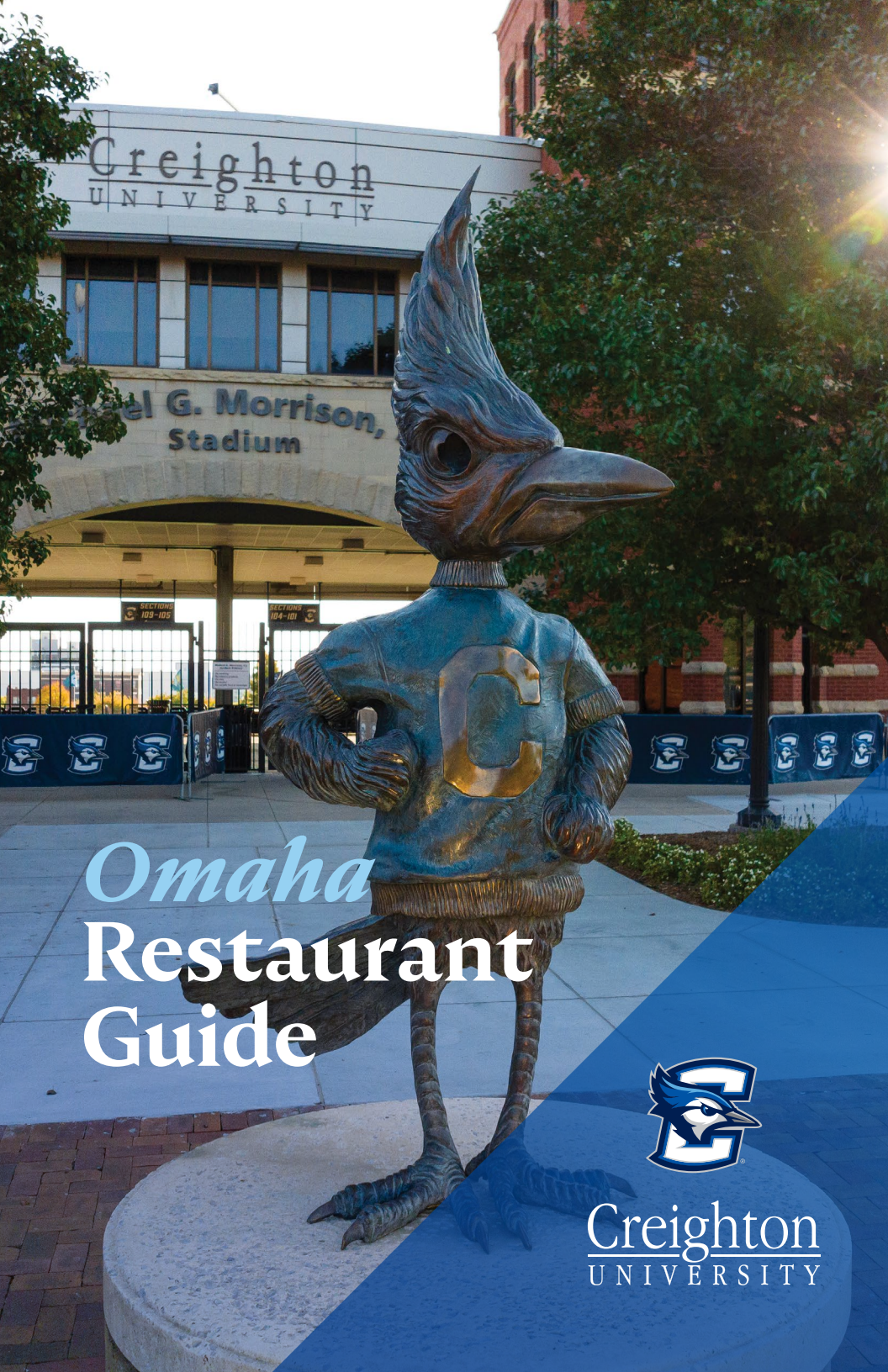


Omaha Restaurant Guide

Creighton
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Welcome to Omaha!

We have lovingly prepared this guide because we are lovers of Omaha cuisine.

All of it—the classic Reuben (invented here!), the steaks (Omaha cut, of course!) and the ice cream. *Food and Wine* magazine named Omaha one of America's Next Great Food Cities, and it's no longer a secret.

Since we hope you will be spending some time here as a student, we wanted to get you started on your foodie expedition.

Whether you seek sushi, are venturing out for vegetarian or want to treat yourself and your family to a world-class steak, it all begins just a couple of blocks off campus.

Bon appétit!

OLD MARKET

Block 16
home-spun street food, sandwiches, burgers, gyros
A James Beard finalist chef, guaranteed to knock your socks off.

Blue Sushi Sake Grill
traditional sushi with an American attitude
Fun atmosphere, great sushi and frequent happy hour specials.

Café Postale
quick-serve restaurant featuring a fresh take on café classics for breakfast and lunch
Historic ambiance of this former Burlington Mail Terminal, loads of vintage charm.

Hiro 88
sushi, Asian fusion cuisine and tapas
Delicious bento boxes, tuna poke and sesame chicken.

Jams Old Market
American grill, cold drinks and creative cocktails
Omaha restaurant legacy with a melting pot of different styles and varieties of food dishes.

Kitchen Table
inventive sandwiches made with fresh ingredients
Check their Facebook page for daily specials. Consistent vegetarian options.

Omaha Tap House
gourmet burgers and other elevated pub grub, plus craft beers on tap
More than a dozen burgers on the menu. Enough said.

Spaghetti Works
Italian cuisine
Omaha institution for over 40 years, offering a unique dining experience in a restored warehouse.

Ted and Wally's
old-fashioned, homemade ice cream
Daily specials and unique flavor combinations. Sometimes has a long line, but well worth the wait.

Trini's
tex-mex chow and margaritas by the pitcher
Locally owned restaurant nestled in the Old Market Passageway.

Twisted Fork Grill and Saloon
contemporary American food with a cowboy twist
From salads to stacked sandwiches, everything on their menu is a win!

Upstream Brewing Company
local brewery featuring American varieties
Plenty of options for everyone. Try their homemade root beer!



V. Mertz
contemporary American restaurant emphasizing the use of local food
Located in the Old Market Passageway, so you can't see it from the street. *(Dinner only)*

Zio's Pizzeria
New York-style pizza, by the slice
Great lunch specials, excellent Thai pizza and calzones.

MILLWORKS COMMONS

Clean Slate Food Co.
healthy, vegetarian and vegan options
Serving breakfast, lunch and ready-to-eat meals using all locally-sourced ingredients.

Coneflower Creamery
handmade ice cream from local ingredients
Tour guide favorite and staple for local ice cream.

Dolomiti Pizzeria & Enoteca
wood-fired sourdough pizza
Neighborhood pizzeria with a northern Italian influence. A variety of appetizers, salads and desserts.

Heirloom Fine Foods Market & Cafe
healthy, delicious and nutritious
Sourcing quality ingredients from local farms and meat suppliers.

Sweet Magnolias Bake Shop
melt-in-your-mouth confections
Boutique bakery known for their soft cinnamon rolls to their signature Brown Sugar Cardamom cake and don't forget their sweet and savory scones.



NORTH DOWNTOWN

Blatt Beer and Table
elevated bar food, on-tap craft beers and a seasonal rooftop beer garden
Named after Rosenblatt Stadium, where College World Series was previously held.

DJs Dugout
voted Omaha's #1 Sports Bar
1/2-pound Angus beef burgers, wings, steaks, sandwiches, nachos and more.

Hook and Lime
seafood-centric, Mexican-inspired tacos, small plates and tequila
Fantastic carnitas and mahi mahi tacos.

The Old Mattress Factory Bar and Grill
American pub chow
Sports bar in an 1883 venue with live music and special events.

Pettit's Pastry
premier supplier of fresh-baked donuts, pastries, cakes and cookies
What may be lacking in flair is more than made up for as soon as a fresh doughnut melts in your mouth.

MIDTOWN CROSSING

Pickleman's Gourmet Café
gourmet sandwich shop
Offers freshly toasted sandwiches, chopped salads, thin-crust pizzas and gourmet soups.

Ray's Pizza Wings and Drinks
from Buffalo to Omaha
Sports bar with classic pub food. Voted best wings 9 out of 10 years.

Smokin' Oak Wood-Fired Pizza and Taproom
Texas-style barbeque restaurant and bar with Texas roots
High-quality smoked meats, craft cocktails, beers and wines.

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BLACKSTONE

Cheeseburgers
guess their specialty?
Burgers—hot dogs—chicken fingers rounded off with fries and a shake or malt.

Coneflower Creamery
handmade ice cream from local ingredients
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Corkscrew Wine and Cheese
wine shop and wine bar under one roof
Choose from 700 wine options and order a cheese board, flatbread, salad or panini to go with it.

Crescent Moon Alehouse
burgers, wings, local and regional beers
Order the Reuben just blocks from where it originated (Blackstone Hotel.)

Early Bird
elevated breakfast, brunch and cocktails 7 days a week
Get brunch every day of the week. Recommended to call ahead.

Mula
street-style Mexican cuisine, handmade tortillas
A fresh, updated twist on Mexican tapas.



Noli's Pizzeria
combining traditional and artisan into a New York-style slice
Great. Authentic Italian ingredients. Get the garlic knots!

DUNDEE

Amsterdam Falafel and Kabob
snug sandwich counter serving Middle Eastern specialties
You can't go wrong with anything from here, but make sure to get curry fries too.

Avoli Osteria
simple, thoughtful dishes indigenous to Northern Italy
Outstanding cuisine—moderate to high-end. Great special date night or special occasion.

eCreamery
ice cream, gelato and sorbet shop
Featured on the TV show "Shark Tank." They do 80% of their business online!

Good Lookin'
"best part of your day café"
Great breakfast sandwiches and homemade pastries. Breakfast, brunch and lunch on Wed-Sun.

Pitch Pizzeria
coal-fired pizza and Italian cuisine
From pizza to pasta to brunch, you can't go wrong; reservations recommended.

AKSARBEN

Herbe Sainte
Cajun and Creole fare and drinks
Delicious jambalaya, etouffee and grits. Weekend brunch.

Inner Rail Food Hall
the place to go when no one can make up their mind on what to have
The food hall includes nine vendors with a variety of cuisines, all surrounding a central bar. Good spot for vegan options and indoor/outdoor seating.

Le Peep
voted Omaha's Best Breakfast year after year
Features a menu that reads like a cookbook with line after line of intriguing food options.

Ponzu Sushi and Grill
a trendy spot for contemporary takes on sushi, Asian Fusion grilled plates and stylish cocktails
Located in the heart of Aksarben and will please every palate.



NORTH OMAHA

Alpine Inn
home of the wildlife
This fried chicken joint has been open for over 50 years and allows you to toss your scraps to the resident raccoons who live outside the restaurant.

Au Courant Regional Kitchen
a modern European kitchen
Dishes focus on regional ingredients in a friendly and approachable atmosphere. A 6-course chef's tasting menu that changes weekly is their specialty.

Big Mama's Kitchen
second-generation soul food
Family-owned restaurant specializing in the rich flavors of classic comfort dishes from recipes over 100 years old.

The Cabin Bar and Grill
comfortable, cozy atmosphere
Perfected the art of "bar food" with an expansive menu.

El Muchacho Alegre
authentic Mexican cuisine
Fresh ingredients, cooked according to time-honored family recipes with a dash of inspiration for a delicious dining experience and something for everyone.

Jackson's Fair Deal Café
real food, real fast
By Omaha Natives. Try the North Omaha Breakfast Casserole—as they say, "It's so good ... It don't make no sense."

Taco Co.
las recitas son de su abuela
On the main street in the Benson neighborhood. Puffy shell tacos and sides that you can order family style.

Virtuoso Pizzeria
by the slice and whole pie
Made fresh from scratch, all items on this menu are truly Virtuoso and you can taste the difference.

OTHER SPOTS AROUND OMAHA

Don Carmelo's Pizzeria
award-winning NY style pizza, authentic Stromboli and Calzones
3rd generation (and Creighton grad) still cooking up their Sicilian family recipes at 2 locations around Omaha.

Greek Islands
you know you want to shout it, OPA!
An Omaha favorite for over 30 years, this is THE place for Greek cuisine.

La Casa Pizzeria
legendary pizza and pasta since 1953
Run by the third generation of Patane family members, still at the original location.

Lisa's Radial Café
classic breakfast and lunch diner close to campus
Great breakfast place. Open early morning to 2 pm every day.

Monarch Restaurant
upscale American kitchen
Exclusive theatre menu and charming dining room and lounge are sure to please.

Salween Thai
some like it hot—go for a level 5 or above
A favorite of students for the great food at fair prices and generous portions. Choose your spice level, 1-10. The Pad Thai is always a winner.

Sips on 10th
brunch? yes please
Enjoy delicious seasonal fare and culturally diverse foods that pair well with your favorite drink. Don't forget to make plans for their weekend brunches, guaranteed to energize your day.

Stella's Bar and Grill
down-to-earth staple known for hand-pressed burgers served on napkins
Frequently listed as Omaha's best burger.

STEAKHOUSES

801 Chophouse
sharp, white-tablecloth spot serving a menu of upscale steakhouse classics including fresh seafood
Yes, you can find an 801 Chophouse in cities other than Omaha, but only in five, so we've included it on the list as it is a recurring favorite in the Big O.

Brother Sebastian's Steakhouse
choice cuts delivered by staff dressed as monks in cozy digs
Early California mission décor with great steaks. Perfect spot for a special dinner. Reservations recommended.

Cascio's Steakhouse
storied family-owned bar and grill offering steaks, pizza and Italian fare
Old-school place that never fails to deliver. Generations of the Cascio family have kept this steakhouse a perennial favorite in Omaha. Open Wednesday—Sunday.

The Committee Chophouse
a return to the art of the chophouse
High-end, contemporary dining in historical digs. Reservations are recommended.



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STEAKHOUSES CONT.

The Drover
landmark chophouse specializing in steaks marinated in whiskey and then grilled to order
Well-known old-school salad bar, it's worth the short drive from campus to find The Drover. Reservations recommended.

Gorat's Steakhouse
local fixture offering steaks, salads and sandwiches in an old-time environment
Warren Buffet's choice for steaks in Omaha—do you need more than that? Some gluten-free options are available.

J. Gilberts
wood-fired steaks and seafood
Serves Midwestern raised, USDA Prime Black Angus beef cooked over an open wood-fire grill. Delivers a fine-dining meal in a down-to-earth atmosphere.

Johnny's Café
1922 chophouse highlighting Midwest beef, including steaks aged on-site
Local, family-run steakhouse. The décor is a treat.

Mahogany Prime Steakhouse
upscale chophouse chain branch presenting prime beef and seafood in a white-tablecloth dining room
Often listed as one of the top fine dining experiences in Omaha. Dinner hours only, closed Sunday. Reservations recommended.

COFFEE, TEA, PLEASE!

Archetype Coffee
Artemis Tea and Botanical
Astute Coffee
Hardy Coffee Co.
Myrtle & Cypress
Rally Coffee Co.
Stories Coffee Company
Zen Coffee Company



NEXT-LEVEL NUTRITION

The Grove Juicery
Vitality Bowls
Ital Vital Living

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