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## The breakfast of champions

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**THE LANDED GENTRY:** Christopher Schlank, managing partner, Savanna Fund and Shaun Osher, chief executive officer, Core Group Marketing

**THE POWER RESTAURANT:** Locanda Verde, Greenwich Hotel, 377 Greenwich St.; 212-925-3797

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**THE SETTING:** When the coffee starts flowing, Robert De Niro's buzzy Italian eatery actually has a dreamy quality, with light streaming in through two walls of French windows and the Grateful Dead jamming faintly overhead. Despite the pile of scrumptious goodies from noted pastry chef Karen DeMasco (available to go), deal-making moguls tend to huddle over lighter morning fare.

**THE CROWD:** The TriBeCa locale draws Citigroup execs as well as honchos from local music and film production companies such as Tribeca Film and The Weinstein Company. Desirable tables include several window-adjacent four-tops on the room's left side as well as a long banquette facing the action up front.

**THE DISHES:** \$9 Red Mill organic oatmeal (inset); \$5 grapefruit juice; \$4 coffee

**POWER PLAY-BY-PLAY:** No bacon and eggs for these health-conscious real estate heavyweights, who both ordered oatmeal, subbing fresh berries for the chef's grappa-infused fruit. "The first thing that tells you about a restaurant is the coffee, and the coffee is good," says Osher, who usually kick-starts his day with a glass of warm water with lemon. While hectic schedules generally prohibit dining out in daylight hours, both admitted making headway on their latest project: a 34-unit luxury condo conversion at 141 Fifth Ave. "I like the fact that it's quiet," says Osher. "You can have a conversation and actually hear each other."