Iron Chef Morimoto's First West Coast Restaurant Comes Alive in Napa

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Morimoto about to eat his third bowl of ramen at Setagaya in NYC.

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Chef Masaharu Morimoto, who parlayed his *Iron Chef* fame into an American restaurant empire with spots in New York and Philly, is opening Morimoto Napa in the Napa Riverfront complex by the end of next week, as the *Chron*'s Inside Scoop reports. The menu will feature Japanese-sourced fish, locally sourced produce, and dishes like his signature tuna pizza, as well as new ones like sea urchin carbonara (udon, bacon, urchin) and "his twist on fig on a plate," fig tempura (fried figs with peanut butter and foie gras sauce). Early adopters with cash to burn should snag a ticket to the sneak preview this Sunday, which'll run you \$95.