



W E L C O M E T O
New Orleans

YOUR LOCAL GUIDE TO THE CITY

FRENCH QUARTER

TOP RESTAURANTS:

1- **Doris Metropolitan** \$\$\$

Best Steak

620 Chartres St. - (504) 267-3500

2- **Galatoire's** \$\$\$\$

Best Old-school Creole (Men must wear a blazer)

209 Bourbon St. - (504) 525-2021

3- **Meauxbar** \$\$

Best date spot (try the pork belly appetizer)

942 N Rampart St. - (504) 569-9979

4- **R'evolution** \$\$\$\$

Best Special Occasion (Try the Death by Gumbo)

777 Bienville St. - (504) 553-2277

5- **Brennan's** \$\$\$

Best Brunch (Eggs Benedict are their specialty)

620 Chartres St. - (504) 267-3500

6- **Angeline** \$\$\$

Best Southern Comfort Food

1032 Chartres St. - (504)-308-3106

7- **Sylvain** \$\$

Best Gastro Pub

625 Chartres St - (504) 265-8123

8- **GW Fins** \$

Best Seafood

808 Bienville St. - (504) 581-3467

9- **Cafe Amelie** \$\$\$

Best Courtyard Restaurant

912 Royal St. - (504) 412-8965

10- **Napoleon House** \$

Best Muffaletta

500 Chartres St. - (504) 524-9752

THINGS TO DO:

1- **Jackson Square:** heart of "The Quarter", home of St. Louis Cathedral surrounded by shops and attractions.

2- **Cafe du Monde:** The spot for the famous and delicious beignets, cafe au lait and people watching.

3- **Bourbon St.:** Historic thoroughfare with a legendary after-dark bar scene.

4- **French Market:** riverside market district oozing with character and great souvenirs.

5- **Carousel Bar:** Where else can you sit on a rotating carousel while you drink?

6- **Haunted Tour:** Learn about the darker side of New Orleans history, and visit some of the most gorgeous and spookiest places.

7- **Royal St.:** Eye-pleasing mix of classy antique shops, boutiques, fine jewelry stores, colorful art galleries.

8- **Effervescence:** A new experience in sparkling wine and small-plate dining.

9- **Horse and Carriage Tours:** scenic and rustic way to tour the storied streets of the French Quarter.



PRO TIP: Do a day drinking tour of Bourbon street. Start at Pat O'Brien with a traditional Hurricane (we recommend the piano bar), move on to Tropical Isle to try the Hand Grenades and end at the oldest bar in the south, Lafitte's, and order their famous purple drink. The combination of all three drinks will certainly set you up to have a good time. Also don't forget to check out the aquarium and River Walk.



CBD (Central Business District)

TOP RESTAURANTS:

- 1- **Domenica** \$\$
Best wood-fired pizzas
123 Baronne St. - (504) 648-6020
- 2- **Lüke** \$\$\$
Best brasserie with a bar (50c raw oyster during HH)
333 St Charles Ave. - (504) 378-2840
- 3- **Balise** \$\$
Best American Neighborhood (Try the baked rigatoni)
640 Carondelet St. - (504) 459-4449
- 4- **August** \$\$\$\$
Best Contemporary French fine dining
301 Tchoupitoulas St. - (504) 299-9777
- 5- **Company Burger** \$
Best American burger (worth getting the double patty)
611 O'Keefe Ave C7. - (504) 309-9422
- 6- **Capdeville** \$
Best Pub (Don't miss out on the Mac n' Cheese)
520 Capdeville St. - (504) 371-5161
- 7- **Pêche Seafood Grill** \$\$\$
Best Seafood from a coal grill (Get the whole fish)
800 Magazine St - (504) 522-1744
- 8- **Compère Lapin** \$\$\$
Best French Caribbean (Dare to try the pig ears)
535 Tchoupitoulas St - (504) 599-2119
- 9- **Willa Jean** \$\$
Best Retro-chic café
611 O'Keefe Ave - (504) 509-7334
- 10- **Couchon** \$\$
Best pork-focused Cajun fare
930 Tchoupitoulas St B - (504) 588-7675

THINGS TO DO:

- 1- **Harrah's Casino:** Test your luck at the city's largest casino.
- 2- **W.I.N.O.:** The only wine institute in the city with ons of wine on tap.
- 3- **Roof Top Bars:** New Orleans has a new crop of cool rooftop bars where you can experience the sensory overload of the city. Our favorites: Monkey Board @ Troubador, Alto @ Ace Hotel, and Above the Grid @ NOPSI.
- 4- **South Market District:** A mixed-use, transit-oriented district combining luxury apartments with retail, restaurants and entertainment venues.
- 5- **Superdome:** The Mercedes-Benz Superdome home of the Best football team, The Saints, also hosts versatile special events for meeting planners conventions, tradeshow, private parties, and meetings.
- 6- **National WWII Museum:** Learn the story of the American Experience in the war that changed the world - why it was fought, how it was won, and what it means.

PRO TIP: Head over to the local grocery store, Rouses, and get yourself a six pack of Abita beer or a couple of Daiquiris and take the ferry across the river to Algiers Point to watch the sunset behind the NOLA skyline. If water is not your thing, head over to the NOPSI or ACE hotel rooftop to enjoy the city skyline from above.

MARIGNY/BYWATER

TOP RESTAURANTS:

- 1- **Mimis in the Marigny** \$
Best Late Night Drink and Tapas
2601 Royal St - (504) 872-9868
- 2- **St. Rock Market** \$
Best food hall with eat and drinks
2381 St Claude Ave. - (504) 609-3813
- 3- **N7** \$\$
Best Date Spot with a French Flare
1117 Montegut St.
- 4- **Red's** \$
Best Chinese with a southern twist
3048 St Claude Ave. - (504) 304-6030
- 5- **Pizza Delicious** \$
Best Pizza & Garlic Knots
617 Piety St. - (504) 676-8482
- 6- **The Joint** \$
Best old school BBQ
1701 Mazant St. - (504) 949-3232
- 7- **Bacchanal Wine** \$\$
Best Courtyard with live music
600 Poland Ave - (504) 948-9111
- 8- **Port of Call** \$
Best Hamburgers (Try their house drink "Montsu")
838 Esplanade Ave. - (504) 523-0120
- 9- **Paladar 511** \$\$\$
Best food with cocktails
511 Marigny St - (504) 509-6782
- 10- **Cake Cafe & Bakery** \$
Best Breakfast Bakery
2440 Chartres St. - (504) 943-0010

THINGS TO DO:

- 1- **The Country Club:** restaurant, lounge, pool, Jacuzzi, cabana bar" in a 19th-century Bywater mansion.
- 2- **Frenchmen Street:** The cooler version of bourbon st. with plenty of live music and small shops (best at nightfall).
- 3- **Crescent Park:** Offers the best waterfront views of the city.
- 4- **St. Claude Arts District:** Explore galleries and capture the essence of Bohemian New Orleans.
- 5- **Dr. Bob's Art Studio:** "Be nice or leave" artist has a unique vibrant studio with plenty of things on display.
- 6- **Euclid Records:** Two levels of records sorted by genre.
- 7- **Bacchanal Wine:** part wine shop, part bar, part music club—and 100% neighborhood hangout.
- 8- **Saturn Bar:** Every 2nd Saturday of the month there is a "Mod dance party" an all British Invasion, Motown, and Funk hits from the 1960s and 70s party all spun from an original 33 or 45 RPM vinyl.



Frenchmen Street.

PRO TIP: Frenchmen street is where it is at—complete with cafés, bars, and music clubs. The true magic happens come nightfall, when live music spills from the doorways of clubs and crowds gather for street performers, but it's still a great daytime destination, too. Our favorite places to visit are: Cafe Negril, The spotted cat, Maison and DBA.



Bayou St. John

MID CITY

TOP RESTAURANTS:

- 1- **Parkway Bakery** \$
Best Po boys period (A favorite presidential spot)
538 Hagan Ave. - (504) 482-3047
- 2- **Cafe Minh** \$\$
Best Vietnamese-French fare
3800 Canal St. - (504) 482-9179
- 3- **Katie's Restaurant** \$\$
Best Creole Italian Flare
3701 Iberville St - (504) 488-6582
- 4- **Neyow's Creole Café** \$\$
Best Red Beans and Rice (try their chargrilled oysters)
3332 Bienville St. - (504) 827-5474
- 5- **Bevi Seafood Co.** \$\$
Best Boiled Seafood
236 N Carrollton Ave. - (504) 488-7503
- 6- **Willie Mae's Scotch House** \$
Best Fried Chicken in the United States
2401 St Ann St. - (504) 822-9503
- 7- **Mid City Pizza** \$
Best Pizza delivery
4400 Banks St. - (504) 483-8609
- 8- **Cafe Degas** \$\$
Best Traditional French
3127 Esplanade Ave. - (504) 945-5635
- 9- **Rue 127** \$\$\$
Best Eclectic American
127 N Carrollton Ave. - (504) 483-1571
- 10- **Blue Oak BBQ** \$
Best Cracklins (2017 hogs for the cause winners)
900 N Carrollton Ave. - (504) 822-2583

THINGS TO DO:

- 1- **Bayou Beer Garden:** Lots of outdoor seating and beer options close Bayou St. John.
- 2- **City Park:** Major green space with ancient oak trees and home to the New Orleans Museum of Art.
- 3- **Bayou St. John:** Great for a tranquil afternoon of fishing, canoing, or picnicking along the grassy banks.
- 4- **Drifter Hotel:** A popular clothing optional pool spot with great drinks and cool vibes.
- 5- **Cemetery Tour:** elaborate sculptures and other decorative artwork embellishing the tombs, have come to resemble small villages. They are known by the nickname of "Cities of the Dead."
- 6- **Angelo Brocato:** Everything you want in an Italian gelateria/bakery.

PRO TIP: Spend an afternoon at city park exploring the different places and activities the park has to offer. Our favorites are: The New Orleans Museum of Art, Sculpture garden, the wild flower garden, Story land and carousel gardens. If you get hungry head over to Morning call to indulge on beignets and coffee.

UPTOWN/GARDEN DISTRICT

TOP RESTAURANTS:

1- **La Petite Grocery** \$\$\$

Best New American (try the crab beignets)
238 Magazine St. - (504) 891-3377

2- **Shaya** \$\$\$

2016 Best New Restaurant in the Country
4213 Magazine St. - (504) 891-4213

3- **Commander's Palace** \$\$\$

Best Refined Creole Fare & Jazz Brunch
1403 Washington Ave - (504) 899-8221

4- **The Delachaise** \$\$\$

Best Cocktail & wine bar (Order the duck fat fries)
3442 St Charles Ave. - (504) 895-0858

5- **Superior Seafood & Oyster Bar** \$\$

Best Seafood-focused creole
4338 St Charles Ave - (504) 293-3474

6- **Barú Bistro & Tapas** \$\$

Best Latin-Caribbean (Get assorted tapas and share)
3700 Magazine St - (504) 895-2225

7- **Turkey and Wolf** \$

2017 Best American Restaurant - Bon Appétit magazine
739 Jackson Ave. - (504) 218-7428

8- **Carrollton Market** \$\$\$

Best Southern Bistro
8132 Hampson St. - (504) 252-9928

9- **Jacques-Imo's** \$\$

Best Creole Soul Food
8324 Oak St. - (504) 861-0886

10- **Atchafalaya** \$\$

Best southern brunch (Great Bloody Mary Bar)
901 Louisiana Ave. - (504) 891-9626

THINGS TO DO:

1- **Magazine St.:** Spend a day walking the six-mile length of Magazine Street that is full of restaurants, boutique shops and art galleries.

2- **Audubon Park:** If you love trees, birds and calm, you have to get there! Go hug the famous Tree of life, seat by the pond and watch the many species of birds fly by or catch the sunset at The Fly (hidden park behind the zoo).

3- **Audubon Zoo:** Top of the line zoo with water park for the little ones.

4- **Oak St.:** Composed of seven blocks with nearly every type of small business imaginable with excellent restaurants and bars. Don't miss Rebirth Brass Band at Maple leaf every Tuesday.

5- **Garden District Walking Tour:** Do a free, self-guided Garden District walking tour to admire the luxurious historic houses.

6- **Hansen's Sno-Bliz:** Famous for their soft shaved ice & homemade syrups aka the ultimately delicious Snow Balls.

7- **Tipitina's:** Rustic, black-and-white tiled warehouse space & landmark since '77 for live music & Cajun dancing.



Audubon Park

PRO TIP: Start your day by having brunch at Commanders Palace, a New Orleans brunch institution. After brunch, cross the street to Lafayette Cemetery to see the oldest above ground cemetery. Walk to Magazine st. & stroll through the many boutique shops all the way to Napoleon Ave. From there head back to St. Charles Ave. (6 blocks) and grab the street car all the way to Audubon park.

FESTIVALS

2017 FALL FESTIVALS:

August

- 12 – Red Dress Run
- 13 – Dirty Linen Night

September

- 1-4 – Southern Decadence
- 14-17 – Burlesque Festival
- 23 – NOLA on Tap
- 23-24 – Fried Chicken Festival

October

- 1 – Treme Fall Fest

- 7 – Beignet Festival
- 6-8 – Gentilly Fest
- 6-21 – Oktoberfest
- 11-19 – Film Festival
- 13-15 – CC Blues & BBQ Festival
- 14 – Carnival Latino
- 20-22 – Praise Fest
- 21 – Mac n Cheese Fest
- 22 – Oak Street Po-Boy Festival
- 27-29 – Voodoo

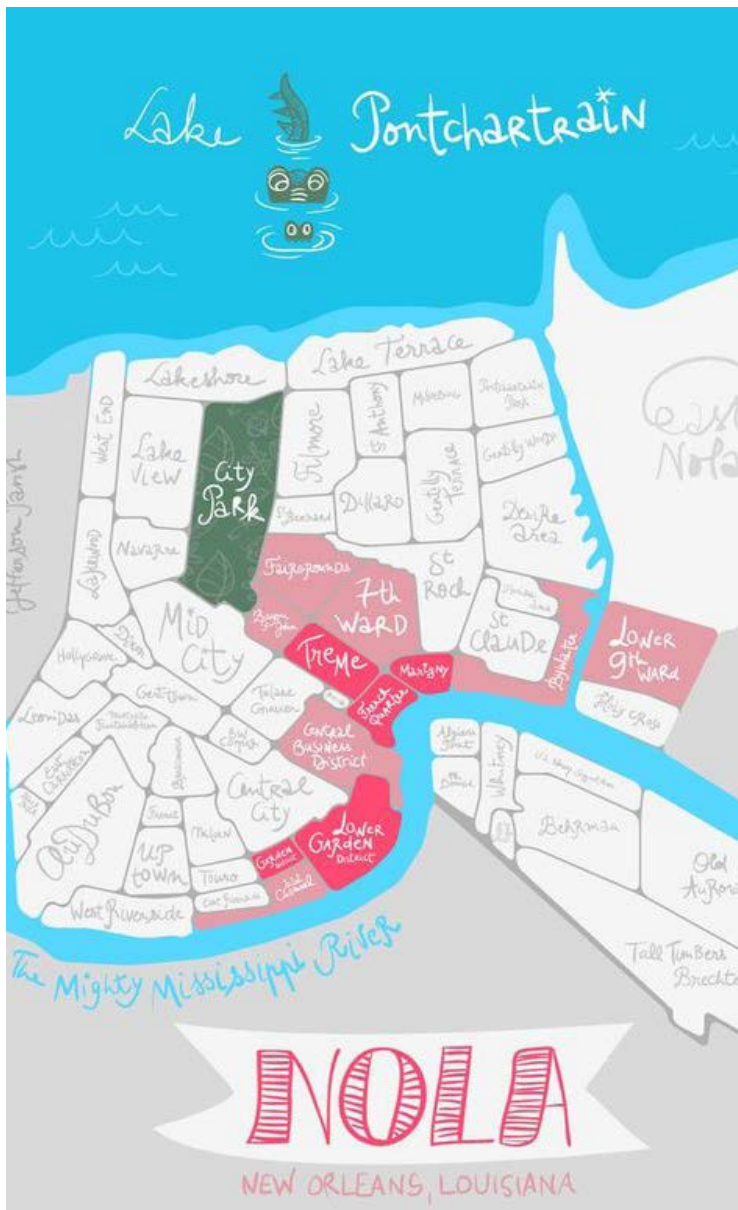
- 27-29 – Seafood Festival

November

- TBA – Faux/Real Festival
- 3 – Boudin, Bourbon & Beer
- 12 – Algiers Folk Art Festival
- 18-19 – Treme Creole Gumbo Festival

December

- 22-31 – NOLA Christmas Fest



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