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## Illinois Office of Tourism Adds 42 New Makers to Illinois Made Program

**CHICAGO** – Illinois Office of Tourism is excited to announce the latest makers to join the Illinois Made program. From craft brewers, distilleries and vineyards to artisan chocolate shops, bakeries and coffee roasters, these 42 small businesses are a key component to driving visitors to Illinois.

“We know today’s travelers crave authentic experiences they can’t find anywhere else and that is what Illinois Made is all about,” said Cory Jobe, director of the Illinois Office of Tourism. “This latest group of artisans, creators and small businesses will only add to the success of Illinois Made and will continue driving tourism to our state.”

Research shows the Illinois Made advertising campaign had a direct impact on tourism, generating nearly 21,000 hotel bookings and \$7.5 million in tourism spending, from March 1 to July 31, 2017. In fact, every dollar invested in the Illinois Made campaign returned \$18.25 in state tax revenue, helping grow Illinois’ economy.

Launched last summer, Illinois Made spotlights the people, products and experiences unique to Illinois and inspires travelers to explore off the beaten path destinations around the state.

- To learn more about the latest makers go to [EnjoyIllinois.com/IllinoisMade](http://EnjoyIllinois.com/IllinoisMade)
- To download photos [click here](#)
- To submit a business to be included in Illinois Made [click here](#)

### Latest makers to join the Illinois Made program:

#### Chicago

Vice District Brewing, South Loop

Café Tola, Lakeview

Forbidden Root, Ukrainian Village



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Ipsento Coffee, Bucktown  
Margie's Candies, Bucktown  
Piece Brewery & Pizza, Wicker Park  
Katherine Anne Confections, Logan Square  
KOVAL Distillery, Ravenswood

**Chicago Suburbs**

All Chocolate Kitchen, Geneva  
Savory Crust, Morton Grove  
Tighthead Brewing Company, Mundelein  
Copper Fiddle Distillery, Lake Zurich  
North Shore Distillery, Libertyville

**North Shore/Evanston**

Hewn Bakery, Evanston  
Few Spirits, Evanston

**Chicago Southland/Bourbonnais**

Frankfort Spirits, Frankfort  
Homewood Bat, Homewood  
Lotton Art Glass, Crete  
Brickstone Brewery, Bourbonnais

**Northwest Illinois/Rockford**

Anderson's Candy Shop, Richmond  
Whiskey Acres, DeKalb  
Jonamac Orchard, Malta  
Ethereal Confectionary, Woodstock



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**Starved Rock Country**

Tangled Roots Brewing Co., Ottawa  
Illinois Sparkling Co., Utica

**Champaign-Urbana/Bloomington-Normal**

Alto Vineyards, Alto Pass & Champaign  
Great Pumpkin Patch, Arthur  
Flesor's Candy Kitchen, Tuscola  
Ropp Farm, Normal  
Kilgus Farmstead, Fairbury  
Prairie Fire Glass, Monticello  
Sleep Creek Vineyards, Fairmount

**Springfield**

Maldaner's, Springfield  
Pease's Candy, Springfield  
Cocoa Blue Chocolates, Rochester & Springfield  
Sangamon Reclaimed, Springfield  
Danenberger Family Vineyards, New Berlin

**Peoria/Quincy**

J.K. Williams Distilling Co., Peoria  
thirty-thirty Coffee Co., Peoria  
Nauvoo Mill & Bakery, Nauvoo

**Southern Illinois**

Dinger Bats, Ridgway  
St. Nicholas Brewing, Du Quoin  
Alto Vineyards, Alto Pass



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