

NO PLACE *Tastes* LIKE HOUSTON

Houston's culinary scene is fueled by innovative chefs who blend global flavors and cultures into unforgettable dining experiences. From the flavorful fusion of Vietnamese noodles with Cajun crawfish, to the bold combination of brisket and kimchi, to the vibrant melding of Oaxacan spices with African influences, Houston's kitchens are a testament to a community enriched by creativity and collaboration.

26 HOUSTON RESTAURANTS
in the 2024 MICHELIN GUIDE TEXAS

JAMES BEARD AWARD FINALISTS 2025

OUTSTANDING HOSPITALITY

Itai Ben Eli and Itamar Levy, Sof Hospitality Group
(Hamsa, Badolina Bakery, and Doris Metropolitan)
[HOUSTON, TX]

Sara Stayer and Martin Stayer, Nobie's, Toasted
Coconut, and Nonno's [HOUSTON, TX]

EMERGING CHEF

Suu Khin, Burmalicious [HOUSTON, TX]

BEST NEW RESTAURANT

WINNER Ema [HOUSTON, TX]

OUTSTANDING BAKERY

Koffeteria [HOUSTON, TX]

OUTSTANDING WINE & BEVERAGE PROGRAM

WINNER MARCH [HOUSTON, TX]

BEST CHEF TEXAS

WINNER Thomas Bille, Belly of the Beast [SPRING, TX]

WINNER Emmanuel Chavez, Tatemó [HOUSTON, TX]

Ope Amosu, ChòpnBlòk [HOUSTON, TX]

Evelyn Garcia and Henry Lu, Jūn [HOUSTON, TX]

Beatriz Martines, Xalisko [WOODLANDS, TX]

David Skinner, Ishtia [KEMAH, TX]

"One thing is clear: Houston represents the dynamic, eclectic future of American dining."
SAVEUR

Houston: Top 10 U.S. Cities for Food + Drink
FOOD + WINE

Houston: Top Places to Travel 2025
FODOR'S TRAVEL GUIDE

"If you have a taste for dynamism and beautiful complexities, this city is your buffet"
THE NEW YORK TIMES

FOOD + BEVERAGE + CATERING ORGANIZATIONS IN HOUSTON

- Chaîne des Rôtisseurs
- Food and Beverage Managers Association
- Greater Houston Restaurant Association
- International Live Events Association (ILEA)
- Les Dames d'Escoffier
- National Association of Catering Executives (NACE)
- Texas Chef's Association

13,000+
RESTAURANTS

70+
CUISINE TYPES SERVED

1,000+
FOOD TRUCKS & FOOD STANDS

HEADQUARTERED IN HOUSTON

8

RESTAURANT CHAINS

Including Landry's, Pappas, and Fuddruckers

11

FOOD SERVICE COMPANIES

Including Sysco, Brother's Produce, and KKH Foods

40

BEVERAGE COMPANIES

Headquartered in Houston and surrounding drive markets

HOUSTON

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