



WHAT'S NEW IN

RALEIGH

CULINARY: MICHELIN GUIDE AMERICAN SOUTH SELECTED 14 RALEIGH-AREA RESTAURANTS



BIB GOURMAND

Awarded to those that serve memorable meals at reasonable prices – celebrating restaurants that make outstanding dining accessible to everyone.



📍 Sam Jones BBQ, Raleigh



📍 Prime Barbecue, Knightdale



📍 Mala Pata, Raleigh

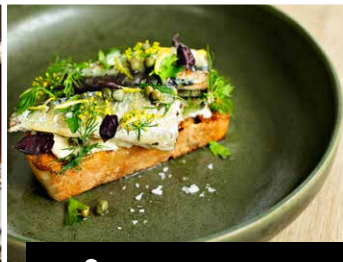
The newest restaurant on the list, Mala Pata is an heirloom masa-driven masterpiece from chef Angela Salamanca celebrating Latin American traditions with modern flair.



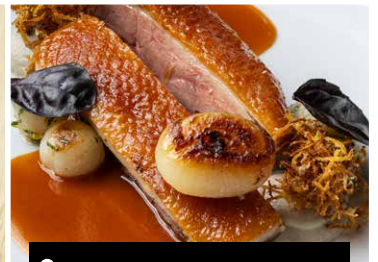
MICHELIN RECOMMENDED Restaurants that inspectors feel are truly worth a visit for their quality, creativity and consistency.



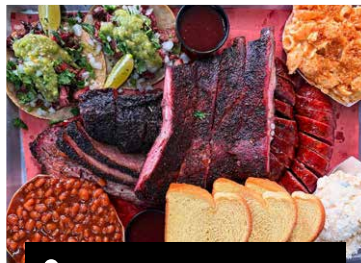
📍 Brewery Bhavana, Raleigh



📍 Brodeto, Raleigh



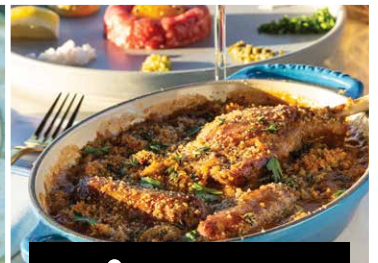
📍 Crawford and Son, Raleigh



📍 Dampf Good BBQ, Cary



📍 Herons, Cary



📍 Jolie, Raleigh



📍 The Pit, Raleigh



📍 Poole's Diner, Raleigh



📍 Stanbury, Raleigh



📍 St. Roch Fine Oysters + Bar, Raleigh

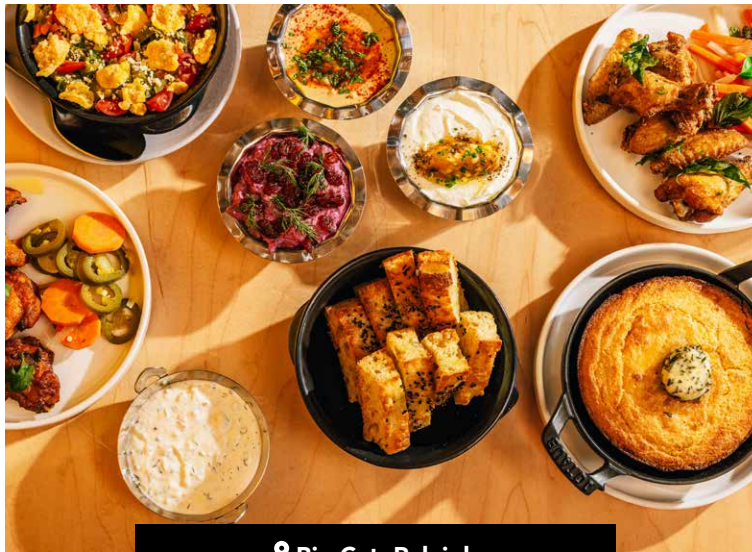


📍 Tamasha Modern Indian, Raleigh

RESTAURANT NEWS



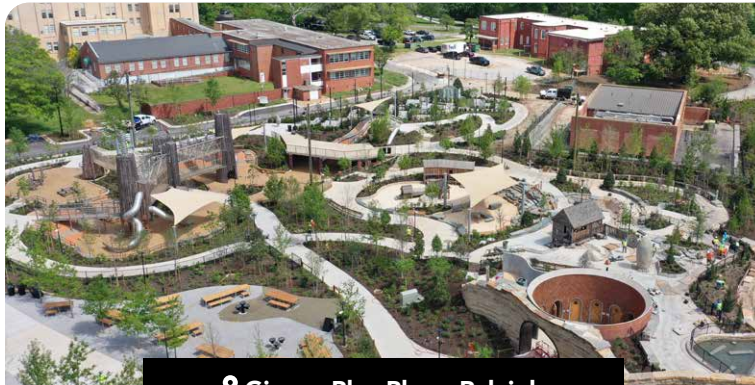
Big Cat is part neighborhood tavern, part sandwich counter and part market — a new hangout bringing fresh energy to Raleigh's dining scene. This lively spot springs from a powerhouse crew: Cheetie Kumar and Paul Siler (Ajja), Angela Salamanca and Marshall Davis (Mala Pata, Centro) and Justin Pasfield (Locals Seafood, Person Street Bar, Natural Science). Think good food, good vibes and a whole lot of personality under one roof.



📍 Big Cat, Raleigh



NOTEWORTHY ATTRACTIONS



📍 Gipson Play Plaza, Raleigh

Gipson Play Plaza is now open, offering a vibrant space for all ages and serving as a major gateway into Dorothea Dix Park. The 18-acre area features new landscaping, fountains, gardens, a waterfall, an amphitheater, picnic spots and an adventurous playground with climbing towers, swings and more. It's just one fraction of the beautiful 308-acre Dix Park on the edge of downtown Raleigh. It's a can't miss attraction for families, history buffs and outdoor enthusiasts alike.



📍 Liberation Station, Raleigh

Liberation Station is more than just a bookstore, it is a place to belong. The space was created because Black children deserve to see themselves fully and beautifully reflected. It's where community gathers, stories are affirmed and Black joy is nurtured.



📍 Newsagent's, Raleigh

Raleigh's newest physical media heaven, The Newsagent's celebrates everything you can hold, hear and discover. From books and vinyl to films and delightfully odd finds, it's all curated with one mission: preserving the good stuff — no algorithms, no gatekeepers, just pure discovery.

HOTELS COMING SOON



📍 Hotel Indigo, Raleigh

With interior architecture and furniture paying homage to its original 1960s design, downtown Raleigh's iconic round tower is scheduled to reopen as the Hotel Indigo Raleigh Downtown in Fall 2026. The 19-story boutique property will feature 204 rooms, a ground-floor café and a circular penthouse cocktail lounge on the top floor.



📍 The Gables, Raleigh

The Gables, a charmingly renovated motor lodge that is also referred to as a "traveler's retreat" from 1928, is scheduled to open in Raleigh later this summer.

Other new and notable hotels include the Five Star Five Diamond The Umstead Hotel and Spa, Westin Raleigh-Durham Airport and Dual Brand Homewood Suites and Tempo by Hilton.

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