



WHAT WOMEN WANT

By no means are we experts but from 21 years of experience it's safe to say that the majority of women like shopping and eating at nice restaurants (of course with the guys paying the bill). This guide will help both women and guys find out the places to shop and also where to wine and dine. In this section we will give you the number one place to shop, nice restaurants around the Jacksonville Beach area, and also places to try if you are a wine or high quality beer lover.

St. John's Town Center

4663 River City Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32246

St. John's Town Center is the number one place to shop in Jacksonville. With stores like Brooks Brothers, Banana Republic, Coach, Clarks, Dillards, Express, Guess, Gap, Lane Bryant, Louis Vuitton, and White House/Black Market; there is sure to be something for both men and women at this shopping center.

St. John's also offers some of the best restaurants around that area. Restaurants like The Cheesecake Factory, Ted's Montana Grill, and Maggiano's Little Italy will be familiar with a majority all ya'll while other restaurants such as The Grape might be new.



Yes this place is internationally known for it's cheesecake but that's not the only food selection that tastes great at this restaurant. The Cheesecake Factory offers a variety of food selections: Pizza, Salads, Steaks, Pasta, Sandwiches and Seafood. They offer basically any kind of cheesecake you want and they will let you purchase a whole cheesecake before you leave.

This restaurant does offer lunch specials, which are served until 5 p.m., for more info on The Cheesecake Factory's menu selection, go to:

http://www.thecheesecakefactory.com/resources/8bc93780405bc23e82cdea74cabaed23/Menu_W.pdf



Founded by Ted Turner, this restaurant offers an authentic Montana bar and grill feel from the early 20th century. This place is best known for their authentic bison burgers and steaks. All of the sides have a southern home meal feel such as their green beans, mash or baked potatoes, broccoli, squash casserole and asparagus. The burgers and sandwiches w/ a side are between \$10-17, while entrees and steaks range from \$13-\$30. For more information of what is on the Jacksonville location's menu, go to <http://www.tedsmontanagrill.com/pdfs/menus/TMG-T3.pdf>

MAGGIANO'S # LITTLE ITALY

This place offers a variety like steaks, seafood, sandwiches but its best known for its “authentic” Italian food. Maggiano's Italian selection includes favorites like Baked Ziti & Sausage and other selections like Four Cheese Ravioli and Chicken Marsala. The cool thing about this restaurant is that they offer single sized portions or a full multi-course family style meal. Also Maggiano's has a great wine selection especially if you are a Tuscany, Italy wine lover.

To check out the full menu and what selections are being served during lunch and dinner (steak is only served during dinner) go to:

<http://www.maggianos.com/foodbeverage/default.asp?menu=Dinner>



This is a must stop for people who want to experience different selections of wine. The Grape offer's a selection of over 160+ wines that are classified by taste. This place has a full food menu that was created to pair with each of the restaurants wines and has a staff of experts to help you find the perfect wine selection. Customers are able to taste any wine before they purchase the wine in The Grape's retail store. The price per glass ranges from \$7-10.

The menu features soups, sandwiches, salads, and a selection of cheeses. To look at the Jacksonville location menu and wine selection go to:

<http://www.yourgrape.com/menus/Grape%20AUG%20Menu%20JAX%20no%20crop.pdf>



The Melting Pot is very similar to Dante's Down the Hatch, which is a famous restaurant in Atlanta. Both are fondue restaurant but the Melting Pot is cheaper. The concept is that customers can dip different items in pots that have different sauces and also cook their own food. For appetizers, you can order from a variety of different cheese fondues to dip bread, vegetables, and apples in. The Melting Pot has different individual Entrée selections (shrimp, steak, or chicken) that range from \$20-25. Each table can order a cooking style that will enhance the flavor of your meal. For Desert, you can choose from a variety of chocolates to dip fruit, cheeses, brownies and marshmallows in.

This place is fun for a couple or a group of people, to look at the Menu and directions for the Jacksonville establishment go to the link below and click on the Jacksonville location.

<http://www.meltingpot.com/locations.aspx?z=32256&n=415917>

Restaurants in Jacksonville Beach:

The following restaurants aren't as fancy as the ones above but they are all within five minutes of our hotel and are cheaper for those who want to stay in the jax beach area.



You may have heard this name before. The Salt Life is a clothing line that has looked to take advantage of its local popularity by opening the first Salt Life restaurant. This beach theme restaurant offers a menu that includes sushi, seafood, and burgers. On Fridays, the food shack offers drink specials throughout the night.

For a menu, click below:

<http://www.saltlifefoodshack.com/menu1.php>



This place offers “authentic” Chicago pizza and other Italian food selections. It also has grille food like hotdogs, burgers, wings, and Philly cheese steaks. The best time to go is in the afternoon when Chicago Pizza offers lunch specials. This place is also less than a 2 minute walk from our hotel.

To look at all the lunch specials and other menu selections go to:

<http://www.chicagopizzasportsgrille.com/pmenu.html>