

Whether you're climbing to the top or sneaking underground, there are plenty of cool and quirky meeting places around the city. Abu Dhabi Week brings you our favourite highs and lows.

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This funky night spot is all about image: hang with the capital's hip young professionals and take in the impressive view or get cosy in the corner and watch the rest of the world fade away into the background.

Location: Aloft Hotel, 30th/Khaleej al Arabi Street next to ADNEC

Contact: 02 654 5000

Blue Line

A romantic spot overlooking Khalidiya, Blue Line is a favourite for couples. Tuck into their extensive menu or just kick back and enjoy the live music. A great place to curl up in a corner and have a private conversation over drinks and nibbles.

Location: Oryx Hotel, 7th/Electra Street

Contact: 02 681 0001

Heroes

One of the oldest sports bars in the capital, the basement pub Heroes continues to satisfy. Most nights, the focus is on the multiple sporting events broadcast on screens around the room, but when the band kicks in, the dance floor is jammed. Go hungry – the menu is full of bits, bites and hearty mains.

Location: Crowne Plaza, 5th/Hamdan Street

Contact: 02 621 0000

Level Lounge

There's roof top, and then there's Level Lounge. What better way to kick off the weekend in the open air than poolside? Chill out to the sounds of local and international DJ's every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night and take in the downtown view.

Location: Crowne Plaza, 5th/Hamdan Street

Contact: 02 621 0000

Thirty 1st Bar and Lounge

Rooftop Thirty 1st Bar and Lounge is already making a name for itself. On the 9th floor of the Holiday Inn Abu Dhabi, Thirty 1st features plenty of beverages and sports on TV in two rooms. Not the biggest meeting spot in Abu Dhabi, but a nice one that's getting some well-deserved attention.

Location: Holiday Inn, corner of 2nd/Airport Rd and 31st Street

Contact: 02 657 8888