

LIFE IN THE FAST LANE

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Gone are the days of smoke-filled bowling alleys that reek of stale beer and offer little else than month-old nachos and regulars who look like The Dude from *The Big Lebowski*.

Enter three hip lanes in Dallas that we don't even mind slipping into someone else's shoes for.



Best Group Date Night Located in Plano off the Tollway and Windhaven, Pinstack is a brand-new, high-tech establishment. While bowling, you can order drinks via iPad from the nearby Bowl Bar's menu of six wines and 24 beers on tap. *Pinstack, 6205 Dallas Pkwy.; 972-781-2695 or pinstackbowl.com*

Best Vintage Bowling A gem in the Design District off Turtle Creek, Bowlounge is a tiny 12-lane ode to vintage bowling (literally--the lanes came from a '60s bowling alley in East Texas). Insider tip: Bowlounge doesn't take reservations; call on your way to get your name on the list and lessen your wait time. *Bowlounge, 127 Turtle Creek Blvd.; 214-741-7737 or bowlounge.com*

Best Refreshments Hidden on the back side of the Shops at Park Lane, Bowl & Barrel is more barrel than bowl with tapped wines, a killer happy hour and truly upscale bowling-alley food. Think giant pretzels served with fondue and burgers made with Wagyu beef. *Bowl & Barrel, 8084 Park Lane, Suite 145; 214-363-2695 or bowlandbarrel.com*