# KATY MAGAZINE'S FAVORITE FOOD PICKS

Hundreds of Katy restaurants competed for the top spots in our coveted Foodie Issue. Our editors culled through the mouthwatering submissions to bring you our 2017 Katy Magazine Food Picks.

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#### **CRAB CAKE TOWER**

Dekker's Mesquite Grill | 8506 Syms St. The crab cake tower is stacked with flavor. Starting with a crab cake, Dekker's adds pico de gallo, avocado, and onion strings, then drizzles the whole thing in balsamic vinaigrette.

#### **HARVEST SALAD**

Salata | Multiple Locations Romaine hearts and cabbage topped with green apples, grapes, dried cranberries, walnuts, feta cheese, and chicken in a pesto sauce. 

#### **BAKED GOAT CHEESE**

Local Table | 22756 Westheimer Pkwy. Start your meal off with a bang. The baked goat cheese appetizer is topped with a sweet marmalade and surrounded by toasted baguettes.

#### TACOS AL PASTOR

Abuelo's | 24600 Katy Fwy. Seasoned grilled chicken and spicy salsa offset by the subtle sweetness of grilled pineapple is found amongst corn tortillas.

**HUGUENOT FILET** 

Peli Peli | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd.

A savory eight-ounce filet topped with a

tangy combination of raspberry chipotle

sauce, creamy blue cheese, and bacon.

LUEBERRY RICOTTA PIZZA Russo's New York Pizzeria **Multiple Locations** New York-style pizza dough is topped with ricotta and mozzarella cheeses, caramelized onions, feta cheese, blueberries, and fresh thyme

#### **BEEF BROCCOLI**

Peter Chang | 1315 W. Grand Pkwy. .S. Thinly sliced beef, fresh broccoli, and slivers of onion all mixed in a housemade sauce and served on a steaming hot pot.

Agave Rio | 1138 FM 1463 Gulf shrimp, lump blue crab, blue crab claws,

**SEAFOOD COBB SALAD** 

applewood bacon, provolone, egg, pickled sweet peppers, and avocado are highlighted by jalapeño cilantro ranch dressing.



#### BEEF RIBS

**ESPETADA** 

Peli Peli | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. This delicious Portuguese specialty is made from beef that is rubbed in garlic salt, skewered onto a bay leaf stick, and cooked over coals or wood chips.

Spring Creek Barbecue | 21000 Katy Fwy. Slow-baked, juicy, fall-off-the-bone ribs. It's pure, down-home perfection when you pair it with a side of pinto beans and a sweet tea.

#### **FILET PERRY**

Perry's Steakhouse | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. Tender, juicy steak is topped with lump crab meat, drizzled in garlic butter with asparagus.

### **ONION RING TOWER**

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen | 21150 Katy Fwy. Fresh onions are hand-battered and made when you order them, served with creamy ranch and Cajun dipping sauces, and delivered stacked to the sky.

### THE SUBSTITUTE

Bernie's Burger Bus 2643 Commercial Center Blvd. There is no "substitute" for this bad boy. A bleu cheese-infused patty, crispy bacon, beer-battered onion strips, and yummy mushrooms.



#### SEARED SEA SCALLOPS

Sammy's Steakhouse | 7035 W. Grand Pkwy. S. Delectable morsels of tender sea scallops seared and served over creamy mushroom risotto with melted leeks and topped with thinly sliced, finely cooked carrots. **GRILLED MAC + CHEE** Tom + Chee | 21788 Katy Fwy. Mac n' cheese smothered in Wisconsin cheddar,

mozzarella, applewood smoked bacon, and crispy onions between white toast slices.

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#### **GNOCCHI PUTTANESCA**

Sapore Ristorante | 6734 Westheimer Lakes N. Dr. Delicate pillows of gnocchi pasta tossed in a sauce created from fresh tomatoes, olive oil, garlic, capers, kalamata olives, and anchovy.

#### **SHRIMP AND GRITS**

Dekker's Mesquite Grill | 8506 Syms St. Tender shrimp is sautéed with red and green bell peppers, mixed in a Cajun sauce, then served on top of poblano asiago grits. -----

#### SHRIMP ENCHILADAS

Abuelo's | 24600 Katy Fwy. Fresh corn tortillas are wrapped around seasoned shrimp and red bell pepper, then topped with a white cream sauce.

#### CHICKEN SALAD AVOCADO TOAST Agave Rio | 1138 FM 1463

Creamy chicken salad layered on smashed avocado with lemon oil and sea salt served on nine grain whole wheat toast.

#### **DIJON CHICKEN & MUSHROOMS**

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen | 21150 Katy Fwy. This chicken dish gets a delightful twist when it's topped with button mushrooms, coated in honey dijon sauce, and served over rice pilaf.

**OYSTER NACHOS** 

Fish City Grill | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. Nacho ordinary appetizer. This tasty dish tops fried oysters with chipotle tartar sauce and fresh pico de gallo.



CHICKEN POTSTICKERS

Leafology Tea Lounge | Multiple Locations Pockets of pure deliciousness are stuffed with chicken, veggies, and spices then seared to crispy perfection.

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#### **CHILE VERDE BURGER**

Old Chicago Pizza | 24515 Katy Fwy. A steak burger smothered with southwest chicken green chile and pepper jack cheese before it is topped with a roasted jalapeño pepper for a touch of heat.

## CAJUN CATFISH

TaD's of Katy | 1425 FM 1463 Catfish marinated and served your way either grilled, blackened, or fried, then topped with their famous, homemade crawfish étouffée.

#### **NEW ZEALAND LAMB CHOPS**

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Sammy's Steakhouse | 7035 W. Grand Pkwy. S. Pan-seared and seasoned to perfection, the chops are served with rosemary potatoes and creamed greens, and covered with a touch of peppercorn brandy.

#### PELI PELI SHRIMP

Peli Peli | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. The comfort of southern cooking meets South African cuisine. Scrumptious grilled shrimp served over a bed of long-grain rice, peas, and bell pepper.



#### **OYSTERS AGAVE**

Agave Rio | 1138 FM 1463 Bite-sized and just the right size for nibbling. Crispy and hearth-roasted blue point oysters, salsa verde, lump crab, and Mexican truffle.

#### MEDITERRANEAN SALMON

Local Table | 22756 Westheimer Pkwy. Fresh and fun, this dish is served with a generous portion of grilled salmon, savory guacamole, basmati rice infused with feta and herbs, and seasonal market veggies.

#### **OSSOBUCCO DI CAPRETTO**

Sapore Ristorante | 6734 Westheimer Lakes N. Dr. This traditional dish that originated in Milan consists of a slow-roasted veal shank served with carrots, onion, celery, and mushrooms over a bed of mushroom risotto.

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#### **GRILLEDPORK CHOP**

Dekker's Mesquite Grill | 8506 Syms St. Mesquite grilled on the bone pork chop seasoned to perfection and served with smashed potatoes and green beans.

#### SLICED BRISKET SANDWICH

Rudy's Bar-B-Q | 21799 Katy Fwy. Layers of tender brisket piled high on a soft bun is a fan favorite. Don't forget to drown it in Rudy's original sause or the sissy sause if you're feeling less adventurous.

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### **BRUSSELS SPROUT SUPER SALAD**

Dish Society | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. This superb mix of shaved Brussels, shredded kale, organic quinoa, dried cherries, golden raisins, shaved almonds, and Parmesan with house honey vinaigrette will leave you full and refreshed.

#### CHATEAUBRIAND

Perry's Steakhouse | 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. The tenderloin filet is carved table-side and adorned with truffle merlot demiglace, Bearnaise, and peppercorn reduction sauces.

#### **BBQ & BACON MELT**

Tom + Chee | 21788 Katy Fwy. The grilled American classic adds applewood smoked bacon, BBQ sauce, kettle chips, and sandwiches it between sour-white bread.

#### CHICKEN CHIPOTLE PANINI

Leafology Tea Lounge | Multiple Locations Their signature chipotle chicken is coated in melted pepper jack cheese, topped with lettuce and tomato, and complemented by a toasted panini.

### SHRIMP POBOY

TaD's of Katy | 1425 FM 1463 The toasted baguette has trouble containing all of the crispy fried shrimp with a Cajun flair in this tasty sandwich.

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