

Sweet Off the Presses

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Candy is for kids, but what happens when the kid in all of us, with memories of chasing down the neighborhood ice-cream truck for that 25-cent Big League Chew, can't shake the sweet tooth? We have two choices: grabbing a Chunky at the local mini-mart or heading over to the Candy Store, the often-packed, ultramodern, track-lit Russian Hill confectionery that is our source for Fun Dips and Pop Rocks as well as more sophisticated fare. While the Candy Store offers many retro mainstream candies, its specialties tempt more mature palates: martini shakers filled with green and black olive-shaped chocolates, bell-shaped champagne bubble gummies tasting of sweet muscat wine, marzipan-filled pebbles, candy bra-and-panty sets, and Zotter chocolate bars, in flavors ranging from banana curry to caramelized bacon. Yes, a sampling of any of these delicacies will have even sugar-jaded octogenarians squealing with childish glee.

