# Corflu 5 Restaurant Guide

Seattle is blessed with a truly amazing variety of excellent ethnic restaurants, but they tend to run small. We recommend you call ahead for reservations, particularly if your group is larger than four or five people.

By the way, Excalibur's, located in the hotel, features moderately-priced breakfast and lunch. Dinner is more expensive but worth checking out if you can't or don't want to stray from the hotel.

## **U-District**

Head East on 45th or take the #30 or #43 bus. All of the restaurants except for India House are located on University Way NE (aka "The Ave."). Parking is tight; carpool, walk(15-20 minutes) or take the bus. Restaurants on the Ave are listed from North to South.

Ave Ristorante Italiano - Italian - 4743 Univeristy Way NE. Good but pricey. 527-9830.

Axum Ethiopian Restaurant. 4142 Brooklyn NE. 547-6848.

Bimini's - Gourmet Burgers - 1312 NE 43rd. 547-8888.

Cedar's - Middle Eastern - 1319 NE 43rd. 632-7708.

China First - Quick and Cheap Hunan & Szechuan Chinese - 4237 University Wy. NE. 634-3553.

Coffee Corral - American What-You-Get-With-A-Cheap-Cuppa food - 1401 NE 42nd. 633-3854.



Continental - Greek - 4549 University Way NE. Good solid Greek food and galatabourekos, very utilitarian decor. 632-4700.

Costas - Greek - 4559 University Way NE. Good solid greek food. 633-2571.

India House - Indian - 4737 Roosevelt Wy, NE (on Roosevelt between 45th and 50th, Roosevelt is one way heading south). Best Indian food in Seattle. Reservations recommended, they ask that there be no more than 12 per party. Open Friday and Saturday 5-10:45, Sunday 5-9:45. 632-5072.

Kiku's - Japanese - 5018 University Wy NE. Quick, fast, cheap, and tasty. Nothing fancy. To go or eat there. Not recommended for large parties, unless you want to send someone to pick up food to bring back to the hotel. 524-1125.

Miya's - Japanese - 5261 University Wy NE. Corner of N. 55th and University Way. They have parking. Sushi bar and restaurant with tatami room. \$12-\$18 per person. This restaurant has a friendly ambience and good japanese food. The sushi bar is the best in North Seattle. Open 5PM-10PM all week, the sushi bar stays open till 11 on Friday and Saturday nights. 527-1221.

**Pagliacci's** - Pizza and Pasta - 4529 University Way NE. Reasonable pizza by the slice or by the pie. Crowded and constantly busy. 632-1058.

Rasa Malasia - Malaysian - 4300 University Way, between 43rd and 45th. Mostly fast food, good for vegetarians. About \$5. Has food to go. 545-7878.

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Silence-Heart-Nest - Vegetarian East Indian - 5247 University Wy NE. 524-4008 11-8 Friday and Saturday, Closed Sunday. 524-4008.

Turkish Village Cafe. 5004 University Way NE. Reasonable Prices. Tell 'em Singer sent you. 526-5061.

The Unicorn - English Traditional - 4550 University Way NE. Good selection of beer. 634-1115.

University Bistro - Mostly Italian - 4135 University Way NE. Live music. 547-8010.

Woerne's European Restaurant & Pastry Shop. 4108 University Way NE. A touch of old Vienna. 632-7893.

Fast food, Univeristy-style: Jack In The Box, Burger King, McDonald's, IHOP, etc. are located on or close to the Ave.

# Wallingford

On (or near) 45th, running from East to West (away from the freeway):

Breakfast on the hoof: The best french bakery, La Boulangerie, and the freshest juice, Cold Mountain Juice, in Seattle are within 2 blocks of each other on 45th. You can get a good breakfast of croissants and juice for about \$3-\$5 per person.

Dick's - Classic Greasy American Burger Drive-In - On 45th about 3 blocks due east of the hotel. Great burgers, they slice their own fries from the spuds themselves. Very cheap. \$2-\$5 per person. Junk Food, M-m good!

Julia's - Nouveau Cuisine & Health Food - 1714 N. 44th. Very Good & Very Crowded. Great for brunch, if you don't mind a wait. Lunch and dinner are good too. On the corner of 44th and Wallingford. \$7-\$10 per person. Open 7AM-10 PM Fri-Sat. 7AM-2PM for brunch on Sunday. 633-1175.

Musashi's - Quick Sushi and Japanese food - 1400 N. 45th. Small, Crowded. On the corner of

45th and Interlake. \$7-\$10 per person. Open Fri 11:30-2:30, Sat. 5PM-9:30. Closed Sun. 633-0212.

Beso del Sol - Good Mexican - 4468 Stone Wy N. Does great flan. About \$8-\$10 per person. Open Fri. 11:30-11, Sat. 12-11, Sun. 10-10. 547-8087.

Murphy's Pub - Bar, no food but great beer - 2110 N 45th. Hosts live radio show on Saturday mornings from 11 on. 634-2110.

#### Off 45th:

Honeybear Bakery - Absolutely Wonderful Baked Goods (especially the cinnamon rolls) - 2106 N. 55th. Live music during brunch. Crowded, especially during Brunch. Take Latona N. to 50th Turn L. to Keystone. Turn R. on Keystone. On corner of Keystone, Meridian and 55th. \$3-6 per person. 545-7296.

Ivar's Indian Salmon House - Expensive but excellent NW seafood with a view that won't quit -401 NE Northlake Wy. Definitely make reservations. It's about 6-7 blocks downhill from the hotel. Walk S. on Latona to Northlake, turn R. about 100 feet. Driving, go S on 4th to 40th, turn R. on 40th to Latona, turn L. and then L. again onto Northlake. Go around the fast food Salmon Bar and into the side door. (\$15-\$25 per person) 632-0767.

Ivar's Salmon Bar - Fast food Fish & Chips and Seafood - 401 NE Northlake Wy. See directions for Salmon House. Cheap, \$3-\$6 per person.

Voula's Off Shore Café - Small friendly diner, good personable service - 658 NE Northlake. Not all that crowded for brunch and lunch. They have killer milk shakes. Go down 4th to 40th. Turn L. to stop sign turn hard R., go to next stop sign, turn L. under bridge, turn L. again on Northlake, and it will be on your left. Look for blue awning. About \$5.00 per person. 634-0183.

# Capitol Hill, Broadway:

To get to Broadway: take I-5, get off at Denny St. exit, and head up the hill.

Mamounia's - Morroccan - 1556 E. Olive Way. On Olive Way and Denny. Excellent food, nice touches of hospitality, and too dark to see the steam rising off of the hot food you are about to plunge your fingers into. Great place to take someone else's wife. About \$15 per person, and worth it. Recommend reservations. 329-3886.

Aoki's - Japanese - 621 Broadway E. On Broadway, near Roy. Sushi bar and Robato grill in hi-tech setting. Good, but not set up for really large groups. About \$12-\$20 per person. 324-3633.

Siam - Thai - 616 Broadway E. On Broadway, near Roy. Good Thai food. About \$8-\$12 per person. 324-0892.

Byzantion - Greek - 806 E Roy. Very charming Greek restaurant with lovely Russian folktale illustrations. The food is good. About \$8-\$12 per person. 325-7580.

Off Broadway: get directions from a local.

**B&O Espresso**. 204 Belmont E. "Best desert in the city." - Jerry Kaufman. 322-5028.

Kokeb - Ethiopian - 926 12th. On 12th near Seattle University. Good Ethiopian food. 322-0485.

Marrakesh - Morroccan - 605 15th E. Brand new, the food and hospitality is as good as Mamounia's, but the ambience is different, and it's well lit enough to see the food. About \$13-\$15 per person. On 15th, near Mercer. 328-4577.

Matzoh Mamma's - Jewish - 509 15th E. Such nice Jewish brunches and lunches! Entertainment at night. Reasonably Kosher for such a goy city. \$5-\$10 per person, nu. 324-6262.

#### International District

To get to the international district, head South on I-5 to the James street exit, head straight past Yesler, and down a huge hill. You are there: find parking.

Little Saigon - Vietnamese - 606 S Weller. Excellent hole-in-wall ethnic restaurant. Not only hasn't it been discovered, Jon Singer hasn't even eaten here yet. I recommend the Hot Pot, which is a big wok of steaming broth with a bunch of raw seafood and vegies that you cook yourself. About \$8-\$12 per person. On Weller near 6th, directly across from Ocean City Restaurant. 382-9888.

Ho-Ho's - Chinese Seafood - 651 S. Weller. On corner of 7th and Weller. Excellent, very fresh seafood beautifully prepared. About \$8-\$12 per person. 382-9671.

**Dim Sum:** All of these places are excellent. Reservations recommended for large groups.

- House of Hong Dim Sum 409 8th S.
   Modern Setting. Corner of Jackson and 8th.
   622-7997.
- Silver Dragon Dim Sum 421 7th S. Has wonderful dragon pillars. 622-4141.
- Ocean City Dim Sum 609 S. Weller. May have room when others are full. 623-2333.

Mikado's - Japanese - 514 S. Jackson. Good Sushi and excellent Robato grill. On Jackson between 5th and 6th. 622-5206.

Bush Garden - Japanese - 614 Maynard S. Where the Japanese-Americans hang out. Good Sushi and Restaurant. 682-6830.

Chlyoko's - Sushi - 610 S. Jackson. Has good sushi. 623-9347.

Nikko's - Japanese - Corner of S. King & S. Ranier. Best Sushi Bar in town. Pricey but some very exotic sushi. Try their ikura. The sushi bar is crowded on weekends. The restaurant is good too. If Kazuko is your waitress, tell her Amy says hi. About \$12-\$15 for dinner, \$20+ for some of the most exotic sushi this side of the Pacific. 322-4641.

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## North Seattle

China North - Chinese - 12319 Roosevelt Way NE. Excellent, diverse Chinese cuisine, with some very exotic dishes. The sauces are absolutely exquisite, the menu is HUGE. Those of you from Portland will recognize this as a branch of Uncle Chen's. 362-3422.

Sunlight Cafe - Healthy Veggie Stuff - 6403 Roosevelt Way NE. Near 65th and Roosevelt. The most Nutritionally Correct vegetarian restaurant in town. The food is good, cheap, and filling. \$5-\$8 per person. Open 7AM-10PM. 522-9060.

Java Restaurant - Javanese - 8929 Roosevelt Way NE. Excellent food; they serve a mean rijstafel. Definitely impose on a local to take you there. About \$12 per person. Reservations recommended. Open 5-10PM daily. 522-5282.

### Eastlake

Orient Express - Chinese and Mongolian Barbeque - 1880 Fairview East. Extremely pretty restaurant with excellent Szechuan, Hunan, and Mandarin cuisine. They also do a nice Mongolian Barbeque. It's about a block off of Eastlake, look for the sign just past Casa Lupita's. They do delivery and take out as well. Highly recommended. 328-306.

#### Downtown

Rama House - Thai - 2228 2d. One of the best Thai places in the city. \$8-\$12. Open Fri. & Sat. 1-11PM, Sun. 3-10PM. 728-0900.

Takara - Japanese - 1501 Western. Sushi and Restaurant. Straight ahead Japanese, nice decor, reasonable prices. Good sushi. \$8-\$12 restaurant, \$15-\$20 sushi. On Pike Market Hill Climb. 682-8609. El Puerco Lloron - Mexican - 1501 Western.

Reasonable facsimile of a Tiajuana restaurant. I haven't eaten here, but it comes highly recommended. On Pike Market Hill Climb. Open Mon-Sat 11:30AM-9PM, Sun. Noon-7PM 624-0541.

New Orleans Restaurant - Cajun - 81 Yesler Way. I'm no ragin' cajun, but I liked it. 622-2563.

## **Ballard**

Burk's - Cajun - 5411 Ballard Way. I like it even better than the New Orleans Restaurant. 782-0091.

### Fremont

Costas Opa - Greek - 3400 Fremont N. Big taverna style greek restaurant with good greek food. It's directly across from Seattle's best loved piece of public art, "Waiting for the Interurban." Reservations recommended. Open Fri & Sat. 4:30-11, Sun. 4:30-10. 633-4141.

# Queen Anne/Seattle Center

Chicago's - Deep Dish Pizza and Italian - 315 1st N. Great deep dish Pizza, nice Salad Bar, good italian food. They have free parking, always a premium on Queen Anne. 282-7791.

The Phoenecia - Middle Eastern - 100 Mercer. Cliff Wind loves this place, so ask him for more information. 285-6739.

Banh Thai - Thai - 409 Roy - Said by many to be the best Thai place in town. Great Satay. Open Fri. & Sat. 5-11, Sun. 5-10. 283-0444.Siam - Thai - 616 Broadway E. On Broadway, near Roy. Good Thai food. About \$8-\$12 per person. 324-0892.