

The Flat Hat

Restaurant Guide to Williamsburg

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R — Reservations accepted

WD — Within walking distance

BW — Has won the Best of Williamsburg

C — Chain Restaurant

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For a taste of Americana

From dress-up to hang-out, the variety of the restaurants in Williamsburg satisfy any appetite or fit any budget.

Known for being an impressive place for first date (and guaranteed second date), the Trellis Restaurant is one of the top restaurants in the area. The choice between of boneless duck breast, sea scallops and beef tenderloin steak among other delectable dishes is a difficult one. Make sure to bring a credit card or two, because anything from this elegant restaurant is going to cost you.

For those on a budget, Williamsburg offers an array of other items that fit a little more into the price range. America is the melting pot, so when looking for a taste of Americana in Williamsburg, you can

get everything for bagels to at Big Apple Bagels to pigeon at the Blue Talon. Independent restaurants abound for you to try duck and lamb, but there's no place like Rudy Tuesdays for an All-American burger. Get a real southern breakfast complete with Virginia ham and eggs and the Chickahominy House, and load up on your starches (grits, potatoes and biscuits) at Cracker Barrel.

Blue Talon Bistro

420 Prince George St.
476-BLUE
Monday to Saturday
Dinner: 5 to 11 p.m.

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Trellis Restaurant

403 Duke of Gloucester
229-8610

www.thetrellis.com
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch
5 to 9:30 p.m. Dinner

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The Trellis is the up-scale dining option in Merchant Square. But even if one can't afford an entire meal, their Death by Chocolate is simply to die for.

— E.I and L.H.



SARAH HIRSH + THE FLAT HAT

Newly opened, the Blue Talon is within walking distance.

A Carrol's Bistro

601 Prince George St.
258-8882

Lunch: Monday to Friday:
11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Dinner: Monday to Thurs-
day: 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Friday and Saturday: 5:30
to 10:30
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Country Harvest Buffet

1425 Richmond Road
229-2698

Open seven days a week
Breakfast 8 to 11:30 a.m.
Dinner 4 to 8:30 p.m.
Sunday Brunch noon to 4
p.m.
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Friendly's

1803 Richmond Road
220-2635
www.friendlys.com

Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch
5 to 9:30pm Dinner

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Applebee's

1640 Richmond Road
564-7274

Open seven days a week
5 — 10 p.m.

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Cracker Barrel Country Store

200 Bypass Road
220-3384

www.crackerbarrel.com
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch
5 to 9:30pm Dinner

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New England Grill Down East

264 McLaws Circle
258-0982

Open
Lunch
Dinner

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Big Apple Bagels

1222 Richmond Road
253-8456

Open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon-
day through Friday, 6 a.m. to 5
p.m. Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5
p.m. Sunday

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Fat Canary

410 Duke of Gloucester
229-3333

Open seven days a week
5 to 10 p.m. Dinner

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New England Grill & Market

6925 Richmond Road
220-2910

www.ontheline.com/restau-
rants/category.html
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch
5 to 9:30pm Dinner

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Blue Plate Diner

6380 Richmond Road
258-1924

Open Tuesday to Sunday
6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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Ford's Colony Country Club Dining Room

258-4107

Open Tuesday to Saturday
6 to 9 p.m. Dinner.
Grille Room 11:30 a.m. to
5 p.m. Lunch, 5 to 8 p.m.
Dinner

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Old Chickahominy House 1211 Jamestown Road

229-4689

www.visitwilliamsburg.com/
old_chickahominy_house.
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Lunch
Dinner

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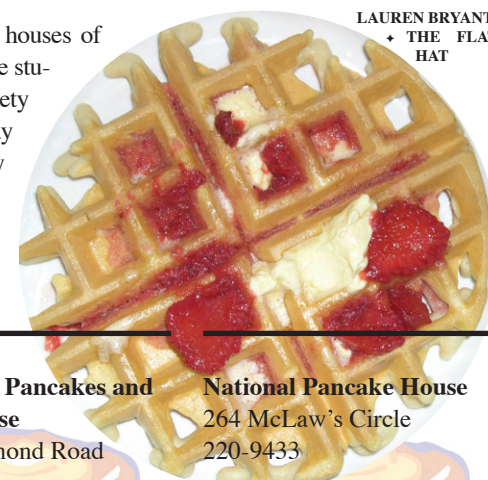
You will slip for pancakes, Belgian waffles

Blueberries, strawberries, whipped cream and powdered sugar; start the day off right with a hearty breakfast. Sure, the Commons and Center Court offer a decent waffle bar, but if you're tired of pressing your own, there are lots of places in Williamsburg to try for a change. Sample a series of syrups at the International House of Pancakes

Mama Steve's. Relatively inexpensive, the pancake and waffle houses of Williamsburg offer a sweet splurge for the penny-pinching college student. Pancakes are fun, cheap and come in an almost endless variety of flavors, from chocolate chip to banana nut. And though it may sound ridiculous to order, names like Rooty Tooty Fresh and Fruity trip over the tongue as well as stimulate it. Go international with Belgian waffles and French toast. The many pancake and waffle houses in Williamsburg offer something for everyone to start the day off right.

— E.I.

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Andy's Pancake House
2227 Richmond Road
220-4786

Call for hours

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Capitol Pancake and Waffle House
802 Capitol Landing Road
564-1238

www.pancakehouses.verizon-supersite.com
Open seven days a week
6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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International House of Pancakes

1412 Richmond Road
229-9628
www.ihop.com
Open Sunday to Thursday:
6 a.m. to 1 a.m.
Friday to Saturday: 24 hours

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Sammy and Nick's Pancake and Waffle House

7129 Pocahontas Trail
229-3717

Call for hours.

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Maple Tree Pancakes and Waffle House

1665 Richmond Road
220-3544

Open seven days a week
7 a.m. to noon

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National Pancake House

264 McLaw's Circle

220-9433

Call for hours

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Colonial Pancake House

100 Page Street
253-5852
www.visitwilliamsburg.com/colonial_pancake_house.htm
Open seven days a week
7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Old Mill House of Pancakes and Waffles

2005 Richmond Road
229-3613
Call for hours.

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Start the day off right with breakfast at Mama Steve's House of Pancakes. The meals, served in their Dutch Colonial dining room, are large and just may fill you up for the day.

Ruby Tuesday
1840 Richmond Road
229-0494

www.rubytuesday.com
Monday to Thursday: 11 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Friday to Saturday: 11 a.m. to midnight
Sunday: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
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Seasons Cafe
110 South Henry Street
259-0018

Open seven days a week
Lunch
Dinner

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Belgian Waffles
7243 Pocahontas Trail
229-6018

Call for hours.

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Gazebo House of Pancakes and Waffles
409 Bypass Road
220-0883

www.thegazeborestaurant.com
Open seven days a week
6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Mama Steve's House of Pancakes
1509 Richmond Road
229-7613

www.visitwilliamsburg.com/mama_steves.htm
Open seven days a week
7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Sunrise Pancake and Waffle House
1750 Pocahontas Trail
220-0361

Call for hours.

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FEAST ON YOUR FOUR-LEGGED FRIENDS

♦ Area offers delicious variety of surf and turf



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Chefs at the Kyoto Japanese Steak & Seafood House entertain as they prepare your food right in front of you.

Steakhouses are usually casual places for a weekend meal. Many of the steakhouses around the College, however, don't fit this description. Many of them are formal and pricey, but there are some that offer a more relaxing atmosphere.

Also, nearly all of the steak restaurants in the area offer seafood selections as well as steak.

The Aberdeen Barn has a reputation for excellence in the area, and it has won several Best in Williamsburg awards. Yorkshire Steak and Seafood has a similar reputation and offers a ten percent off coupon for an entire meal, available at its website.

At the Kingsmill Restaurants, Regatta, Eagles and Bray Bistro also offer high-quality cuts of steak, from salmon to beef. They all offer traditionally elegant choices like lamb chops, veal and swordfish. They cater to unusual diets as well. Bray Bistro offers a vegetarian option in its selection of main entrees, a white bean cassoulet. Eagles has a daily vegetarian special as well, and both restaurants are willing to cook any entree to order.

The only steakhouse within reasonable walking distance from the campus is Cornerstone Grill and Bar, and that restaurant is still slightly over a mile away. Cornerstone is well known for the quality of its bar service and has won several Best in Williamsburg awards for it.

The Cities Grille and

Wine Shop prides itself on "American style" cuisine always prepared in a unique way. They offer much more than steak, including crab cakes, duck and lamb. Its adjacent wine shop also serves as the wine list for the restaurant.

Harvest Grille, located in the Williamsburg Marriot, is a casual restaurant that serves a variety of dishes. It doesn't really have the feel of a steakhouse, because it serves breakfast as well as dinner.

CB Wood Grill is a reasonably priced buffet-style steakhouse. Their buffet offers pizza, dozens of sides and a salad bar. On its own, the buffet is \$7.99 on weekends. If ordered with an entree — chicken, steak, or fish — the buffet is an additional \$3.99. CB has a very casual western theme, and the reasonable prices make it a good choice if the whole family is visiting for parents' weekend.

Aberdeen Barn

1601 Richmond Rd.
229-6661
www.aberdeen-barn.com
Sunday to Thursday
5 to 9:30 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
5 to 10 p.m.

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Kingsmill Restaurants

Eagles
100 Golf Club Rd.
253-3900
Friday and Saturday
6 to 10 p.m.
Sunday
5 to 10 p.m.

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Kingsmill Restaurants

Regatta
100 Golf Club Rd.
253-3900
Friday and Saturday
6 to 10 p.m.
Sunday
5 to 10 p.m.

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Kyoto Japanese Steak & Seafood House

1621 Richmond Road
220-8888
http://www.visitwilliamsburg.com/kyoto2.htm
Sunday to Thursday
4 to 10 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
4 to 10:30 p.m.
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Yorkshire Steak and Seafood Restaurant

700 York St
229-9790
www.theyorkshirerestaurant.com
Open daily
5 to 10 p.m.

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Fireside Chop House

1995 Richmond Rd.
229-3310
www.firesidechophouse.com
Monday to Saturday
4:30 to 9 p.m.
Sunday 12 to 9 p.m.

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Kingsmill Restaurants

Bray Bistro
100 Golf Club Rd.
253-3900
Friday and Saturday
6 to 10 p.m.
Sunday
5 to 10 p.m.

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Cities Grille & Wine Shop

4511C John Tyler Highway
564-3955
www.citiesgrilles.com
Sunday to Thursday
5 to 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
5 to 10 p.m.

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Dakota Bay Grille

(formerly Yukon Steak Co)
1735 Richmond Rd.
229-1501
www.dakotabaygrille.com
Sunday to Thursday
4:30 to 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
4:30 to 10 p.m.
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Outback Steakhouse

3026 Richmond Rd.
229-8648
www.outback.com
Mon. to Thurs. 4 to 10 p.m.
Friday 4 to 10:30 p.m.
Saturday 2 to 10:30 p.m.
Sunday 2 to 9:30 p.m.
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Cornerstone Grill and Bar

1203 Richmond Rd.
259-7300
www.cornerstonegrill.com
Monday to Saturday
4:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Closed Sundays
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CB Wood Grill

6678 Richmond Rd.
565-2800
http://bestofwilliamsburg.com/cb
Open daily
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
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Harvest Grille

50 Kingsmill Rd. (at the Williamsburg Marriot)
220-2500
Open daily
5 to 10 p.m.
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Anyone looking for a typical steakhouse atmosphere should consider Outback Steakhouse, Fireside Chop House, or Dakota Bay Grille (formerly Yukon Steak Company). These offer a more casual western atmosphere with moderate pricing.

— J.C.



ENJOY TASTY TREASURES OF THE DEEP

Of the exclusively seafood restaurants in the area, only Berret's Seafood Restaurant is within reasonable walking distance of campus, and it is very close, located in Merchant's Square. This makes it the most convenient seafood choice for parents' weekend by far.

However, the seafood restaurants farther off-campus should not be ignored. The Whaling Company, Seafare of Williamsburg, and Berret's have all won Best in Williamsburg awards. Seafare of Williamsburg has also won awards for the best crabcakes in the area for 10 consecutive years. Seafare is one of the most formal restaurants in the area, calling for a specific dress code. Captain George's Seafood Restaurant offers an extensive seafood buffet. The buffet holds more than 70 items, including crab legs, spiced shrimp, salmon, fresh vegetables, salads and desserts. Red Lobster, Backfin Seafood Restaurant and Raw Bar and Shackelford's II offer more moderately priced seafood. Shackelford's II offers specials on certain meals every night of the week, except Friday and Saturday. Backfin Seafood Restaurant is advertised as the locals' choice for seafood, as they do not cater specifically to tourists. Their fare is also caught locally. The seafood options in the area are abundant.

— J.C.

Seafare of Williamsburg
1632 Richmond Rd
229-0099

Monday to Saturday
4 to 11 p.m.
Sunday
12 to 10 p.m.

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The Whaling Company
494 McLaws Circle
229-0275

www.whalingcompany.com
Open daily
4:30 to 10 p.m.

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Captain George's Seafood Restaurant

5363 Richmond Rd
565-2323
www.captaingeorges.com
Friday 4:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Saturday 4 to 9:30 p.m.
Sunday lunch buffet 12 to 4
dinner buffet 4 to 9:30

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Backfin Seafood Restaurant and Raw Bar

3701 Strawberry Plains Rd
565-5430
www.backfinrestaurant.com
Monday to Saturday
lunch 11 to 3
dinner 4:30 to 9
Closed Sundays

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Berret's Seafood Restaurant

199 South Boundary St (in Merchant's Square)
253-1847
http://berrets.atendesign-group.com
Open daily;
lunch 11:30 to 3:30
dinner 5:30 to 10
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Red Lobster
2100 Richmond Rd
221-8127
www.redlobster.com
Monday to Saturday
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Sunday
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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Shackelford's II Restaurant and Raw Bar
4640 Monticello Avenue
258-5559
www.shackelfords.com
Open daily
4 to 11 p.m.

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SARAH HIRSH + THE FLAT HAT
Berret's is located in Merchant's Square, making it a convenient spot for students to stop and satisfy their craving for seafood.

Double D Ribhouse

7093 Pocahontas Trail
229-3166
Open daily
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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Prime Rib House

1433 Richmond Rd
299-6823
www.primeribhouse.com
Sun. to Thurs. 4:30 to 9:30
Fri. and Sat. 4:30 to 10:30

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FILL THE BOTTOMLESS PITT

Barbecue and ribs are very popular meal choices for college students because of their availability and generally cheap price tag. Most of the restaurants that specialize in barbecue around the college are too far for walking, so those that don't have cars miss out on the tasty entrees. For those with cars, however, the restaurants provide an easy alternative to another dinner on campus.

Pierce's Bar-B-Que is popular among students because it is cheap and portable, not to mention quite tasty. Beyond that, Pierce's offers reasonably-priced half and full racks of ribs. The atmosphere is casual and comfortable,

and even a trip with the whole family on parents' weekend won't put too much of a strain on the wallet. The Double D Rib House offers fare in roughly the same price range as Pierce's, but a different atmosphere.

For a classier (and inevitably more expensive) experience, the Prime Rib House is also nearby. Besides ribs, they offer steak and seafood, from lobster tail to salmon. The Prime Rib House is known for its selection of wines, and the servers will gladly recommend the perfect wine from their impressive selection.

Red Hot and Blue, a chain barbecue restaurant, offers fare that is more moderately priced.

Williamsburg definitely has no shortage of barbecue and ribs, the classic American favorites. Most of these establishments offer pork and chicken barbecue as well as beef, for those who are slightly more health-conscious.

— J.C.



LAUREN BRYANT + THE FLAT HAT

Pierce's Bar-B-Que is a favorite among students and locals alike.

Not your Jewish grandmother's deli

Students quickly learn that the various delis located off campus aren't typical delicatessans, but rather they serve a double purpose of restaurant and bar. Paul's Delly, the Green Leaf Cafe and the College Delly are located within easy walking distance of campus on Scotland Street and Richmond Road. All three hangouts provide students with a relaxed, casual environment for socializing and enjoying delicious off-campus food.

The delis offer an eclectic mix of American and international cuisine, specializing in Italian, Middle Eastern and Greek entrees, with pizza, burgers and seafood among the perennial favorites with both students and community members.

The delis are great places for parents and family members to treat their college students to an excellent, inexpensive meal when they visit on family weekend. The delis do not provide the same high quality and high price experience as the Trellis Restaurant, but these family-friendly establishments provide a great way for people to get a first-hand taste of a local eating tradition and culture.

Later in the evening, the delis serve a more deviant purpose, transforming into local bars where many of-age College students and members of the Williamsburg community can congregate and socialize on the weekends.

— A.Z.



College Delly and Pizza Restaurant

336 Richmond Road
229-8610
Open seven days a week
10:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Green Leaf Cafe

765 Scotland Street
220-2405
www.greenleaf.com
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Paul's Delly Restaurant and Pizza

761 Scotland Street
229-8976
Open seven days a week
10:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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LAUREN BRYANT ♦ THE FLAT HAT
Top: The Green Leaf Cafe and Paul's Deli, located on Scotland Street are two popular restaurants off campus for students to frequent. Left: The College Delly offers sandwich favorites for the off campus dining and provide the night life for students.

Keeping it simple with made-to-order sandwiches

If you're interested in getting a great sandwich for lunch in town without spending a lot of time or money in a sit-down restaurant, you should visit one of Williamsburg's sandwich shops. The four establishments listed below offer varying options for lunch or a light dinner, from scrumptious wraps

at Wawa to delicacies like fancy cheese sandwiches at the Cheese Shoppe, with many varieties to excite anyone's palate.

A plethora of dining opportunities are available at sandwich shops right around campus in Merchant's Sqaure and

surrounding areas of Colonial Williamsburg, and Wawa is located on Richmond Road right across the street from Blow Memorial Hall, making it a convenient place to grab a mid-night snack or buy some other convenience store items. You can submit your order via the in-store computer terminal and have it ready by the time you've paid.

New to Williamsburg this year is the British Corner Shoppe & Café on Prince George Street. The café replaces Obee's, another restaurant that specialized in sandwiches, soup and subs. The new restaurant offers an excellent venue to enjoy a great lunch in the center of Colonial Williamsburg and within easy walking distance of campus and local area attractions.

— A.Z.



British Corner Shoppe & Café

604 Prince George Street
645-3100
www.britishcornershoppe.com
11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon to Fri
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday
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Cheese Shoppe

Merchants Square
410 Duke of Glouster Street
220-0298
Open seven days a week
10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Saturday
11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday
\$
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Wawa

315 Richmond Road
258-1322
www.wawa.com
Open 24 Hours

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Padow's Hams and Deli

1258 Richmond Road
220-4267
10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday

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Top: Obee's recently became the British Corner Shoppe & Cafe, and it remains a place to get sandwiches, soup and salad. Wawa, pictured directly above, is an inexpensive place to get wraps.

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Sushi, Teriyaki, Shabu-Shabu, Bulgoki & More
- great value meal served at lunch Monday thru Saturday
- take-out menu, party room & catering available

special offers

-10% off with student ID during dinner hours
-\$1.00/piece Sushi Night every Tuesday*
*on selected sushi only/not valid with any other offers

757-564-0800

153 Monticello Ave. Williamsburg, VA 23185
(next to Plan 9 in Williamsburg shopping center)

Night on the town ... colonial style

415 Grill

415 Richmond Road
229-4020
Open seven days a week
11:30 a.m. to 12 a.m.

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The Library Tavern

1330 Richmond Rd.
229-1012
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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The Pub Restaurant

5601 Richmond Road
565-2726
Open seven days a week
5 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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For a relaxed, casual dining experience, Williamsburg offers many options in the form of tavern style dining. Leave your colonial garments at home; these taverns are not operated like the ones located in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg. They provide patrons with great contemporary food and generally feature bars.

These taverns also feature prices that are more appealing than the colonial taverns, while offering hearty favorites like sandwiches, hamburgers and various basket platters. Their quaint, family friendly environments allow students and families alike to enjoy the fare.

Some, like The Pub Restaurant on Richmond Road feature live music to complement the meal and provide a certain ambiance that one might expect from such establishments. The Second Street Restaurant and Tavern gives College students 10 percent off their checks.

Reservations may be made at most of the taverns, and are necessary for Rosie Rumpé's Regal Dumpe.

— A.Z.

Polo Club Restaurant and Tavern

Colony Square Shopping Center
220-1122
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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Rosie Rumpé's Regal Dumpe

1402 Richmond Road
565-4443
www.rosierumpes.com
Call for reservation times

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Second Street Restaurant and Tavern

140 2nd Street
220-2286
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sun. to Thurs.
11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Fri. to Sat.
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Rosie Rumpé's Regal Dumpe offers diners dinner and a show while being served by wenches

Bones Grand Slam Eatery and Sports Bar

351 York Street
229-4100
Open seven days a week
6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Mon. to Fri.
6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sat. to Sun.
\$

Holiday Inn Patriot

3032 Richmond Road
565-2600
Open seven days a week
7 to 10 a.m. Breakfast
5:30 to 9 p.m. Dinner

\$

Hooters

112 Bypass Road
221-9570
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to midnight Mon. to Thurs.
11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Fri. to Sat.
noon to 11 p.m. Sunday

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LAUREN PUTNOCKY ♦ THE FLAT HAT

Second Street Restaurant offers good food and friendly atmosphere, not far off campus.

Make a short stop to eat

Football, hearty, inexpensive meals, and full bars appeal to more than a few college students, and Williamsburg's assortment of sports bars are popular places to hang out, enjoy a drink or a meal, and watch a game on television.

College students can meet and relax at the bar and enjoy a number of grill items away from dining hall food like a loaded hamburger or a hearty sandwich.

Many of the restaurants are situated in local hotels, such as the Back Nine restaurant in the Holiday Inn Patriot, Bones Grand Slam Eatery in the Sheraton, Pitchers in the Marriott, and 415 Grill in the Hospitality House. While they are billed as bars, and with the exception of Hooters, they all provide exceptional places where families can go to enjoy a wholesome meal.

Hooters was recently added to the community of restaurants despite protests from some Williamsburg residents, providing a popular place for many to dine, especially young College males.

— A.Z.

Pitchers Sports Bar

50 Kingsmill Road
220-2500
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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Short Stop Deli

7123 Merrimac Trail
229-1388
Open seven days a week
10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Mon. to Sat.
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

\$

The Sportsman's Grill

Marketplace Shopping Center
221-8002
11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Mon. to Sat.

\$

Chocolate, candies and coffee abound in the 'Burg

Aroma's Fine Coffees Teas & Bake Shop

431 Prince George Street
229-6676

Open seven days a week
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday
7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Mon. to
Thurs.

7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fri. & Sat
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Brusters

5289 John Tyler Highway
220-8930

Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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Williamsburg has a plethora of avenues for the gourmand to indulge his or her sweet tooth.

From savory, gourmet coffee and pastries available at Aroma's, to heaping specialty ice cream sundaes at Cold Stone Creamery, to delectable chocolates and other fine candies at Wythe Candy and Gourmet Shop, the Freshman 15 is well within any College student's reach, regardless of class.

While in all these shops, items are available for under \$10, some are decidedly fancier, and pricier, than others. Cold Stone Creamery, for example, finds its niche in gourmet ice cream, blending enticing sundaes, while

Sno-To-Go offers quality desserts without the expensive price tag. Brusters Ice Cream also provides a great place to seek a cold treat for the last remaining warm days of the year.

Steeps Tea Tavern and Aroma's are great places to meet friends and enjoy a quick study break. Aroma's offers lunch and dinner on top of caffeinated drinks, serving entrees, soups, salads, and sandwiches daily. For a lighter fare, Steeps Tea Tavern sells prepared sandwiches and salads for the enjoyment of their customers.

— A.Z., photo by Peggy Newman



Cold Stone Creamery

4615 Monticello Avenue
258-1100

Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sun. to
Thurs.

11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

\$

Steeps Tea Tavern

110 South Henry Street
Merchants Square
220-8190

Open seven days a week
8:30 a.m. — 9 p.m. Mon.
to Sat.

10 a.m. — 6 p.m. Sunday

\$

Sno-To-Go

2229 Richmond Road
229-0017

Open Seasonally
Closed for the season

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Wythe Candy and Gourmet Shop

414 Duke of Gloucester
Street

229-4406

Open seven days a week
9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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Aroma's coffee house gives students a place to warm their bodies and take a break from all the studying.

Cold Stone Creamery Creations

It's easy to be overwhelmed at the new Cold Stone Creamery. You can create your very own flavor from one of 16 bases and over 30 "mix-ins" (almost any candy, nut, fruit, or baked good you can imagine). Or, choose from one of 34 "Cold Stone Originals" — delicious combinations already made up for you.

- Get the "like it" size.
- And if you find a creation you like, get a hand-packed pint—it's less expensive and you can still pick your own base and mix ins.

• If you're watching the calories, try the "Sinless Sweet Cream" base.

Of course, reckless experimentation is always more fun than a ready-made flavor.

Some actual Cold Stone creations from W&M students:

- Pink Elephant Implosion — White chocolate base with black cherries,

snickers, chocolate chip cookie dough and hot fudge. *Sensory overload.*

- The Crim Dell — Mint ice cream with caramel, fudge and pineapple. *Peaceful on the surface, with a hidden kick.*

- The Flat Hat — French vanilla ice cream with hot fudge and strawberries. *It's black and white and red all over.*

- The Black Sheep — White chocolate ice cream with chocolate chips, fudge, and blackberries.

- Caf-tastic Chip Swirl — Sweet cream yogurt with white & dark chocolate chips and caramel.

- Toy Box — Oreo ice cream with M&M's, Reese's Cups and gummy bears.

- Sugar Pie Honey Crunch — sweet cream iced cream, apple pie filling, honey and pecans.

— compiled by meghan schulz

Dine in colonial fashion at Williamsburg taverns

Christiana Campbell's

Colonial Williamsburg
1-800-TAVERNS

Tues. to Sun.
Dinner from 5 p.m.

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Chowning's Tavern

Colonial Williamsburg
1-800-TAVERNS

Open seven days a week.
Snack Bar from 11:30 a.m. to
5 p.m. and Gambols period
program from 5 p.m.

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King's Arms Tavern

Colonial Williamsburg
1-800-TAVERNS

Wed. to Mon. serves lunch
from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Dinner from 5 p.m.

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Shields Tavern

Colonial Williamsburg
1-800-TAVERNS

Fri. to Tues.. lunch from
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Gar-
den service 11:30 a.m. to 4
p.m.

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In order to have a truly "colonial experience," taverns are a must. That is if you can get past the fact that men in tights and "serving wenches" are bringing out your food. And along with a taste of 18th-century dining, taverns offer entertainment such as period music.

Don't expect to just show up and eat, though. Except

for at Chowning's Tavern, the "September 2004 Guide to Dining and Shopping in Williamsburg" recommends reservations at all taverns and restaurants.

So when your parents are in this weekend, go with them to try out a tavern, and let them pick up the pricey check.

—C.R.



Add some spice to your daily diet

◆ Diversify your diet with French, Mexican cuisine

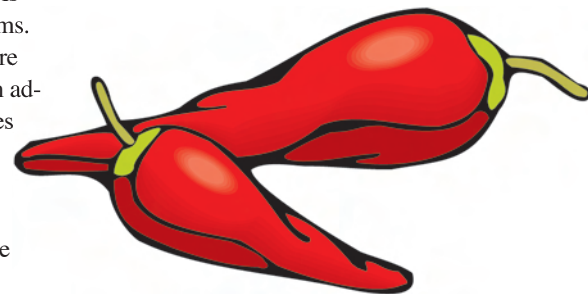
Williamsburg offers two fine French restaurants, the White Hall Restaurant and La Yacca, with food that will broaden your horizons in international cooking. Their five-star ratings are well-earned. Their food, service and ambiance provide individuals with the perfect romantic setting. Elaborate dining rooms and table settings leave the patron in awe: not to mention the Chateau-briand. Though worth it, the price is way out of reach for most college students.

For those looking for a more affordable international food option, there are several Mexican restaurants that fit more within the price range of col-

lege students. Several even offer student discounts or coupons can be found if one takes a few minutes to search online. They offer traditional food, good service and all the chips and salsa one can eat. Each offers something unique to the hungry dinner. As a chain, Chili's offer's a wide range of food items. Casa Maya provides a taste of the Mayan culture and can be brought straight to your doorstep. In addition, the extra cilantro in their salsa that comes with any order gives it a distinct kick. Tequila Rose serves a great Margarita and La Tolteca's decorations create a festive atmosphere. Though tucked inside the Comfort Inn, it can be hard to spot, but the value one can get for their

money is beyond comparison. Sample the cheese sauce at your own discretion. Just be sure to bring your Pepto-Bismol for those prone to indigestion.

— E.J.



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Tequila Rose, on Merrimac Trail, offers college student affordable authentic Mexican cuisine. Their neon sign is hard to miss.



Le Yaca Restaurant

1915 Pocahontas Trl
220-3616
Lunch: Monday to Friday
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Dinner: Monday to Saturday
5:45 to 9:30 p.m.

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The Whitehall

1325 Jamestown Road
229-4677
www.thewhitehall.com
Open seven days a week
5 to 10 p.m.

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Casa Maya Mexican Restaurant

300 Bypass Road
259-2470
www.casamayausa.com
Open seven days a week
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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Chili's Grill and Bar

1652 Richmond Rd.
229-9865
www.chilis.com
Monday to Thursday
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11 a.m. to midnight

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La Tolteca

5611 Richmond Rd.
253-2939
Monday to Thursday:
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday:
11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Sat-
urday: Noon to 10:30 p.m.
Sunday: Noon to 9:30 p.m.

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Tequila Rose

7207 Merrimac Trl
258-8634 or 258-8635
www.williamsburgtravel.com/tequilarose
Mon. to Thur.: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Fri.: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sat.: Noon to 11 p.m.; Sun: Noon to 10 p.m.

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Etiquette

Whether you're at a fancy restaurant, meeting future employers or in-laws, know which utensils to use with which courses. As the utensils are used, let your server take them with your course.

What the fork?

The primary forks will be placed to the left of the plate. The general rule is to start from the outside and work your way in. Two other forks that may

or may not be set are a dessert fork and an oyster fork. The dessert fork will be placed above the plate and the oyster fork will be next to the knife.

Spooning with the best

After forks, spoons are relatively easy; there are only about three different types. Spoons for the soup and the fruit cup will be placed at the right of the knife, and coffee spoons will be placed above the

plate.

You call that a knife?

At the initial setting, there will usually be one butter knife. It is the closest utensil to the plate's right side. A serrated meat knife will be provided before the meat course if needed.

Cutting like an American

It is a custom, here in the United States, to switch hands between the cutting and impaling of

the cuisine. Diners hold the knife in their right hand and hold the fork in his left, tines down. After the piece is rendered, the fork is then switched to the right hand and the knife placed on the plate.

Posture

Sit up straight. It is only permissible to place your elbows on the table between courses.

— compiled by
dan schumacher



Indulge your tastebuds in Italian

As college students it's easy to get into a routine where Spaghetti Os and Kraft Macaroni and Cheese are as close as some get to Italian cuisine. But someone looking for a friendly atmosphere, hearty servings and endless breadsticks need look no further than some of the local restaurants here in Williamsburg. When looking for good Italian food on campus, the only option is to abandon all hope and go off campus. From homemade gnocchi in vodka sauce to the regular slice of cheese pizza, Italian food is incredibly versatile

and aims to satisfy almost every palate. And in Williamsburg there's a nearly endless list of independent and chain restaurants to hit.

Perfect for a date or just hanging out with a group of friends, the ambiance for any pizzeria or pasta house is relaxed and casual. The food is fresh and there's usually plenty of it. Sample the Penne Puttanesca from Giuseppe's or Mirabella's Tortelloni made from scratch. For consistency in quality and service that is already familiar, try some of the chains like Olive Garden and Uno's. Each place offers a family friendly environment to treat the kids to.

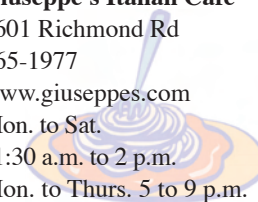
For those weeknight cravings, it's not a novel concept to grab the phone and call for pizza when that midnight urge hits, but with so many places that also deliver, why not try something a little different from the take-out menu of places like Sal's by Victor and Mama Mia's?

Italian offers a variety of choices from the familiar to the more exotic tastes, from sit-down meals to your front door. Everyone is guaranteed to find something they like that will fill them up, even vegetarians.

— E.J.

Giuseppe's Italian Cafe

5601 Richmond Rd
565-1977
www.giuseppes.com
Mon. to Sat.
11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Mon. to Thurs. 5 to 9 p.m.
Fri. and Sat. 5 to 9:30 p.m.
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Sal's by Victor is tucked behind Food Lion, making it a cozy, close place to dine.

Practice artful wine choice

This chenin blanc is crisp, this chardonnay oaky and heavy, this shiraz dark and this pinot noir reminds me inexplicably of Margaret Thatcher. Illustrating the flavor and aroma of a given wine can seem a daunting task but is one that should be approached with far more imagination than trepidation. Any descriptive imagery that you can come up with to convey your wine experience accurately is suitable.

One point further before pairing these flavors with foods — some words, like oaky, have become common in describing various wines and have thus lost their meaning. So just how does oaky wine taste? Strangely enough, the source of this flavor is the aging of certain wines in oak barrels. This process can leave wines (particularly chardonnays, pinot noirs, or cabernet sauvignons) with an earthy, smoky, vanilla-like taste — a soft, sweetish flavor.

All right, so you're in a restaurant, staring at a menu filled with different wines, trying to figure out what to order with your eggplant parmesan without revealing your ignorance of the wine list. My advice is generally this; go with whatever seems intriguing.

“Rules” about pairing white wines with chicken and fish, and reds with beef and tomato-based sauces are a bit overdone, and they are only guidelines in the first place.

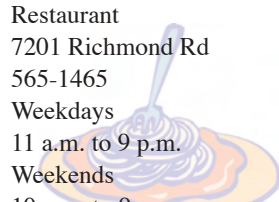
If you're still yearning for structure, try this: drink full-bodied wines (chardonnays, merlots and pinot noirs, to name a few) with robust foods and delicate wines (chenin blancs, white zinfandels, rieslings, etc.) with light foods. You could mix your eggplant parmesan with an elegant riesling to complement the eggplant or a merlot to accompany the rich marinara sauce.

Keep in mind just one rule; be careful not to overpower your meal with your wine or vice versa — a light wine may be overwhelmed by an exceptionally rich steak. However, this is not to say that you shouldn't give it a try; by all means, mix, match and experiment. When I'm eating a heavy, spicy dish, I like a bold, Margaret Thatcher-esque wine that will add its own flavors and aromas to the overall variety of my meal.

— compiled by Nick Hanzel
These hints and more can be found in "The Wine Bible" by Karen MacNeil Workman Publishing, New York, 2001.

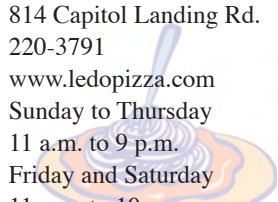
Jimmy's Pizza and Pasta

Restaurant
7201 Richmond Rd
565-1465
Weekdays
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Weekends
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
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Ledo Pizza

814 Capitol Landing Rd.
220-3791
www.ledopizza.com
Sunday to Thursday
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
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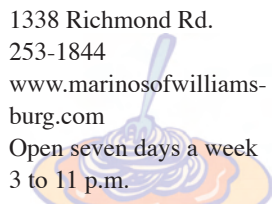
Mama Mia's Italian Family Restaurant

521 Prince George St.
229-2225
Open seven days a week at 11 a.m.
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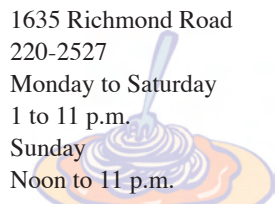
Marino's Italian Cuisine

1338 Richmond Rd.
253-1844
www.marinosofwilliamsburg.com
Open seven days a week
3 to 11 p.m.
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Milano's Restaurant

1635 Richmond Road
220-2527
Monday to Saturday
1 to 11 p.m.
Sunday
Noon to 11 p.m.
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Mirabella's Italian

207 Bypass Road
253-8550
www.mirabellasitaliangrille.com
Open seven days a week
Lunch: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Dinner: 4 to 11 p.m.
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Olive Garden

2150 Richmond Rd.
259-9170
www.olivegarden.com
Sunday to Thursday:
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Friday to Saturday:
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
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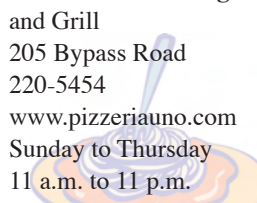
Pizza Hut

1611 Richmond Rd
229-7826
www.pizzahut.com
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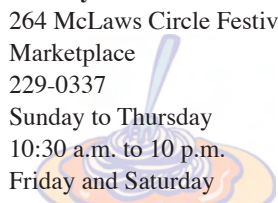
Pizzeria Uno Chicago Bar and Grill

205 Bypass Road
220-5454
www.pizzeriauno.com
Sunday to Thursday
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11 a.m. to midnight
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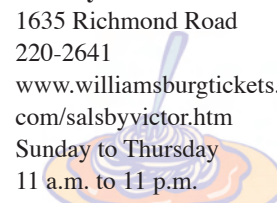
Sal's by Maurizio

264 McLaws Circle Festival Marketplace
229-0337
Sunday to Thursday
10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
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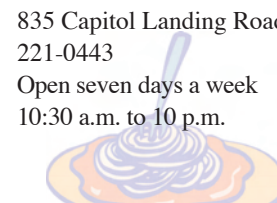
Sal's by Victor

1635 Richmond Road
220-2641
www.williamsburgtickets.com/salsbyvictor.htm
Sunday to Thursday
11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11 a.m. to Midnight
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Sal's Ristorante Italiano

835 Capitol Landing Road
221-0443
Open seven days a week
10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.
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A TASTE OF ASIA



CALIFORNIA ROLL
Imitation crabmeat, avocado, rice, seaweed, shrimp roe.

TAKO NIGIRI-SUSHI
Octopus, rice, seaweed

RED TIPPED CLAM NIGIRI - SUSHI
Red tipped clam, rice

SALMON ROLL
Salmon, rice, seaweed

MASAGO NIGIRI-SUSHI
Sweet shrimp roe, seaweed

AVOCADO ROLL
Avocado, rice, seaweed

RAINBOW ROLL
Several different fish on toop of the roll, including but not limited to: sweet shrimp, red tipped clam, salmon, tuna, avocado.

Chez Trinh Restaurant
157 Monticello Ave
253-1888
Lunch, Dinner

Miyako
153 Monticello Ave.
564-0800
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
5 to 10 p.m.

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Hayashi Japanese
Steakhouse & Sushi Bar
5601 Richmond Rd
253-0282
www.hayashijapanese.com
Lunch Monday to Friday:
Dinner seven days

Mr. Liu's Chinese Restaurant
and Lounge
204 Monticello Ave
Village Shops at Kingsmill
565-3200
Lunch: Monday to Friday:
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sat.
and Sunday noon to 3 p.m.
Dinner: 5 to 10 p.m.

Nawab Indian Cuisine
204 Monticello Ave
565-3200
Lunch: Monday to Friday:
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Sat.
and Sunday noon to 3 p.m.
Dinner: 5 to 10 p.m.

Peking Restaurant
120 Waller Mill Rd
229-2288
Open seven days a week
11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Tops China Restaurant
5251 John Tyler Highway
220-6868
Open seven days a week
11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Kyoto
1621 Richmond Road
220-8888
www.visitwilliamsburg.
com/kyoto2.htm
Open seven days a week
4 to 10 p.m.

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