

Eating in New Orleans

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Matthew Dietz, DIG's litigation director, was a presenter at the 47th Annual Autism Society National Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana. While I am extremely proud that our Litigation Director presented at this conference, this article is not about that. However, you should consider that my segue into the real purpose of this article- to take this opportunity to discuss food with you. As such, it only seems right that I share some of my favorite places to eat in New Orleans.

I had the privilege of calling New Orleans home for a year, so while Matt, Debbie and the rest of the office were preparing travel arrangements, speeches, pamphlets, and other necessary things for their booth at the conference, I had one of the hardest jobs of them all (disclaimer: self-proclaimed hardest job, not based on actual facts) - I was in charge of preparing a list of restaurants they needed to visit while they were in New Orleans for the conference.

Anyone that has visited New Orleans knows what a special place it is and knows that the food there is unlike anywhere else in the world. For those that do not know, the eclectic combinations of Cajun, French, Italian African, Chinese and everything in between are pure poetry in your mouth and would suggest a visit to the historic city in the near future.

I know you're anxiously awaiting the list of restaurants I narrowed it down to, so here it is (Disclaimer: the conference was held in downtown, so I limited the list to restaurants close to downtown):

Luke 333 St. Charles Ave New Orleans, LA 70130	Acme Oyster House 724 Iberville St. New Orleans, LA 70130	Coop's Place 1109 Decatur St. New Orleans, LA 70116
Brennan's 417 Royal St. New Orleans, LA 70130	Surrey's Café & Juice Bar 1418 Magazine St. New Orleans, LA 70130	Drago's Hilton New Orleans Riverside 2 Poydras St. New Orleans, LA 70130
Antoine's 713 St. Louis St. New Orleans, LA 70130	Dat Dog 601 Frenchmen St. New, Orleans, LA 70116	Café du Monde 800 Decatur St New Orleans, LA 70116

Words to live by, "Always order the oysters!"