

BEST NEW RESTAURANT

1. **Elk Horn Brewery** 686 E. Broadway St. 505-8356.
2. **Tacovore** 530 Blair Blvd. 735-3518. tacovorepnw.com.
3. **Grit** 1080 W. 3rd Ave. 343-0501. gritkitchen.com.

You may recognize Elk Horn Brewery as that place on Franklin Boulevard where Carl's Jr. used to be. But once you've been inside, you'll begin to form new memories: ciders, brews and delicious Southern food with a Northwest twist. Elk Horn is a continuation of owners Stephen and Colleen Sheehan's former

Delacata food truck, which opened in 2010 with a similar menu. The food truck didn't use elk, but the most popular item at the new location is the elk burger, made with fresh, local ground-elk steak. Other signature items include a smoked tri-trip burrito and a polenta cake with duck bacon and Cajun hollandaise. Elk Horn offers live music every weekend, and the building is made from entirely recycled building material. "It's been an overwhelming response," says Stephen Sheehan, who increased his staff from 24 to 62 within two weeks of operation. "To be putting that many people to work in the community — we feel really blessed."



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