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July 21 (Bloomberg) -- Openings include a 26,000-sq-ft culinary project in Times Square, a Tribeca tavern w/ a chef from STK, a Midtown steakhouse selling true Kobe beef, a Lower East Side bar partly owned by a member of Florence and the Machine and an outdoor lounge at The High Line Hotel.

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212 Steakhouse in Midtown East (now open)

*** 96-seat modern steakhouse is the only authorized restaurant on East Coast to sell true Kobe Beef (only New York member of Kobe Beef Marketing & Distribution Promotion Association)**

*** All steaks are 60%-80% off regular price; Kobe Beef ribeye, striploin and tenderloin are all \$15/oz vs regular price \$45/oz**

*** First restaurant from Nikolay Volper, a financial investor**

*** Chef Christos Kalamvokis was previously at Kellari Taverna in Midtown**

*** Appetizers: Classic or prosciutto burrata; grilled calamari or octopus; pan-seared foie gras w/ fig and port wine sauce**

*** Non-steak options: Five whole grilled fish selections; seafood dishes such as Maine lobster, salmon filet and swordfish kebabs**

*** Wines mostly from U.S. and France; wide selection of signature martinis, scotches, whiskeys and cognacs**

*** Accepts Visa, Mastercard and Discover only**

*** Open Mon.-Thurs. 5pm-11pm, Fri.-Sat. 5pm-11:30pm, Sun. 5pm-11pm**

*** 316 E. 53rd St. b/w First and Second Ave. (previously Brabant Belgian Brasserie); 212-858-0646**

*** Website: <http://bit.ly/U8D0zz>**