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Delightful Pastries Comes to Old Town...with Chocolate



The second outpost of [Delightful Pastries](#), Dobra Bielinski and Stasia Hawyrszczuk's European-inspired enterprise, opened in Old Town last Friday. Unlike the Jefferson Park location, the Old Town space is a cafe that is at once expansive and cozy. It already seemed, early on Sunday morning, to be part of the morning routine of people from the neighborhood who settled in for pastry and coffee with their families and newspapers.

One of the most notable additions to Delightful Pastries' offerings with the new store is an array of hand-crafted chocolate confections. All made from Callebaut chocolate, opening weekend selections included dark chocolate pistachio cherry bark, milk chocolate salted almond bark, milk chocolate passion fruit apricot truffles and Swiss Rockers (milk chocolate hazelnut praline truffles). Bielinski will debut additional chocolates in the coming weeks.

Prices for the new confections range from \$20/lb for the bark varieties to \$50/lb for truffles. With Jay Shindler's [Catering & Chocolate](#) immediately next door and [The Fudge Pot](#) down the street, it remains to be seen if there is such a thing as too much chocolate for Old Town. The new Delightful Pastries is at 1710 N. Wells St., 312-255-0724.

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