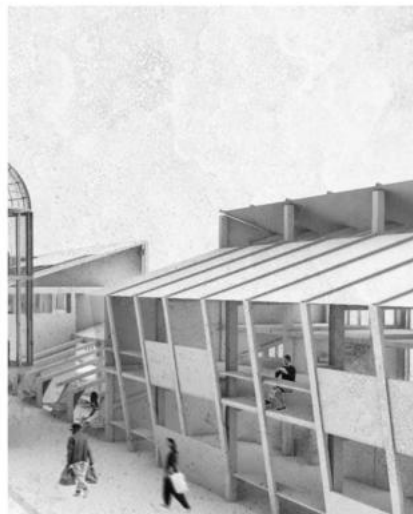
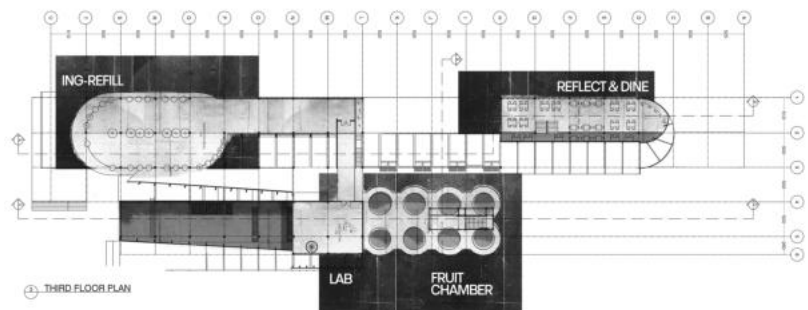
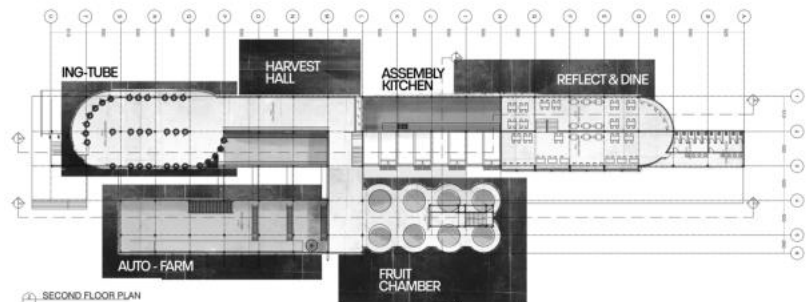




Çai Wai

urban continuum of food experience

Located on Jl. Cipete Raya, Cai Wai positions itself as more than just a dining venue; it acts as an urban program that questions and redefines how food is experienced in the city. Amidst a corridor of fast and repetitive eateries, Cai Wai inserts itself as a counterpoint, slowing down the culture of instant consumption and inviting people to reconnect with the values embedded in food. Rather than treating the açai bowl as a commodity, it reframes it as a cultural narrative, a medium through which visitors engage with the continuum of effort, patience, and resources that sustain daily life. In this way, Cai Wai extends beyond its walls, functioning as an urban statement that critiques the surrounding dining culture while offering an alternative rhythm of eating within the city fabric.



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The interior is programmed around the food path, creating a spatial continuum that mirrors the layers of effort behind every bowl. The form is generated directly from the purpose of the space, developed as an antitypology design that remains honest to its system and avoids ornamental excess. This spatial principle reveals itself as a dining journey made up of different phases, each with its own role but still connected as one continuous flow: beginning with preference, where visitors input their tastes into an AI system; followed by ingredients, revealed step by step through tubes and trays; moving into harvesting, where plants and fruits are encountered in simulated natural cycles; then assembly, where preparation and resource data are recorded; and finally reflection, where eating becomes a moment of awareness.

