

Dining Options in College Park and Beyond

In the heart of downtown College Park

If you walk south on Baltimore Ave right along the edge of campus for a few blocks, you'll find CP's culinary nucleus. Across Baltimore Ave from the University exit (Regents Dr) is department favorite **The Bagel Place**, with a full range of bagels and bagel sandwiches. Across the road, **Potbelly's** offers tasty sandwiches for under \$4. Just around the corner is **Marathon Deli**, for Greek fast food. Further down Baltimore Ave you will find a slightly more upscale atmosphere at **Lupo's Italian Chophouse**, with a menu to suit a range of budgets. Atmosphere and some creative dishes make Lupo's your best bet for dinner within walking distance. Also next door, **Ten Ren's Teatime** provides a relaxed atmosphere and offers tempting noodle soup dishes, pork buns, and bubble tea. At the crossroads with Knox Road are several sports-bars such as **RJ Bentley's** and pizza joint **Ratsie's**. In the shopping center at this crossroads is another department favorite, **Noodles & Co.**, with a wide selection of noodle dishes, freshly prepared and served at your table. The popular chain **Chipotle** is a few doors down, featuring generously-filled made-to-order burritos: inexpensive, but usually loud and busy. Two blocks down there is an **Applebee's**. **Plato's Diner**, next to the Quality Inn serves standard diner fare in addition to a variety of Greek specialities - not spectacular, but many people quite like it. And of course

scattered about is the usual college town selection of franchises, kebaberies, and take-away.

NB: From the Stamp Union to downtown College Park is approximately a 10 minute walk.

A bit farther afield

The following restaurants are within a few miles of the University, and are generally appropriate for a pleasant dinner. See note below for information about local cab companies.

94th Aerosquadron Steak, seafood, etc. WWII French farmhouse decor, overlooking the runway of historic College Park Airport. Exit the University on Campus Drive; cross Route 1, and continue along Paint Branch Parkway for about a mile.

5240 Paint Branch Parkway; (301) 699-9400

Alario's Traditional Italian restaurant with pizza, pasta, calzones and enormous salads. There are many pizza joints in College Park, but this "Pizzeria Restaurant" is one of the better ones. Located in the Campus Village shopping center, north on Route 1.

8150 Baltimore Avenue / (301) 474-3003

Berwyn Café Writes a student columnist: "Walking into the Berwyn Cafe for the first time is like walking into your grandmother's

kitchen - your vegetarian grandmother's kitchen - consisting of 80 percent organic food and a couple of guys singing with their guitars." Just head north on Baltimore Ave and, at the edge of the University, take a right onto Berwyn Rd.

5010 Berwyn Road / (301) 345-9898

Calvert House Calvert House is the best place to go for Maryland's signature crabcakes. Atmosphere is relatively staid. 2 miles south on Route 1, just past route 410/East-West Highway, park in back.

6211 Baltimore Avenue / (301) 864-5220

College Perk This coffee shop is in a rambling house set back a little from the road. Open up your laptop and enjoy the cozy atmosphere and complimentary WiFi until early the next morning.

9078 Baltimore Ave / (301) 982-0587

Franklin's Brewery and General Store Located a couple miles south of the University in Hyattsville, Franklin's is a large and sometimes lively brewpub with some excellent beers accompanying a mix of medium-to-good cuisine. Expect busy evenings. Good place to take a group, but it's a smart idea to call ahead.

5123 Baltimore Ave. / (301) 927-2740

Jungle Grille Salads, sandwiches, Italian food, frozen yogurt. Vegetarian-friendly. We recommend the grill sandwiches. Located in the Campus Village shopping center, north on Route 1.

8145-F Baltimore Blvd / (301) 441-3533

Mandalay Mandalay is one of only two Burmese restaurants in the DC Metro area, ranked by *The Washingtonian* as one of their Top 100 Bargains. Formerly a local secret, now becoming quite popular, they serve a variety of curries and noodles dishes, with many vegetarian and vegan options. *Highly recommended.*

9091-A Baltimore Ave. / (301) 345-8540

Moyor Mahal Well-priced, solid Indian fare.

8145K Baltimore Avenue / (301) 474-8484

Seven Seas Chinese and Japanese. Offers sushi and many vegetarian selections.

8503 Baltimore Ave / (301) 345-5808

Udupi Palace Featuring authentic vegetarian dishes from South India and delicious pastries. *Highly recommended.* About 3 miles west of campus on University Blvd.

1329 University Blvd. / (301) 434-1531

Yi-Jo The Yi-Jo Korean Restaurant is far better than the drab-looking Day's Inn in which it is housed. It serves a good variety of Korean dishes, and the fact that it serves to a largely Korean clientele is a good sign.

9137 Baltimore Ave. / (301) 345-6500

Eating in DC

Washington is home to an enormous variety of restaurants of all stripes. Check <http://www.washingtonian.com> for reviews and pointers to good dining value. Recommended Metro stops (on the Red line) are **Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan**: search along Connecticut Ave (north, up to Cleveland Park), but especially head east across the Duke

Ellington Bridge into Adams Morgan (5 minute walk) for a bewildering selection of restaurants (many with sidewalk dining) along 18th St & Columbia, with an unmatched selection of Ethiopian and West African;
Dupont Circle: search along Connecticut Ave (north and south), New Hampshire Ave (south) and P St (west). Walk west on P St across the Rock Creek Park into Georgetown (sadly, no Metro stop), especially for French fare (most restaurants are along M St and toward the river). Other stops to consider (for the slightly more adventurous/better prepared): **U St & Gallery Place/Chinatown** (Green); **Capitol South** (Blue/Orange); & **Bethesda** (Red).

For going ons:

<http://www.washingtoncitypaper.com>. For Metro rail/bus transit details (including "The Ride Guide," a best route finder):

<http://www.wmata.com>

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Diamond Cab (in DC) (202) 387-2200