



Baltimore's Neighborhoods Plate It Up

Baltimore is an eclectic city of neighborhoods with vibrant and unique restaurants, each with their own distinct personality. Reflected in fresh, creative cuisine and a laid-back atmosphere, visitors to Baltimore should expect the unexpected from a hip and funky up-and-coming dining scene.

Canton

A vibrant neighborhood of traditional Baltimore rowhomes, Canton is a true American “melting pot,” contributing richly to the fabric of city life. Many rowhouses and churches built on the hills and fields of late 19th century Canton still exist, along with a diverse community of people. Most restaurants are centered around O’Donnell Square in the heart Canton. Development continues with new condos and retailers each day. The most famous restaurants in Canton include:

- **Bo Brooks at Lighthouse Point** (Seafood): Enjoy casual dining on the water in Canton with Bo Brooks’ full seafood menu with steaks, salads and chicken. www.bobrooks.com
- **The BoatHouse Canton** (American): On the waterfront at Tindeco Wharf, the former Bay Cafe location was transformed into the BoatHouse Canton. It’s the place to be to connect with good friends, enjoy live music, savor remarkable cuisine, and delight in a waterfront setting that is second to none. www.boathousecanton.com
- **Canton Dockside** (Seafood): Family-owned restaurant, home to Baltimore’s famous crabs and Maryland seafood. www.cantondockside.com
- **Claddagh Pub** (Irish/American): The welcome at this Canton pub/restaurant may be Irish, but the menu highlights the flavors of the Chesapeake. The restaurant has been lauded by Bobby Flay as “upscale cuisine...delicious food.” www.claddaghbaltimore.com
- **Jack’s Bistro** (Eclectic): Chef/Owner Ted Stelzenmuller was named “The Most Wildly Imaginative Chef In Baltimore” by The Baltimore Sun. A unique menu that pairs common ingredients with uncommon combinations. www.jacksbistro.net
- **Langermann’s** (New American): Hang with the locals at this restaurant featuring regional American dishes with influences from the Coastal Southeast. Get a sense of historic cultivation and simple elegance with classic meals and daily homemade desserts. www.langermanns.com
- **Verde** (Italian/Vegetarian): Verde is casual, upscale, full-service trattoria specializing in authentic Neapolitan pizza. From an expansive list of traditional and creative wood-fired pizzas, to delicious calzones, fresh salads and homemade desserts, the classic flavors of Italy are offered throughout the menu. www.verdepizza.com

Federal Hill

Located due south of the famed Inner Harbor, Federal Hill is a popular location for young professionals and empty nesters, with a busy bar scene and the best views in the city from atop Federal Hill Park. Within walking distance from the Harbor, Federal Hill offers a mix of pub food, and upscale, fashion-forward cuisine. Well-known restaurants include:

- **Blue Agave Restaurante Y Tequileria** (Mexican): A casual yet upscale restaurant serving regional and contemporary Mexican cuisine and more than 125 tequilas of 100 percent agave; lauded by Baltimore Magazine, the Baltimore Sun, City Paper, Zagat and Travel Host Magazine. www.blueagaverestaurant.com
- **Bluegrass Tavern** (Southern): Bluegrass is a classic neighborhood restaurant featuring a contemporary American menu and an eclectic wine list and cocktails. With a background in classical French and the emphasis on fresh, simple ingredients of Northern Italian cuisine, the chefs of Bluegrass Tavern offer a unique take on contemporary American and Southern cooking. www.bluegrasstavern.com
- **Ryleigh's Oyster** (American/Seafood): A blend of Baltimore's charming maritime history with a contemporary mix, complete with urban slate-top raw oyster bar. Specializing in only the freshest seafood, meats, poultry and produce, Ryleigh's demonstrates fine dining quality cuisine coupled with excellent service. www.ryleighs.com
- **Regi's American Bistro** (American): Enjoy a unique dining experience with great lunch, dinner and weekend brunch specials. www.regisamericanbistro.com
- **LIV2EAT** (American): Utilizing traditional methods and techniques to best showcase available seasonal products each day. Featuring seasonal entrees and salads as well as homemade pastas and bread. www.liv2eat.com

Fell's Point

With its cobblestone streets and waterfront location, historic Fell's Point has long been a favorite attraction for young and old alike and offers an eclectic collection of stores and boutiques. Fell's Point is also home to some of the city's finest restaurants. From seafood restaurants, upscale dining and pub food to the area's growing Latino district, diners will find a bevy of choices in this historic neighborhood. The most popular restaurants include:

- **Barcocina** (Mexican): Barcocina features Mexican inspired cuisine with fresh ingredients and original twists meant to share amongst friends. Barcocina's cocktail list emphasizes fresh squeezed juices for next level freshness and taste. With amazing outdoor space and uninhibited views of the harbor, Barcocina is a premier place to eat, drink and socialize. www.barcocina.com
- **Bond Street Social** (Tapas/American): Baltimore's newest and hottest eating and drinking destination combines an original upscale dining experience with a lively social scene. Executive Chef Neill Howell's creative menu of "social plates" encourages social dining with a range of dishes influenced by European, Latin, Asian, and Chesapeake Bay cuisine. www.bondstreetsocial.com

- **Kali's Court** (Mediterranean): Kali's Court is a Zagat rated fine dining Baltimore Mediterranean restaurant known for our Mediterranean tapas and small plates. www.kaliscourt.com
- **Waterfront Kitchen** (New American): A seed-to-plate restaurant that sources ingredients as locally and seasonally as possible. Features sweeping views of the Baltimore harbor. www.waterfrontkitchen.com

Hampden

Hampden feels like a small town, with modest homes that retain their original charm and locals that still use that Baltimore term of endearment, Hon – as in “How ya doin’ Hon?” The Avenue (36th street) is the center of the action for both unique shopping and dining. Top spots to eat include:

- **Alchemy** (New American): Modern American cuisine with cross cultural influences in a polished and sophisticated setting. Chefs, Michael and Debi Matassa offer various twists to traditional dishes and other creative fare. It is the only champagne brunch available on The Avenue. www.alchemyon36.com
- **Corner BYOB** (Eclectic): The Corner BYOB features continental comfort food by Executive Chef Bernard Dehaene, and as a BYOB establishment, invites you to bring your preferred libation to your table. www.cornerbyob.com
- **The Food Market** (American/Seafood) Approachable, serious comfort food by Chef Chad Gauss. Voted Top 100 Hot Spots in the Nation by Opentable.com. www.thefoodmarketbaltimore.com
- **Choux Café** (French): Located in the heart of Hampden, Ma Petite Shoe is a one-of-a-kind boutique specializing in shoes by the newest designers and artisan chocolate from around the globe. Right next door, CHOUX café creates world-class bakery goods and fresh salads with a modern aesthetic. www.mapetiteshoe.com
- **Woodberry Kitchen** (Organic): From James Beard award nominee chef Spike Gjerde, Woodberry Kitchen features the seasonal best from local growers and emphasizes organic meats and sustainable agriculture. From local microbrews to the fried hominy and wood-oven roasted Rockefeller oysters, Woodberry Kitchen offers innovative and “outside-the-box” culinary creations. And to top it all off, the cozy décor of hand-carved wood, artisan glass and authentic candlelight and working fireplace create an organic ambiance to accent its unique, local cuisine. www.woodberrykitchen.com

Harbor East

A completely transformed, still emerging neighborhood located between the Inner Harbor and Fell's Point, Harbor East is quickly becoming a destination for dining, entertainment and shopping. With continuously updated cuisine options, Harbor East is the newest Baltimore neighborhood to garner attention from both locals and visitors alike. Well- known restaurants in the area (and the most famous in Baltimore) include:

- **Azumi** (Japanese): Stylish Japanese restaurant in the Four Seasons Hotel with sushi, seafood, steaks, sake & cocktails.
- **Charleston** (New American): Chef Cindy Wolf is a three-time James Beard Foundation finalist for best chef in the mid-Atlantic. Wolf's award-winning cuisine is based on French fundamental techniques with a low-country influence, creating a style all her own. www.charlestonrestaurant.com
- **Cinghiale** (Italian): Celebrating the richness and style of the Italian table, Cinghiale (wild boar in Italian) boasts authentic northern Italian cuisine and an extensive wine list. The highly-acclaimed restaurant features fine dining in the Osteria with a more casual atmosphere in the Enoteca. www.cinghiale-osteria.com
- **Fleet Street Kitchen** (American): Fleet Street Kitchen, which features the contemporary American cooking of Chef Chris Amendola, is an exciting new addition to the dining scene in downtown Baltimore, combining exceptional food, drinks, and service. www.fleetstreetkitchen.com
- **Lebanese Taverna** (Mediterranean): Lebanese Taverna creates an environment where good food is enjoyed in good company. Famous for their outstanding hommas, the restaurant is a "home away from home," even though the food and ambiance come from across the globe. www.lebanesetaverna.com
- **Ouzo Bay** (Greek/Seafood): Visit Ouzo Bay for authentic Greek cuisine and handcrafted libations at their posh bar and lounge location. www.ouzobay.com
- **PAZO** (Italian): Restaurateurs Tony Foreman and Cindy Wolf's PAZO features the bright and lively tastes of southern Italy. Under the direction of executive chef Julian Marucci, the kitchen focuses on centuries old techniques, classic recipes, and beautiful ingredients. Guests can explore the tables south of Rome with Neapolitan pizza, regional cheeses, house-made breads, grilled seafood, hand-formed pastas, and aged rib eyes. www.pazorestaurant.com
- **Ten Ten An American Bistro** (American): Ten Ten's menu features seasonal American dishes with influences from the Chesapeake and Southern cuisine. From charcuterie to desserts, Ten Ten takes a slow food approach to cooking, making as much as possible in-house and from scratch. www.bagbys1010.com
- **Wit & Wisdom, A Tavern by Michael Mina** (American): Located inside the Four Seasons hotel, this restaurant offers comfort food with a contemporary Eastern Seaboard twist. Unwind on the seasonal waterfront patio and take in the views of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. www.witandwisdombaltimore.com

Locust Point

Once an entirely industrial neighborhood, Locust Point is most well known as the home of Fort McHenry. It's also home to two Maryland Port Authority marine terminals as well as the Domino Sugar factory. Today, it's becoming a hot residential neighborhood as well as a dining destination. Popular dining spots include:

- **The Wine Market** (American): Founded in 2004 by former wine distributor Christopher Spann, this unique café, wine bar and wine shop all under one roof is nationally recognized for both their wines and cuisine. Offering over 30 wines by the glass and a 900 bottle selection in the wine shop, guests can enjoy outdoor dining on a beautiful courtyard patio in the warmer months. www.winemarketbistro.com
- **LP Steamers** (Seafood): A fun and relaxing atmosphere across from the Little League field, just before Fort McHenry, LP Steamers is a fine spot for all your crab-picking pleasures. Enjoy roof-top dining on the new “Crab Deck,” or the informal setting inside. www.lpsteamers.com
- **Hull Street Blues Café** (American): Hull Street Blues offers the finest in casual gourmet dining in a delightfully cozy nautical atmosphere, at very reasonable prices. Its award winning Sunday brunch is a buffet style that offers a wide variety of breakfast and lunch items. www.hullstreetblues.com

Mount Vernon

The city’s cultural district – Mount Vernon – is a wonderful mix of old world and trendy, with impressive architecture and an art institute, music conservatory and university all calling Mount Vernon home. Newer restaurants are blending in among the traditional and are driving diners to this cultural enclave. The neighborhood is home to some of Baltimore’s best-loved restaurants including:

- **The Brewer’s Art** (Eclectic): Set in a grand Mount Vernon townhouse, this restaurant offers many temptations for your palate. Chef Ray Kumm’s seasonally changing menus feature meats, fish, seafood, pasta and vegetarian offerings. www.thebrewersart.com
- **City Café** (New American): A restaurant and bar located in historic Mount Vernon, City Cafe is both a neighborhood favorite and a local dining destination with a distinct "New York" vibe. Executive Chef Michael Benson prepares an original menu of contemporary American cuisine and regional favorites. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and happy hour are offered daily and groups are accommodated. www.citycafebaltimore.com
- **Dooby’s** (New American): Located in the heart of Mount Vernon, Dooby's offers a modern Asian-tavern menu. In addition to our fun and social setting, guests will enjoy our seasonal cocktails, craft beers on tap, and specialty coffee. www.doobyscoffee.com
- **The Helmand Restaurant** (Afghan): Providing fine Afghan cuisine since 1989. The menu includes kabobs as well as vegetarian and gluten-free dishes. www.helmand.com
- **The Prime Rib** (Steakhouse): Referred to as Baltimore’s 21 Club, the restaurant is svelte, sleek, sophisticated and noted for its perfect martinis, slabs of juicy prime rib, giant veal chops, crab imperial and crab cakes. Featuring piano and bass nightly, complimentary valet parking. www.theprimerib.com
- **Sascha’s 527 Restaurant** (New American): Highly rated by Zagat and located in a charming 19th-century townhouse, this restaurant is recognized for creative new American cuisine at comfortable prices just a short distance from the Inner Harbor. www.saschas.com

- **Sotto Sopra** (Italian): Named by Gourmet magazine as a top ten Italian restaurant in Maryland, Washington D.C. and Delaware, the food at Sotto Sopra is authentic Italian. With a rotating chef program owner Riccardo Bosio brings creative twists to traditional favorites. www.sottosoprainc.com
- **Restaurante Tio Pepe** (Spanish): Heralded as one of Baltimore's most popular restaurants, this restaurant is dedicated to offering authentic Spanish cuisine such as paella, fillet of sole with bananas and many other favorites. www.tiopepebaltimore.com
- **Ware House 518** (New American): Baltimore's premiere Casual-Fine Dining experience, specializing in American cuisine with a focus on local product, Mason-Dixon Fare, and Southern nuances in every dish. www.warehouse518.com

Little Italy

All you need is your own two feet to explore the numerous choices for authentic Italian food in Baltimore's Little Italy. With restaurants located within just steps of each other, visitors can experience this neighborhood's old-world charm and escape to an enclave of a different age and time. Little Italy hosts a variety of seasonal food-driven events throughout the year that are favored by locals and visitors alike including the Taste of Little Italy in September and an outdoor summer film festival that runs every Friday June through August.

- **Aldo's Ristorante Italiano** (Italian): The Zagat Survey's highest-scoring Italian restaurant in the state of Maryland and recipient of the Wine Spectator Award of Excellence since 1998. www.aldositaly.com
- **Café Gia Ristorante of Little Italy** (Italian): "Located in Baltimore's famous Little Italy, utterly casual, yet sophisticated" – The Baltimore Sun; "Our favorite neighborhood restaurant in a neighborhood full of them" – Baltimore Magazine. www.cafegiabaltimore.com
- **Da Mimmo's Finest Italian Cuisine** (Italian): A Baltimore dining establishment for over 20 years, Chef Masood Massodi is dedicated to providing guests with only the most authentic ingredients at Da Mimmo's and has spent extended time in different regions of Italy to sharpen his culinary skills. Da Mimmo's even provides a complimentary limousine service to patrons from all downtown locations. www.damimmo.com
- **Heavy Seas Alehouse** (American): Full-service restaurant and bar featuring a raw bar, beer garden and private dining, as well as an American style menu and up to 12 drafts from Heavy Seas Brewery. www.heavyseasalehouse.com
- **La Scala** (Italian): Chef Nino is dedicated to presenting a menu which balances traditional Italian cuisine as well as innovative specialties. After dinner, test your skills at the restaurant's popular attraction, an indoor bocce ball court. www.lascaladining.com
- **Sabatino's Italian Restaurant** (Italian): This family-owned restaurant serves delicious Central and Southern Italian cuisine; voted "People's Choice" for Best Italian Restaurant for 24 years. www.sabatinos.com

Inner Harbor

The centerpiece of downtown Baltimore is the world-famous Inner Harbor, the vibrant and beautiful waterfront. The Inner Harbor is surrounded by hotels, restaurants, attractions and shops, and is just steps away from the Baltimore Convention Center and the stadium complex. The Inner Harbor hotels also boast some of the best restaurants downtown, including:

- **Apropoe's** (American): Inside the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront, Apropoe's serves up artisanal cocktails, light bites and mouth-watering American fare in a modern atmosphere inspired by Baltimore tradition. www.ApropoesHarborEast.com
- **B&O American Brasserie** (American): Adjoined to the Hotel Monaco, the B&O occupies the original Baltimore & Ohio Railway headquarters, a stunning structure that epitomizes the Beaux-Arts School of architecture. The menu features robust American dishes that change with the seasons and local Baltimore ingredients. www.bandorestaurant.com
- **Bistro 300** (American): Located inside the Hyatt Regency Baltimore, Bistro 300 offers a wide range of Charm City delights for breakfast, lunch, cocktails, dinner and everything in between. www.baltimore.hyatt.com/en/hotel/dining.html
- **Diamond Tavern** (American): At the Hilton Baltimore hotel, Diamond Tavern offers casual upscale dining in a lively sophisticated atmosphere, serving delicious American cuisine. All-day dining with a la carte breakfast, luncheon and dinner menus is available. www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/maryland/hilton-baltimore-BWICCHH/dining/index.html
- **Family Meal** (American): American diner-inspired spot focuses on traditional comfort food that pays homage to his home state by fusing local ingredients into its entrees. baltimore.voltfamilymeal.com
- **French Kitchen, Lord Baltimore Hotel** (French): Located at the top of the lobby's grand staircase in the historic mirrored Versailles Room, this elegant restaurant with a French kitchen focuses on market-driven interpretations of classic French bistro fare; also offers special holiday meals. www.lordbaltimorehotel.com
- **Watertable Restaurant** (American/Seafood): At the Renaissance Baltimore Harborplace Hotel, Experience the best in contemporary American cuisine with Chesapeake style and breathtaking harbor views for breakfast, lunch, cocktails and dinner. www.watertablerestaurant.com

