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### Spice Levels

- ★ 1 Star: Coward
- ★★ 2 Stars: Careful
- ★★★ 3 Stars: Adventurous
- ★★★★ 4 Stars: Native
- ★★★★★ 5 Stars: Showoff



491 US Route One, Freeport, Maine  
1/2 mile south of Exit 20 (Across from Comfort Suite)

## DINING GUIDE

**95 Ocean** is open to the public and one of the best places to get lobster in Kennebunkport. Enjoy creative comfort foods and fresh Maine seafood with waterfront views and live entertainment at The Nonantum Resort. Our menu highlights freshly caught salmon, lobster, scallops and much more. The resort grows 100% organic gardens on property with herbs and vegetables. 95 Ocean Avenue Kennebunkport. 967-4050, nonantumresort.com.

**Barnacle Billy's**, known for luxury lobster, steamed clams, large lusty drinks, barbecued chicken, homemade clam chowder, the lobster roll & lobster stew. Extensive indoor & sundeck seating where guests can enjoy both the beauty of the harbor & the ocean beyond. Perkins Cove, Ogunquit, 646-5575, barnbilly.com

**BlueFin North Atlantic Seafood** offers the quintessential Old Port dining experience. Chef Gil Plaster creates classic, contemporary dishes w/ fresh, locally-caught seafood & seasonal ingredients. Breakfast, lunch, dinner or your favorite cocktail in comfortable elegance or out on the patio by the fire pit. 468 Fore Street 775-9090. bluefinportland.com

**Boone's Fish House & Oyster Room** Native seafood like fresh Maine lobster steamed over rockweed, a variety of oysters and wood-grilled fish, steaks & chops. Try the baked stuffed lobster. Alexander Boone invented the baked stuffed lobster when Boone's opened right here on the Portland Waterfront in 1898. 774-5725 86 Commercial St., Portland www.boonesfishhouse.com

**Bull Feeney's** Authentic hearty Irish fare: delicious from-scratch sandwiches, steaks, seafood. Local craft & premium imported brews. Maine's most extensive selection of single malt Scotch & Irish whiskeys. Live music five nights. Open 7 days, 11:30 - 1 a.m. Kitchen till 10 p.m. 375 Fore St. 773-7210, bullfeeneys.com.

**Caffé Prego** Ogunquit's original authentic Italian caffè. Food & coffee lovers savor breakfast, lunch, and dinner—an eclectic mix of authentic dishes reflecting classic Italian hospitality & quality. Outdoor terrace w/ ocean views. Free Parking avail. 44 Shore Rd., 646-7734, open (daily) Father's Day to Labor Day, Hours: visit cafeprego.com.

**East Ender** Just east of the Old Port, w/ something for all. For a date night or after work drinks, our upstairs lounge is perfect for a casual night with friends or a romantic dinner in one of our cozy booths. Hand-crafted cocktails or our award-winning burger made from cold-smoked beef. 47 Middle St. Portland, 879-7669

espresso ♦ cappuccino ♦ eggs benedicts ♦ quiche ♦ scones ♦ pizza ♦ salads ♦ wine & beer ♦ cocktails ♦ italian entrées ♦ panini ♦ waffles ♦ french toast ♦ pizza ♦ pastries ♦ gelato ♦ biscuits ♦ waffles ♦ french toast ♦ pizza ♦

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Caffé Prego—Ogunquit's original Italian caffè serving select Italian wines, beer & cocktails along with Italian entrées, authentic brick-oven pizza, paninis, garden-fresh salads, homemade gelato, espresso drinks, Italian pastries and a full breakfast served Friday through Monday. Enjoy ocean views from our outdoor bistro and savor a frothy cappuccino under the stars. Free wi-fi and parking next door at Five-O.

• 4 DAYS •      • 7 DAYS •  
Breakfast 7:30-11:30am      Lunch 11:30am-5pm  
Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon      Dinner 5pm to close

44 Shore Road, Ogunquit 207.646.7734 [www.caffepregooogt.com](http://www.caffepregooogt.com)



**El Corazon**, Mexican food from the heart. Authentic family recipes passed down thru generations. Oversized tequila selection & Portland's own "Marisco"—a Mexican seafood cocktail of shrimp, bay scallops, clams, octopus, and, natural Maine lobster. Lunch & dinner, Mon.-Thur. 11 -10 p.m. Fri.-Sat. till 11 p.m. Sun. 9-9. 190 State St. Portland. 536-1354. [elcorazonportland.com](http://elcorazonportland.com).

**Fish Bones Grill** offers creatively prepared American Cuisine along the canal in the historic Bates Mill Complex in the heart of downtown Lewiston. Lunch & dinner M-F from 11:30 a.m. Dinner Sat. from 4 p.m. Get hooked at 70 Lincoln Street in Bates Mill No. 6! Reservations 333-3663 [fishbonesgrill.com](http://fishbonesgrill.com).

**Flatbread Company Portland**, Tucked between two wharves on Portland's waterfront, this family-friendly restaurant features signature pizzas plus weekly carne and veggie specials—made with local ingredients, baked in a wood-fired, clay oven. Everything's homemade, organic, and nitrate-free. Twenty local drafts and cocktails featuring all-local breweries and distilleries. Flatbread has a perfect waterside, relaxed atmosphere for any occasion. 72 Commercial St., 772-8777, [flatbreadcompany.com/portland](http://flatbreadcompany.com/portland).

**Hurricane Restaurant** New England cuisine with an international twist. Lobster & blueberry pie! Local produce and seafood, full bar, award-winning wine list, in-house dessert chef. Sunday brunch. Live music Saturday nights. Lunch & dinner seven days a week. Bar menu always available. Good restaurants come and go. Great restaurants get better and better. Reservations suggested. 29 Dock Square, Kennebunkport, Maine. 207-967-9111, [www.hurricanerestaurant.com](http://www.hurricanerestaurant.com)

**J's Oyster** is a premier seafood destination and locals' favorite with indoor and outdoor waterfront seating on one of Portland's scenic piers. Established in 1977, J's offers classic favorites and friendly service. *Coastal Living* claimed J's as one of "America's Best Seafood Dives 2016." 722-4828.

**Kon Asian Bistro Steakhouse & Sushi Bar** serves Asian cuisine with modern flair. Japanese, Sushi, Thai, Chinese, or hibachi tables. Private party rooms accommodates groups from business meetings to birthday parties. Choose fresh, delicious items prepared before your table. Family friendly; open Mon.-Thurs. 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. to 11 p.m., Sat. 11:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Sun. 11:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. 874-0000 [www.konhibachi.com](http://www.konhibachi.com)

# Eaux: A Tale of Acadie

Louisiana meets Portland on Exchange Street.

BY COLIN W. SARGENT

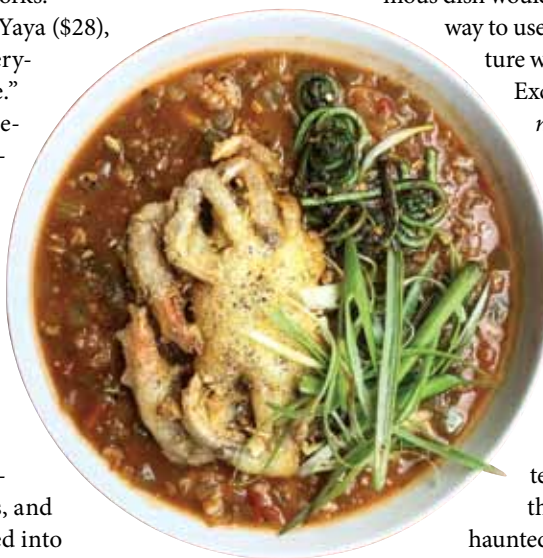
WE WANDER INTO Eaux before catching a show at Portland Stage.

First, a Sazerac. It's whisked to us icy cold (without the ice). Perfect.

We nibble on the intriguing Farro Salad (\$13), a blend of shrimp, pecans, green tomatoes, mint, rhubarb, and the ancient grain that really works.

On to Gumbo Yaya (\$28), which means "everybody talks at once." Nightly seafood depends on the market. This evening, it's a satisfying bowl of mussels, shrimp, and hake with chicken and generous slices of andouille sausage mixed with toothsome Louisiana rice, sassafras, and green onions sliced into thin confetti streamers. Spiced, not spicy, and deeply flavored.

Tonight's special is the Étouffée (\$22), a lovely presentation with the fiddleheads curled in a fragrant base. But it's the gorgeous golden-fried soft-shell crab resting atop the bowl that takes center stage. There's no lobster analogy for the soft-shell crab, and it's a brilliant pairing with the fiddleheads, whose season also is fleeting—almost a bump of the supernatural. A glass of Legado del Moncayo Garancha (\$9) from Spain seems a bit sweet at first, but we find we love the way it blends with the rich flavors here. There's also a strong beer menu, including blackboard specials.



The restaurant/bar is filling up, and on weekends, the party rages till 1 a.m. We were early enough to score the people-watching seat in the window that faces Exchange Street. Not that we're even a bit hungry, but we ask anyway about the only dessert on tonight's menu: Bananas Foster (\$10), not served *flambé*. A pity, as this famous dish would be a marvelous

way to use the fabulous picture window to draw in Exchange Street *flâneurs* with a little night theater. Our cheerful server quips that the chef doesn't trust her with fire...

On first blush, Cajun food in the Old Port seems counterintuitive, but the Cajuns are still haunted by their earlier selves, the Acadians. Led by Longfellow's fictional Evangeline during *Le Grand Dérangement*, the Acadians followed a tearful trail in the 1740s from their home in the northeast Maritimes down to New Orleans to become the Cajuns. Our server tells us, "Evan Richardson, our owner and head chef, met his wife, Genevieve, who's [originally] from Portland, in New Orleans, so she's the inspiration for his coming here." Evangeline reunited with her lover, nearly three centuries later? ■

Eaux, 90 Exchange St., Portland. Mon.-Thurs. 11:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fri.-Sat. 11:30 a.m.-1 a.m.; Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Tues.



**Maria's Ristorante** is Portland's original classic Italian restaurant. Greg and Tony Napolitano prepare classics like Zuppa de Pesce, Eggplant Parmigiana, Grilled Veal Sausages, Veal Chop Milanese, homemade cavatelli pastas, Pistachio Gelato, and Maine's Best Meatballs. See our own sauce in local stores. Prices \$11.95-\$22.95. Wed.-Sat. starting at 5 p.m. Catering always available. 337 Cumberland Ave. 772-9232, mariasrestaurant.com.

**Pedro's** focuses on simple yet full-flavored Mexican and Latino food. Offering tacos, burritos and an impressive array of margaritas, sangria, beer, and wine. *Especiales de la semana* (specials of the week) keep the menu varied and fresh and showcase different Latino cultures. Seasonal outdoor dining available. Open daily, noon - 10 p.m. 181 Port Rd., Kennebunk 967-5544, pedrosmaine.com.

**Portland Lobster Company** Experience "Maine's Best Lobster Roll," lobster dinners, steamers, fried claims, chowder, and more before visiting our outdoor bar for an ice-cold local beer or a glass of fine wine. Then relax on our deck overlooking the gorgeous Portland Harbor while

listening to daily live music. 180 Commercial Street, 775-2112, portlandlobstercompany.com.

**Ricetta's Brick Oven Ristorante** provides a modern, family-friendly atmosphere and a versatile menu of award-winning brick oven pizzas, pasta, grill, gluten-free pizza and pasta, seafood and Italian entrees using as many locally-sourced ingredients as possible. Dine-in, take-home, delivery or have us cater. Kids eat free Mondays! Open Sun.-Thurs. 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m. 240 U.S. Route 1, Falmouth 781-3100, www.ricettas.com.

**Sea Glass at Inn by the Sea**, seasonally sourced and beautifully presented. Chef Chadwick offers an innovative taste of Maine. Spectacular ocean views inside the intimate restaurant or on seaside decks. Creative daily vegan dishes alongside produce and seafood from local farms and sea. (*Wine Spectator* Best of the Award of Excellence) 40 Bowery Beach Rd., Cape Elizabeth. 799-3134 innbythesea.com

**Shay's Pub & Grill** Shay's Pub & Grill in the heart of Portland's Monument Square. A neighborhood favorite since 2005. Pub fare specialties: sweet & spicy chicken

sandwich, fish & chips, rotating seasonal salads. Famous all-day \$5 martini menu and specials daily. Outdoor seating. 18 Monument Sq., M-Tues. 11:30-9 p.m., W-Sat. 11:30-10 p.m., Sun. closed. Schedule your private event with us! 772-2626, shaysgrillpub.com

**Tally's Kitchen at Bayside**, a breakfast and lunch boutique. Life-long Portlander Julie Taliento Walsh builds on her reputation for quality, affordable classic fare with vegetarian & gluten-free options served in a setting that feels like home. House-made baked goods, artisan sandwiches, soups, salads, freshly brewed coffee, and daily specials. Breakfast and lunch: Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-3 p.m. 84 Mariginal Way, Portland. 207-400-2533, tallyskitchen.com.

**Twenty Milk Street** welcomes diners with warm, intimate décor and a lovely brick fireplace. Located in the Historic Portland Regency Hotel, we offer Sunday brunch, breakfast, lunch, and dinner, specializing in modern American dishes with a New England flourish. We're proud to serve local produce, seafood and beef, pork, chicken, and turkey from our own farm! 774-4200.

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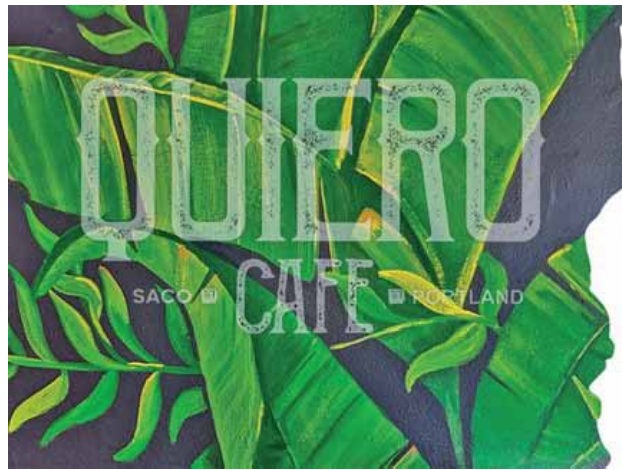
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