

Up All Night

4 New Moscow Clubs to Check Out Now

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Squat 3/4/Facebook

Squat ³⁄₄

Techno in a former bathhouse

Squat ¾ now occupies the building that used to house Central Baths. Moscow's party-goers might remember it as the former location of Masterskaya, with its cheap vodka shots and live gigs. Located in the basement, Squat ¾ is all about gothic interiors and bohemian⊠atmosphere. Apart from regular techno parties and a bar, Squat ¾ houses a Greek cafe, a barber shop and a concept clothing store.

Aglomerat

Techno between concrete walls

Aglomerat is a fairly new addition to Moscow's ever-growing electronic scene. Located in what used to be part of the Mars factory, it's a bare concrete space, the perfect setting for a dystopian film. Aglomerat started by hosting one-off events, like the Moscow Biennale for Young Art opening and a Boiler Room invite-only party (part of a series of DJ parties around the world, broadcast live online), but it has now switched to organizing events with DJs from Russia and abroad.

Untitled

A bar, a club, a gallery – all rolled into one

This bar-cum-gallery tries to emulate a⊠Berlin or Brooklyn atmosphere. The exposed⊠brick interior and minimalist modern furniture⊠serve as a setting for exhibitions and⊠installations. During the week there are public⊠talks and "dinners with artists," Thursday⊠is karaoke night, while Fridays and Saturdays⊠are reserved for dancing. As for the music,⊠anything goes – from trendy electronica to⊠rap to 1990s Russian pop, with songs by Irina⊠Allegrova and Mirazh.⊠When you get hungry after dancing, wolf⊠down a chudu, a type of Dagestani pie with⊠spinach and cheese or ground lamb. The⊠cocktail menu at Untitled was designed by⊠Daniil Fainberg, the popular bartender at⊠Noor Bar – try his sweet and creamy Moscow⊠Beauty à la Crème.

Rabitza

DIY Heaven

Started by a couple of underground electronic Imusic enthusiasts in one of the abandoned industrial spaces in the Baumanskaya Imeighborhood, Rabitza uses the DIY aesthetic I to the full. The club's name is a nod to the space's previous function – manufacturing I engines. When the organizers first looked at the venue they saw a sign reading "Rabitza" I (a type of chain link) and decided this would be the name of the club. The owners reinvested the profits from the first few parties into beautifying the place, buying chairs, potted plants and artworks. The investments paid off: The club only operates on Friday and Saturday nights and the lines to get in snake all around the courtyard and out to the street. Several high-profile parties, including a Boiler Room session, have taken place here.

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