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## The 12 Best Things We Ate This Year (So Far) in the Bay Area

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**Stones Throw's Sweet Corn Soup Why We Love It:** Usually soup doesn't take the spotlight. But when it does, you remember it. Chef Jason Halverson's sweet corn soup (\$12) not only shines with bounty of summer fresh off the cob, it balances that sweetness with a stream of bright red piquillo pepper sauce and cool cream, with grounds of smoky chorizo and scallions adding more flavor and texture. If this weren't notable enough, a doughy corn croquette is like a floating treasure on this lively sea.