



Bertrand's French Bistro brings a taste of France to Erie.

Fill Your Plate

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Everyone's got one — the dish they come back to time and again. But Erie's array of restaurants might tempt you to bypass the tried and true. Try Thai at Papermoon, Italian at Matthew's, French at Bertrand's, or Mexican at Latino's. You might never go back to your old standby.

Bertrand's French Bistro

18 N. Park Row
814-871-6477
bertrandsbistro.com

Chef Bertrand Artigues, who hails from Orleans, France, brings a piece of home to Erie with his cozy French bistro. Bertrand's has seen great success since opening in 2002, winning awards such as "Erie's Best Chef" in 2005. Begin your meal with Bertrand's foie gras, and end the night on a sweet note with a Grand Marnier-flavored crepe.

Figgies Restaurant

6990 W. Lake Rd., Fairview
814-474-9440
figgiesrestaurant.com

With a motto of "Good Food and Friends," Figgies opened in 2005 but quickly expanded both its dining room and its serving hours to accommodate

the influx of patrons. Try the Terry-Misu — chef Terry Cashman's version of the classic Italian treat.

Joe Roots Grill

2826 W. 8th St.
814-836-7668
joerootsgrill.com

This seafood restaurant takes its name from an Erie native who was one of the first to live on Presque Isle. Begin your meal with the Presque Isle Prime Rib Soup, followed by the Joe Roots Platter, a filling meal of broiled shrimp, scallops, and Alaskan whitefish fillet.

Latino's Mexican Restaurant & Bar

1315 Parade St.
814-452-1966
latinosrb.com

Owners Julio and Lilia Reyes serve

Mexican cuisine derived from family recipes, cooked with authentic chiles and spices from Mexico. Consider yourself warned: Latino's dishes may be spicier than you're expecting! Cool off your taste buds with a refreshing mojito or an icy margarita from the restaurant's full-service bar.

Matthew's Trattoria

153 E. 13th St.
814-459-6458
matthewstrattoria.com

Bringing a big city atmosphere to Erie, chef and owner Matthew Sarbak's restaurant won "Best Lounge" in the Erie Choice 2005 awards. The Lounge at Matthew's features an extensive martini list, and the Italian-accented menu is sure to please.

Papermoon Restaurant, Gallery & Jazz Club

1325 State St.
814-455-7766
papermoonerie.com

A visit to Papermoon will delight more than just your sense of taste. Enjoy live jazz during dinner while admiring the art on the walls, featuring the work of local artists. Relax in the upscale atmosphere of this downtown Erie restaurant, as chef Edward Lee whips up your favorite Thai dish.

Stonehouse Inn

4753 W. Lake Rd.
814-838-9296
stonehouse-inn.com

Enjoy a cozy dinner for two at the Stonehouse Inn, located in an English-style manor. The dining room provides a wonderful view of the inn's backyard, complete with a waterfall and reflecting pond. The menu changes often but has featured items such as almond-crusted scallops and apricot-stuffed duck breast.

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