

Worcester Restaurant Guide, Version 3.0

An opinionated guide to mid-scale eating

Worcester has never featured on anyone's map of culinary hot spots. However, that doesn't mean you can't find good food here—it just means you have to know where to look.

In 2003, your humble editors, Robin Holly and Jonathan Turner (JT), bravely took up the challenge. Assisted by a small corps of dedicated volunteers, and in spite of the very real danger that we might enjoy ourselves, we diligently sampled a selection of mostly-reasonably-priced, mostly-nearby eateries. We included a few noteworthy out-of-town spots for the car-enabled. This time around, we are indebted for some of the new listings to Jacob Sommer and his mother Paula, and to Heather Munn for restaurant info updates. The list is by no means exhaustive; indeed, if you discover another place that's worthy of note, please tell us!

Disclaimer: this is based entirely on personal opinions ... and, truth to tell, we are not fussy about food. As long as it meets some fairly modest quality standards, we generally like it. Your mileage may vary.

So what do we like enough to go back to regularly?

- Winner: Tortilla Sam's
- Very close second: O'Connor's

If you're looking for something that's not on here, there are several restaurant clusters in the area:

On Route 12, north of I-190, you'll find every fast-food outlet known to man.

Route 9 East in Shrewsbury has many restaurants in the Chili's/Outback/IHOP mode.

Highland Street has lots of college-oriented eateries for the WPI crowd, including ample pizza/subs.

There's a cluster of restaurants around Clark University on south Main Street.

IMPORTANT- The Worcester Common Outlets Mall is CLOSED. Their food court is no more.

Medical City is a hospital complex. It has a pizza place and a sandwich shop, at least one of which is open at any time of the day or night. The entrance is on Worcester Center Boulevard.

Hotel Restaurant: C. P. Whitney's. Good food, typical hotel prices. Big breakfast menu. Some vegetarian. Hours: Lounge- 11:30a-10.00pm, M-Su, Breakfast 6:30am – 11:00am M-F, 7:00am-11:00am Sa, 7:00am-2:00pm Sunday Brunch, Dinner 5:30pm-10:00pm M-Su.

MAP KEY

AD: Armadillo Depot	FR: Flying Rhino	SA: Saigon
BC: Brew City	GW: Great Wall	SC: Sahara Café and Restaurant
BD: Boulevard Diner	IC: India Café	SP: Sole Proprietor
BG: Biagio's Grill	IT: Irish Times	SU: Surya
BJ: Blue Jeans Pizza	LC: Lucky's Café	SW: Subway
CB: Ciao Bella	LE: Living Earth Café	TC: Thai Cha-Da
CG: Corner Grille	MS: Maxwell Silverman's Toolhouse	TS: Tortilla Sam's
CH: Chopsticks	MB: Moe's Burritos	US: Union Station
CI: Coney Island Hot Dogs	NE: New England Roast Beef	OC: O'Connor's
DD: Dragon Dynasty	NN: Ninety-Nine	OL: One Love Café
DU: Dunkin Donuts	NW: North Works Bar & Grille	VB: Viva Bene Ristorante
EB: El Basha	OC: O'Connor's	VT: Vinny T's
EBW: El Basha West	OL: One Love Café	
EL: Elsa's Bushel n'Peck	RO: Rovezzi's	

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