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NAPOLI RESTAURANT & BAKERY

686 E. 13th Ave. 485-4552. Serving lunch, dinner: Traditional Southern Italian cuisine, pastas, calzone, pizza, salads, large selection of pastries and desserts from bakery on premises. Wine, beer. Reservations for 5+. Take-out. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-10 pm M-Sa. MC/V/AE. \$-\$\$.

OLIVE GARDEN

1077 Valley River Dr. 349-8929. Serving Italian lunches, dinners, vegetarian entrées, wine, beer, microbrew, full bar. Take-out. 11 am-10 pm Su-Th, 11 am-11 pm F-Sa. All major cards. \$-\$\$.

OREGANO'S GRILL

830 Olive St. 393-0830. A casual Italian restaurant featuring lasagna, pastas and pizza. Preparing cedar plank salmon and steaks in the wood-fired oven. Lunch 11 am-2:30 pm Tu-F. Dinner 5 pm-10 pm Tu-Th & Su, 5 pm-12 am F & Sa. MC/V/AE. \$\$\$.

PIZZA PETE'S ITALIAN KITCHEN

2506 Willakenzie Rd. 344-0998. 2673 Willamette St. 484-0996. Serving lunch, dinner: Pizza, calzone, specialty dinners, vegetarian entrées, salads, sandwiches. Tuesday night all you can eat spaghetti. Wine, beer. Reservations for larger parties. Free delivery. Take-out. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 11:30 am-9 pm M-Th, 11:30 am-9 pm F, 11:30 am-9 pm Sa, 4-7 pm Su. MC/V. \$\$\$.

STEPINA'S CHICAGO STYLE RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

1475 Mohawk Blvd., Springfield. 744-0811. Serving lunch, dinners: Chicago-style stuffed-crust pizza, burgers and pasta, vegetarian entrées. Microbrew, full bar. Take-out. 9 am-2:30 am M-Sa, 10 am-2:30 am Su. MC/V. \$.

Japanese

HANA'S RESTAURANT

1219 Alder St. 343-2932. Serving lunch, dinner: Homemade-style Japanese and Korean cooking, large variety, vegetarian meals. Homemade sauces. Reservations for larger parties. Take-out. 10 am-9:30 pm M-F, noon-8 pm Su. Some cards. \$.

MISAKO

5 E. 8th Ave. 686-3464. Traditional Japanese cuisine and sushi bar. Serving lunch and dinner: Ramen, sushi, donburi and vegetarian entrées. Sake, wine, Japanese beer, microbrews. Reservations recommended for 5 or more. Take-out. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. Lunch 12 am-2 pm M-F. Dinner 5 pm-9 pm M-Th, 5 pm-10 pm F-Sa, 2 pm-10 pm Sa, 5:30 pm-9 pm Su. MC/V. \$\$\$.

SAKURA JAPANESE RESTAURANT

844 E. 13th Ave. 343-6817. Serving lunch, dinner: Sushi, ramen, yakisoba, salad noodles, teriyaki chicken, donburi. Vegetarian entrées, lunch and dinner boxes. Beer, microbrews, sake, wine. Reservations recommended for 6 or more. Take-out. 10 am-10 pm M-F, noon-10 pm Sa, noon-9 pm Su. All major cards. \$\$.

SAMURAI DUCK

980 Oak St. 345-6577. Serving breakfast, gourmet espresso, pastries, brunch, lunch, dinner. Sushi, teriyaki

beef or chicken, curry rice, gyoza fried rice, yakisoba noodles, miso soup, sandwiches. Bento boxed lunch. Daily specials. Vegetarian/vegan entrées. Call in, take-out. Dinners until late, full bar, music, lottery. LG. 6 am-2:30 am M-F, 4 pm-2:30 am Sa, 11 am-2:30 am Su. All major cards. \$.

SHIKI JAPANESE CUISINE

92 Centennial Loop. 343-1936. Currently closed; opening in new location soon. Serving lunch and dinner: Sushi, tempura, sukiyaki, shabu-shabu, traditional food. Wine, beer, sake and cocktails. Tatami rooms available. Reservations recommended. Take-out. 11 am-2 pm Tu-F, 5 pm-10 pm Tu-Su. All major cards. \$\$\$.

SHOJI'S RESTAURANT

2645 Willamette St. 343-8483. Serving dinner: Sushi bar, stir-fry cooking at your table, shrimp, chicken, beef, scallops, lobster, rice, vegetables, salad, vegetarian entrées and tofu. Wine, beer, full bar. Reservations. Dinners and sushi available for take-out. 5 pm-9 pm Tu-Th, 5 pm-10 pm F-Sa, 5 pm-9 pm Su. All major cards. \$\$-\$\$\$\$.

SUSHI DOMO

1020 Green Acres Rd. 343-0935. Sushi, yaki soba, nigiri, vegetarian selections and more. Private dining room available. Wheelchair accessible. Lunch 11 am-2 pm M-F. Dinner 4:30 pm-10 pm M-Sa. Some cards. \$-\$\$\$.

SUSHI STATION

199 E. 5th Ave. #7. 484-1334. Sushi on conveyor, made-to-order chef's special rolls, teriyaki, tempura, katsu, yakisoba and udon noodle soup and more. 11:30 am-2:30 pm and 5 pm-10 pm M-F, 5 pm-10 pm Sa. All major cards. \$\$-\$\$\$.

TOSHI'S RAMEN

1520 Pearl St. 683-7833. Serving lunch and dinner. Shoyu, miso and shio noodles. Gyoza, fried rice, stir-fry, teriyaki chicken, cold noodles, cold ramen salad. Vegetarian entrées. Take-out. LG. Lunch 11 am-3 pm M-Sa. Dinner 5 pm-9 pm M-Sa.

Closed every third Sa of the month. V/MC. \$-\$\$.

Korean

CAFÉ SEOUL

1930 Franklin Blvd. 687-2122. Serving lunch and dinner. Offering traditional authentic Korean meals, with Japanese and Chinese dishes. Lots of vegetarian selections, lunch specials, take-out. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-9 pm M-F, noon-9 pm Sa. MC/V. \$-\$\$.

HANA'S RESTAURANT

Serving Japanese
KOREA HOUSE
1306 Hilyard St. 345-9555. Serving lunch, dinner: Traditional Korean dishes with some Japanese food. Steamed rice, soup and kimchee with some meals. Vegetarian entrées. Take-out. 11 am-9 pm M-F. No cards. \$-\$\$.

Latin American & Caribbean

EL JARRO AZUL

See Mexican

EL VAQUERO

296 E. 5th Ave. (5th St. Market). 434-8272. Fresh seafood, local meat and produce are the ingredients for this stylized, one of a kind tapas bar. Also serving four cuts of steak nightly. Vegetarian selections. Reservations recommended. 2006-2007 EW Best of Eugene Best House Drink, Third Place: Richmond Gimlet. Some OG/LG. Cocktail hour 4:30 'til close nightly; dinner 5 pm 'til close nightly. All major cards. \$\$-\$\$\$\$.

★ Best New Restaurant, Second Place

JOHNNY OCEAN'S GRILLE

114 Oakway Center. 342-7994. Serving breakfast, lunch, dinner in a Caribbean atmosphere. Appetizers, steaks,

hamburgers, chicken, halibut, salmon, shrimp, sandwiches, including veggie sandwich, fries, salads, pad Thai, curry sauté. Shakes, beer and wine. Take-out. LG. 9 am-9 pm M-F, 11 am-9 pm Sa, 12 am-7 pm Su. MC/V. \$-\$\$.

LA OFICINA

1491 Willamette St. 338-4621. Treat yourself and your taste buds to a culinary journey south of the border. Serving a unique mixture of Latin American and Caribbean cuisine. Seafood, vegetarian and vegan options available. Full bar featuring a large selection of tequilas and cocktails made from all natural juices. Lunch 11:30 am-2:30 pm Tu-F. Dinner 5 pm-9 pm Tu-Th, 5 pm-10 pm F & Sa. MC/V/D. \$\$.

RED AGAVE

454 Willamette St. 683-2206. Creative, unique dishes inspired by south of the border flavors. All local produce when available. Cozy bistro environment, top shelf cuisine. Reservations recommended. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 5:30 pm-close M-Sa. MC/V/AE. \$\$\$\$.

★ Best Mexican/Latin American/Caribbean

TACO LOCO

900 W. 7th Ave. 683-9171. Featuring a unique mixture of Latin American and Caribbean dishes steeped in tradition. Vegetarian and vegan friendly. Full bar specializing in margaritas and cocktails made from all natural juices. A large selection of tequilas available. Wheelchair accessible. Lunch 11:30 am-2:30 pm Tu-F. Dinner 5 pm-9 pm Tu-Th, 5 pm-10 pm Sa & Su. MC/V/D, no checks. \$\$.

Mediterranean

CAFÉ GLENDI

296 E. 5th Ave. (5th St. Market). 485-3391. Serving lunch, dinner: Tasty selections of Greek/Mediterranean dishes including mous-saka, chicken and lamb souvlaki, spanakopeta and fresh salmon as well as vegetarian dishes. Phone orders. Take-out. Catering. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-7 pm M-Sa, 11 am-6 pm Su. MC/V. \$-\$\$.

CAFÉ SORAH

384 W. 13th Ave. 342-4410. Serving lunch, dinner: Mediterranean, international and Northwest cuisine. Lamb, chicken, seafood, vegetarian specialties, salads. Wine, beer, microbrews, full bar. Reservations. Take-out. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-2 pm M-F, 5 pm-10 pm Su-Th, 5 pm-11 pm F-Sa. MC/V/AE. \$\$\$\$.

★ Best International/Continental, Third Place (tie)

★ Best Italian/Greek/Middle Eastern, Third Place

★ Best Special Occasion/Fine Dining

CASABLANCA MIDDLE EASTERN RESTAURANT

296 E. 5th Ave. (5th St. Market). 342-3885. Serving lunch, dinner: Vegetarian, chicken and lamb dishes from the Middle East. Counter service. Take-out. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 10 am-6 pm daily. V/MC. \$\$.

CASPIAN MEDITERRANEAN RESTAURANT

863 E. 13th Ave. 683-7800. Serving lunch, dinner: Roasted eggplant dishes, falafel, gyros, feta salad, burritos, Philly steak, taco salad, vegan soup and more vegetarian entrées. Take-out. Now serving breakfast all day. Wheelchair accessible. 7 am-8 pm daily. MC/V. \$.

IRAILA MEDITERRANEAN RUSTICA

2435 Hilyard St. 684-8400. www.iraila.com

Voted Eugene's Best New Restaurant 2004 by Eugene Weekly readers. Mezes, tapas and entrées from the sun drenched Mediterranean. Featuring organic chickens, organic lamb from Cattail Creek, all organic produce from Organically Grown Co. and yummy desserts. Selection of wine, beer and cocktails. Some OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. Open 5 pm W-Su. MC/V. \$-\$\$\$.

LUNA

30 E. Broadway. 434-LUNA. www.lunajazz.com
Specializing in authentic Spanish tapas (shared appetizers), wide variety of vegetarian, seafood and meat items using organic, local produce and the finest imported products from Europe. Great Spanish wine list. Live jazz 5 nights a week. Banquet facilities available. OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 5 pm to close Tu-Sa. MC/V/AE. \$.

PENELOPE'S MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

291 E. 5th Ave. 341-3712. Old-world favorites like moussaka and kabobs to New World specialties like chicken piccata and scampi. Vegetarian entrées also. All original desserts and bread, organic coffee. Casual, warm atmosphere. Cocktails and imported wines. Seats 40; reservations recommended. Some OG. LG. 5 pm-10 pm W-Su. MC/V. \$\$-\$\$\$\$.

POPPY'S ANATOLIA

992 Willamette St. 343-9661. Serving lunch, dinner: Half the menu is Greek, half is Indian. Kotta Psiti (Greek roasted chicken), thali platter (selection of Indian vegetable dishes), vegetarian soups and entrées, Greek salad. Wine, beer. Reservations for 6+. Lunch M-Sa, dinner nightly. MC/V. \$.

★ Best Italian/Greek/Middle Eastern, Second Place

Mexican

ASADO MEXICAN GRILL

296 E. 5th Ave. (5th St. Market). 342-7236. Breakfast burritos, quick healthy Mexican flavors, six different homemade salsas, handmade tortillas, quesadillas, burritos, tortas (Mexican sub sandwich). Some OG. 7:30 am-7 pm daily. MC/V/AE. \$-\$\$.

AZTEC SUN TAQUERIA

628 Blair Blvd. 684-0124. Authentic Mexican food from southern Mexico. Handmade tortillas, salsa, horchatas. Burritos and nachos are huge. Special Mexican drinks and margaritas. Weekly specials and full vegetarian menu. 9 am-9 pm daily; 9 am-10 pm Sa & Su. MC/V. \$.

BURRITO AMIGOS

1295 Hwy. 99 N. 461-8880. 1239 Alder St. 2445 Hilyard St. 868-1528. 1333 W. 6th Ave. 338-9190. 1600 Coburg Rd. 868-0908. 201 42nd St., Springfield. 746-7279. In front of Jerry's Home Improvement Centers, Eugene and Springfield.

Serving breakfast, lunch, dinner: Specializing in burritos (meat or vegetarian, breakfast), tacos, taco salad, chili verde, tostadas, quesadillas and many vegetarian items. Espresso and coffee at drive-thru. Speedy service. Take-out. Some LG. Wheelchair accessible at Hilyard and Coburg locations. 6:30 am-9 pm M-Sa, 8:30 am-8 pm Su. MC/V/AE/D. \$.

★ Best Burritos, Second Place

BURRITO BOY TAQUERIA

943 River Rd. 689-7970. 30 W. 10th Ave. 344-5856. 510 E. Broadway. 344-8070. 2511 W. 11th Ave. 338-4219. Serving breakfast, lunch, dinner: Breakfast burritos, burritos, tacos, carne asada, carnitas, chile verde lengua, vegetarian entrées, Mexican waters. Take-out. LG. River Road: 7 am-9 pm daily. 10th Ave: 7 am-5 pm daily. Broadway: 7 am-11 pm daily. 11th Ave: 7 am-10 pm daily. No checks. \$.

★ Best Meal Under \$7, Third Place

★ Best Burritos

CHAPALA MEXICAN RESTAURANT

68 W. 29th Ave. 683-5458. Oakway Center. 424-6113. Serving lunch, dinner: Fajitas and Mexican favorites, full vegetarian menu, salads. Wine, beer, full bar. Reservations for 6+. Live music Th and Sa at 29th St. Take-out. 29th: 11 am-10 pm Sa-Th, 11 am-11 pm F. Oakway: 11 am-10 pm M-Th, 11 am-10:30 F & Sa, 11 am-10 pm Su. MC/V. \$-\$\$.

★ Best Mexican/Latin American/Caribbean, Second Place

DON JUAN'S FAMILY MEXICAN RESTAURANT

2650 River Rd. 689-5821. Fax 461-2757. Serving lunch, dinner: Guadalajara-style cooking, chicken carnitas, chile Colorado and verde, vegetarian entrées. Wine, beer, full bar. Banquet facilities. Take-out. LG. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-10 pm M-Th, 11 am-10:30 pm F-Sa. MC/V/AE/DC. \$-\$\$.

EL CHARRO

4712 Royal Ave. 688-3642. Specializing in authentic Spanish tapas (shared appetizers), wide variety of vegetarian, seafood and meat items using organic, local produce and the finest imported products from Europe. Great Spanish wine list. Live jazz 5 nights a week. Banquet facilities available. OG/LG. Wheelchair accessible. 5 pm to close Tu-Sa. MC/V/AE. \$.

EL JARRO AZUL

764 Blair Blvd. 344-0650. Formerly Los Jarritos. Serving lunch and dinner: Chicken, beef, pork, vegetarian and seafood entrées. All made with homemade sauces and spices. Salvadoran specialties. Wine, beer, margaritas and a big selection of tequilas. Take-out, reservations requested for 6+. Specials every day. LG. 11 am-9 pm M-Sa, 3:30-9 pm Su. MC/V/AE/DC. \$-\$\$.

★ Best Mexican/Latin American/Caribbean, Third Place

EL KIOSCO RESTAURANT

65-0 Division St. 689-5688. 1909 S. A St., Springfield. 741-2005. Serving lunch, dinner: Southern California-style Mexican cooking, quesadilla supreme, vegetarian entrées, no lard or MSG. Wine, beer, full bar. Delivery to Danebo, Coburg, River Road. Catering available to businesses and parties. Take-out. 11 am-9 pm M-Th, 11 am-10 pm F, noon-10 pm Sa, noon-9 pm Su. MC/V. \$.

EL TORITO RESTAURANT

1003 Valley River Way. 683-7294. Serving lunch, dinner, Sunday breakfast menu: From scratch kitchen featuring different regions of Mexico, chef's specials, vegetarian entrées and salads. Catering and banquets. Full bar, beer, wine. Take-out. Half price appetizers in cantina 4 pm-8 pm M-F. Wheelchair accessible. 11 am-10 pm Su-Th, 11 am-11 pm F & Sa. All major cards. \$.

FINA TAQUERIA

2621 Willamette St. 431-FINA (3462). Serving lunch and dinner daily, featuring burritos, tacos, salads, enchiladas, quesadillas and nachos. Vegetarian entrées. Kids' meals. Beer. Dine in, take-out and call-ahead pick-up. 11 am-9 pm daily. MC/V. \$.

JALISCO MEXICAN RESTAURANT

3095 W. 11th Ave. 485-8636. Serving lunch, dinner: Mexican cooking, some vegetarian entrées. Friendly staff. Wine, beer, mixed drinks. Fast service with a smile. Reservations for 6+. Banquet room. Take-out. LG. 11 am-10 pm daily. MC/V/D. \$.

LA OFICINA

See Latin American & Caribbean

ZERESHK-POLOW FROM POMEGRANATES

Julie Sharifi, co-owner of Pomegranates, shared this recipe for Zereshk-Polow, a Persian rice dish using affordable, readily available ingredients from her new Mediterranean and Middle Eastern grocery. She says it's perfect for this time of year: flavorful, warming and easy to make. Polow is normally served with kababs or any main dish, unless rice is already used as one of the ingredients.

Makes 4 servings

For the Polow (or Chelow, rice)

500 grams (1 lb.) basmati or long-grain rice, rinsed
Cooking oil, as needed (traditionally, as much as 1/4 cup oil may be used; use less depending on your taste. Julie says she uses about 3 tablespoons.)
2 tbsp. salt

Parboil the rice by boiling in salted water. Cook the rice on a high boil for 15 to 20 minutes, so that a grain of rice snaps in half but the outside is soft. Place in a colander and drain, rinsing with cold water.

Pour a few spoonfuls of cooking oil in a large non-stick pan and add rice. Pour a few more spoonfuls of oil over rice. Cover the pan and cook over low heat for about half an hour. If cooking time is increased, a delicious crispy layer of rice, called "ta-dig," will form at the bottom of the pan.

For the Zereshk (chicken)

800 grams (about 1 1/2 lbs.) chicken
2 large onions, grated
Salt and black pepper, to taste



4 tsp. dried barberries
1 tsp. sugar
1 tbsp. butter
1/2 tsp. saffron
2-3 tsp. hot water

Remove skin from the chicken pieces. Marinate chicken in grated onion, salt and pepper for 4 to 5 hours in refrigerator.

Wash barberries twice with cold water. Add sugar and fry in butter over medium heat for about 5 minutes.

Place saffron in a small bowl. Pour in 2-3 teaspoons hot water and mix. Mix in 1/2 cup already prepared Polow into the bowl with the saffron and mix well. Add the saffron rice and barberries to the rest of the rice and mix well.

Meanwhile, cook marinated chicken under the broiler for 15 to 20 minutes, turning each piece a few times during cooking. Serve over the barberry rice.

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