

San Francisco

MAKING THE **Best** OF '09

Ready or not, the rules for living the good life in the Bay Area have gotten simpler. Be ingenious. Go for value over glitz. Learn to share. In other words, turn lemons into lemonade.

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NEW COMMANDMENTS FOR WHAT TO DO, SEE, AND CELEBRATE NOW
AND LONG AFTER THIS RECESSION ENDS.

Party like it's 1929

MEMORABLE DAYS AND NIGHTS
OF SELF-MEDICATING HEDONISM

Happiest happy hours

If there's one upside to the economic downturn, it's that swanky restaurants usually reserved for the deep-pocketed are slashing their prices for 9-to-5ers. Below, the best happy hours where the better half of a belated lunch and something alcoholic run you \$10 or less.

Don't be afraid to sully the cloth napkins while enjoying **Epic Roasthouse's** confit of six chicken drumettes (hot wings). The peppery sauce is decidedly upscale, the lightly mayo-ed celery-root slaw crisp and fresh. Wash it down with a sazerac (rye, bitters, and Herbsaint—whew!). 369 EMBARCADERO, S.F., 415-369-9955, EPICROASTHOUSE.COM