



Photo courtesy of The Cupcake Spot

Hey, cupcake

Ice cream, beware: the cupcakes have moved in. **The Cupcake Spot** in South Tampa, founded by former executive Nicole Rogers, sells a delightful selection of these personal-size treats. Cupcake creations include "Chocolate Elvis" (banana cake frosted with peanut-butter buttercream and a dollop of chocolate ganache) and the seductive "Forget Love, I'd Rather Fall in Chocolate" (devil's-food cake frosted with chocolate buttercream). Rogers indulges her customers by using gourmet ingredients, such as Madagascar vanilla, Belgian chocolate, and Florida strawberries. Even brides are jumping into the game by ordering three-tiered cupcake trees instead of regular wedding cakes. Opened in December, the Cupcake Spot sells only cupcakes and offers both eat in and take out. *2401 South Dale Mabry Highway, Suite B, Tampa. 813-258-3111 or www.thecupcakespot.com* **JR**