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WHERE THE ELITE MEET »

Beyond the unmarked entrance of an elegant Upper East Side town house lies Bruno Jamais (*right*), a French restaurant that transforms into an ultra-sleek late-night lounge and dance club. Inside, provocative photographs of celebrities, cityscapes and cutting-edge cars by Cyrille Margarit adorn the walls, a charming maître d' greets visitors by name and an impressive 3,000-bottle wine cellar—housing international vintages—frames the entryway. At 9 p.m., tables are moved to make way for dancing, as DJs dominate the sound system with disco and Top 40 tunes. (On Tuesdays, a live cabaret takes center stage.) Bottle service is offered, as well as cocktails including the Sexy Back (citrus vodka, Crème de Cassis and sour mix topped with champagne), cheekily named by the mixologist in tribute to the beautiful women who linger here. Crowd: Generation X & Beyond (30+) » **Bruno Jamais Restaurant Club, 24 E. 81st St., 396-3444**

