Soup here! Get your soup here!

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As the oldest ballpark in the country debuts its 107th year of baseball, the Red Sox, thoughtfully, have converted all of the ice cream stands in the park to soup stands for the month of April. Here's what else you can expect in the way of new food and beer offerings in and around Fenway Park.

Beer and food
Sam Adams is now the official beer of Fenway, replacing Budweiser, and beers served include Sam Boston Lager, Sam Seasonal Variety, Sam 76, and Rebel IPA. The Right Field Roof Deck is now the Sam Deck with a spacious bar area and a new Sam Adams sign replacing the Budweiser sign. Also, the park's 3rd Base Saloon debuts as Sammy's on 3rd with Sam Adams murals and Sam Adams-branded glassware.

New foods will also join the roster: A seasoned pulled chicken taco trio (braised organic chicken, pico de gallo, pickled slaw, and chipotle sour cream, in flour tortillas); Fenway Taters (Cavendish Farm tater tots topped with bacon bits, sour cream); and, starting on Patriots Day and then served in the Royal Rooters Club during select weekend day games will be crème brûlée French toast (homemade pastry cream and chocolate ganache, Vermont maple syrup, and Fenway Farm strawberry sauce, topped with powdered sugar).

Home base
Spend the night at the Hotel Commonwealth, with rooms that overlook Fenway. New this season is the insider series where you can meet Joe Castiglione, legendary Red Sox announcer, and Jerry Remy, broadcaster and former second baseman. The package with Castiglione begins at $2,985 and includes a meet-and-greet, an announcing lesson for two, accommodations, two parking game tickets, and valet parking. (Part of proceeds are donated to the Red Sox Foundation.)

The package with Remy is $1,469 and includes the meet-and-greet and booth visit, breakfast for two, and overnight stay in a luxury suite. Also new: a Sunday Funday package that includes a Sunday overnight stay, early check-in, brunch, two complimentary bike rentals, and cocktails at The Hawthorne. Rates begin at $699 (www.hotelmcomwealth.com).