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PLAY "SPOT CLIVE AND NICOLE": Admit it: That's what we'll all be doing once filming begins on Philip Kaufman's new biopic, *Hemingway and Gellhorn*, starring Owen and Kidman in the title roles. Rumor has it that Bay Area locations will stand in for Key West, Spain, and Cuba. SEE PAGE 50

EATS

Madera

MENLO PARK

Located right across the road from the most renowned venture capital firms in Silicon Valley, this hotel restaurant is as posh and clubby as you'd expect from a place poised to be the offsite executive dining room of high-tech kings. The only surprise is the menu's risky reliance on unusual greens, like stinging nettles and chickweed—plants that some Luddites still consider weeds. The greens star in first-rate dishes such as roasted sablefish with erbette chard, artichokes, cauliflower, and roasted-garlic nage with black-olive oil. For vegetarians, it doesn't get any better than chestnut pappardelle with stinging nettles, delicata squash, wild mushrooms, and black truffles. But the kitchen hasn't realized that there's no profit in adding delicate fruit flavors to these brassy greens: No matter how prime the components, kumquat confit plus duck breast and cavolo nero equals confusion. The service is uneven, but the fat wine list makes fascinating reading. (S.B.) 2825 SAND HILL RD. (AT SHARON PARK DR.), 650-561-1540 \$\$\$\$
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