

Jefferson Parish OYSTER TRAIL

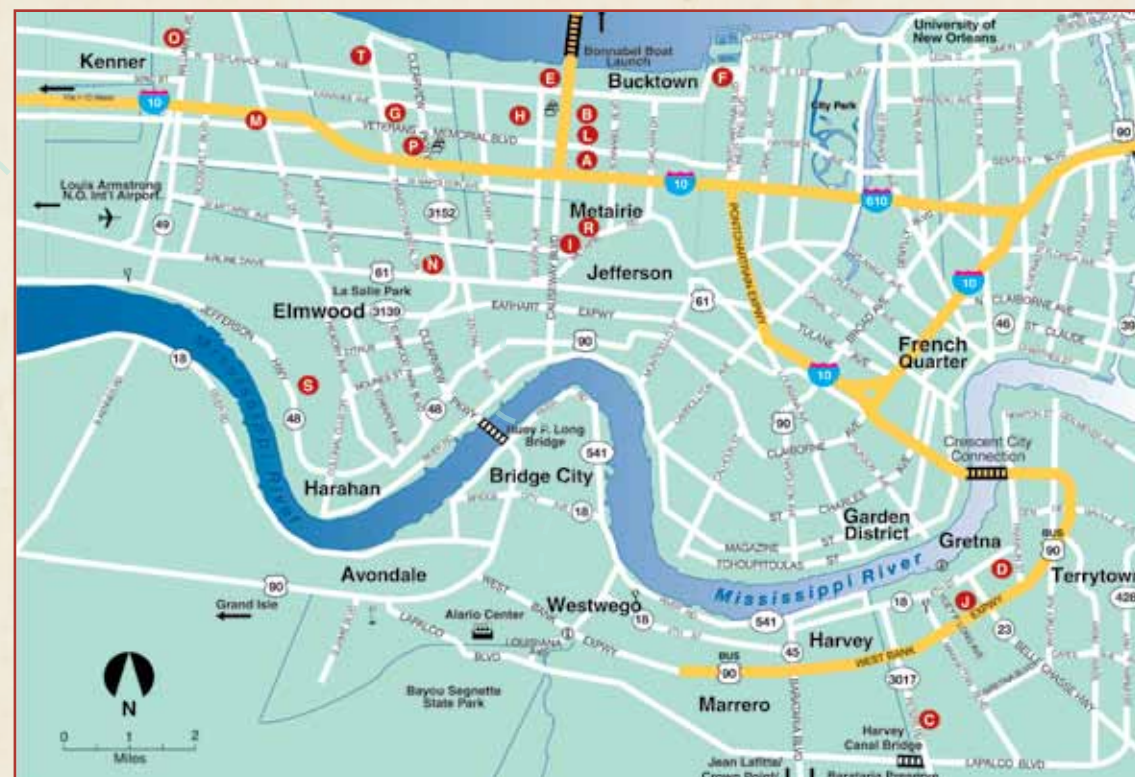
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THE JEFFERSON PARISH OYSTER TRAIL

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IT "SHUCKS" WHEN IT'S NOT OYSTER SEASON!

Oyster season is during months that end in -R (September - December).



Oyster & Rockefeller Soup, Deanie's Seafood Restaurant

WATCH YOUR FINGERS!

There's one sure way to tell if an oyster is alive. If its shell is open, you tap on it with your fingers, and if it snaps shut, then it's alive.



Charbroiled Oysters, Drago's Seafood Restaurant & Oyster Bar



Oysters Acadiana, O'Henry's Food & Spirits



Fried Oyster Po-boy, Acme Oyster House

HISTORY OF THE OYSTER IN LOUISIANA

With French settlers in Louisiana cultivating oysters as early as 1840, the underwater delicacy has played a large role in the development of the state. Over the years, these settlers discovered a variety of uses for oysters, more efficient ways to harvest oysters and even methods to gather seed oysters and plant them in more favorable environments.

Today, the oyster has grown from a humble seafood delight to a major player in the Louisiana culinary scene. Not only does almost every parish in the state host their own oyster festival, Louisiana as a whole controls roughly 1/3 of the entire oyster industry for the United States. So from oyster rookies to connoisseurs, don't worry because you'll feel right at home in the oyster capital of the world.

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EAT LOUISIANA OYSTERS!

WHAT IS THE OYSTER TRAIL?



From the relaxing rural bayous of Lafitte to the vibrant communities of Kenner and Metairie, Jefferson Parish has always had a reputation for mouth-watering seafood, with oysters sitting atop it all. A place where culinary arts and fine arts come together to create one of the most unique cultures in the world.

Jefferson Parish takes pride in their designs, both in the kitchen and on the canvas and from these unrivaled skills came the Jefferson Parish Louisiana Oyster Trail. A public art program, the Oyster Trail showcases the supreme oyster eateries in Jefferson Parish with true Louisiana style. Partnering with the creative minds of local artists, 3-foot-tall, one-of-a-kind oyster sculptures fill the Parish, marking the places visitors and regulars “gotta try”.

ACME OYSTER HOUSE

3000 Veterans Boulevard, Metairie, LA 70002

(504) 309-4056

In 1910, before Satchmo had ever formed his first band, the first Acme Café opened for business & has been pleasing the palates of diners ever since.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster Rockefeller Soup

Oysters, spinach, parmesan cheese & a hint of Herbsaint.

ARTIST: Ramona Guidry

ANDREA'S RESTAURANT

3100 19th Street, Metairie, LA 70002

(504) 834-8583

If Andrea can't serve it fresh - he won't serve it! Preparing delicious oyster & seafood fare is something Andrea sees as a way of life. That spirit is cooked right into every dish at Andrea's to create a memorable dining experience.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Baked Oyster Radosta

Oysters seasoned with Italian herbs, bread crumbs, parmesan cheese & olive oil, then oven baked.

ARTIST: Julie Graff

BOOMTOWN CASINO

4132 Peters Road, Harvey, LA 70058

(504) 366-7711 / (800) 366-7711

With 30,000 feet of gaming space, several restaurants to dine in & a nightclub, winning comes easy at Boomtown Casino on the Westbank.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster & Andouille Cornbread Dressing

Enjoy this favorite Southern delicacy kicked up with a touch of Louisiana spice. The rich mixture of oysters & Andouille is a winning combination at a great place to win.

ARTIST: Michelle Levine

CAFÉ 615, HOME OF DA WABBIT

615 Kempler Street / Gretna, LA 70053

(504) 365-1225

This nostalgic restaurant serves up traditional New Orleans items like red beans & rice, bread pudding & other local favorites.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Pork Chop Stuffed with Oyster Dressing

A double-cut pork chop lightly battered in breadcrumbs & golden fried, then stuffed with our delicious house-made oyster dressing.

ARTIST: Christy Works-Boutte

CHAD'S BISTRO

3216 W. Esplanade Avenue/Metairie, LA 70001

(504) 838-9935

Growing up in a large Italian family dinner with an abundance of delicious food was a common occurrence. Some of these great family recipes are on the menu of Chad's Bistro today!

YOU GOTTA TRY: Buffalo Blue Oysters

Fried oysters tossed in a buffalo sauce on the half shell topped with blue cheese crumble.

ARTIST: Frank Mangiapane

DEANIE'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

1713 Lake Avenue, Metairie, LA 70005

(504) 831-4141

For three generations, Deanie's has remained true to its Bucktown roots by serving the finest seafood prepared in the authentic and unique New Orleans culinary tradition.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster and Artichoke Soup

A rich buttery soup with artichoke hearts & Louisiana oysters

ARTIST: Sherry Francalancia

DON'S SEAFOOD HUT & OYSTER BAR

4801 Veterans Boulevard, Metairie, LA 70006

(504) 889-1550

Don's specialized "Cajun-style" cuisine has earned a reputation of superior service & excellent preparation of fresh seafood since 1934.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Jacked Up Oysters

Raw oysters topped with bacon, jalapeños & pepper jack cheese, then oven baked to perfection.

ARTIST: Karen Reynolds

DRAGO'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT & OYSTER BAR

3232 North Arnoult Road, Metairie, LA 70002

(504) 888-9254

Home of the original Charbroiled Oysters - often imitated but never duplicated! Family owned restaurant, enjoyed by locals and visitors alike.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Charbroiled Oysters

Fresh shucked Louisiana oysters grilled on an open flame in their own juices and a butter garlic sauce, then topped with a blend of romano & parmesan cheeses.

ARTIST: Veronica Ali

GALLEY SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

2535 Metairie Road / Metairie, LA 70001

(504) 832-0955

Where the locals eat the best boiled seafood in a fun, family atmosphere! You've gotta hit the trail for the Galley's oysters! Battered in a secret-family recipe, served fresh & piping hot.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Galley Fried Oyster Caesar Salad

Louisiana oysters lightly fried in a secret homemade corn flour served atop our entrée size Caesar salad.

ARTIST: Shannon Kelley & Jennifer Blanchard

GATTUSO'S NEIGHBORHOOD BAR & RESTAURANT

435 Huey P Long Avenue, Gretna, LA 70053

(504) 368-1114

Gattuso's is conveniently located in the Gretna Historical District. The locally owned neighborhood favorite boasts a menu of mouth-watering Louisiana seafood favorites.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster Sandwich with Bacon

Golden fried oysters topped with crispy bacon & a special sauce.

ARTIST: Keith Eccles

GRAND ISLE TOURIST COMMISSION

2757 LA Highway 1, Grand Isle, LA 70358

(985) 787-2997

Located at the southern tip of Louisiana this resilient fishing town gets seafood straight from the Gulf and onto your plate. Grand Isle locals dine at Starfish Restaurant, Cisco's Cajun Cantina, The Lighthouse Restaurant, & Artie's Sports Bar.

ARTIST: Cyn Guidry

MELLOW MUSHROOM

3131 Veterans Memorial Boulevard, Metairie, LA 70002

(504) 644-4155

With a new restaurant in Metairie, Mellow Mushroom continues to fulfill its mission: to serve a deliciously unparalleled pizza & a cold craft beer in an unforgettable environment.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster Pizza

Made with a fresh minced garlic base, a swirl of spicy seafood butter, shaved parmesan, light mozzarella, & Louisiana oysters.

ARTIST: Buddy Finethy

O'HENRY'S FOOD & SPIRITS

8859 Veterans Boulevard, Metairie, LA 70003

(504) 461-9840

A home-grown family restaurant that focuses on American fare with a New Orleans twist; the local eatery takes pleasure in serving the third generation of Peanut, "throw em on the floor" fanatics.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oysters Acadiana

Lightly fried cornmeal dusted oysters sitting atop penne pasta tossed with our Creole cream sauce & melted pepper jack cheese.

ARTIST: Ryan Broussard

SHORT STOP PO-BOYS

119 Transcontinental Drive, Metairie, LA 70001

(504) 885-4572

A place where the patrons judge a good po-boy by how many napkins used, this popular po-boy joint has been serving New Orleans style sandwiches to locals & tourists alike since 1966.

YOU GOTTA TRY: The Classic Oyster Po-boy

Delicious Louisiana oysters, freshly shucked, battered in a seasoned corn flour & fried to a crisp golden brown. Served on Leidenheimer French bread, dressed with pickles, topped with cocktail sauce & Louisiana hot sauce, of course.

ARTIST: Allison Boudreaux

SMITTY'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT & OYSTER BAR

2000 West Esplanade Avenue, Kenner, LA 70065

(504) 468-1647

Smitty's provides a favorite spot for locals and visitors to satisfy their cravings for seafood served up fresh daily.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Louisiana Oysters on the Half Shell

Raw oysters on the half shell served in an iced down pirogue with various sauces.

ARTIST: Alissa Prince

THE BALCONY RECEPTIONS

4738 Utica Street, Metairie, LA 70006

(504) 885-8001

An exquisite reception hall that's exceptional service & outstanding quality of Louisiana cuisine sets it apart from the competition.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oyster Shooters

A raw Louisiana Oyster swimming in a house-made Bloody Mary.

ARTIST: Matt Rinard

TOWN OF JEAN LAFITTE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER

799 Jean Lafitte Boulevard, Lafitte, LA 70067

(504) 689-2299

Jean Lafitte is a small town in the heart of the Barataria Basin, & less than an hour from the City of New Orleans. Residents enjoy an array of restaurants that offer classic Louisiana cuisine. Boutte's Bayou Restaurant, Restaurant Des Familles, Jan's Cajun Restaurant, & Voleo's Seafood Restaurant.

ARTIST: Claudette Perrin

VEGA TAPAS CAFÉ

2051 Metairie Road, Metairie, LA 70005

(504) 836-2007

Recently celebrating its 16th year, this award winning restaurant is the first & only place to get exclusively small plates in the Greater New Orleans area.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Ostras Asado

Baked Jumbo Gulf Oysters with House-made Chorizo, Manchego Cheese, Garlic, Herbs, & Bread Crumbs.

ARTIST: Paulette Lizano

VILLAGE INN RESTAURANT

9201 Jefferson Highway, River Ridge, LA 70123

(504) 737-4610

A mainstay in the River Ridge neighborhood, the eatery sits adjacent to the Mississippi River & has been dishing out local favorites for decades.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Seafood Muffaletta

Includes catfish, oysters & shrimp, under traditional muffaletta bread & dressed any way you like.

ARTIST: Ramona Guidry

VINCENT'S ITALIAN CUISINE

4411 Chastant Street, Metairie, LA 70006

(504) 885-2984

From a large, tight knit Sicilian family, Vincent grew up eating wonderful food prepared by his parents who were both great cooks. Guests enjoy old family recipes that offer an array of oyster & seafood delicacies.

YOU GOTTA TRY: Oysters Vincent

A casserole of oysters, shrimp & crabmeat seasoned with fresh herbs & a hint of bacon; then finished with a lemon cream sauce.

ARTIST: Nichole Chateau