

## Big in Japan BAR

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Big in Japan BAR opened just a few months ago and it's already the new hot spot in town. I have to say that I'm not a big fan of the Big in Japan restaurant located at the corner of Des Pins but this new project at the corner of Rachel is quite amazing!

First of all, I have to emphasize on how underground it is. Even though I work close to the bar, I have tried many times to locate it without writing down the address with no success.

It was only during La Nuit Blanche that I finally stepped inside, and that, after walking all around the corner for 20 minutes looking for the door based on an online description.



Even after opening the discreet red door, I was doubting if I was really at the right location until I reached the end of the hallway to a gorgeous room full of people getting their drink on. The bar is shaped in a tree with the classy staff working in the middle.

For having traveled to Tokyo a few years ago, I fell in love at first sight and let me explain why. Japanese bars have the habit of selling full whiskey bottles and marking your name down so you can come back and enjoy it until it's done. This is exactly what the new Montreal bar is recreating and people are loving it! Instead of storing them in the wall like I was used to, the bottles are fixed to the ceiling and makes for a beautiful design overall.

Big in Japan BAR offers hard liquor, cocktails, beer, wine and little Asian bites such as Kimchee or Edamame. I drank Whiskey Sours all evening and really enjoyed their version of it but I would love to buy a bottle in the future – as soon as I have more than \$200 to spare!

Try this new bar before it's terrace season, it's definitely worth it!

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The red door next to Patati Patata

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