking is extra.