

The Hidden Gems: Exploring the Lost Restaurants of Charleston's Rich American Palate

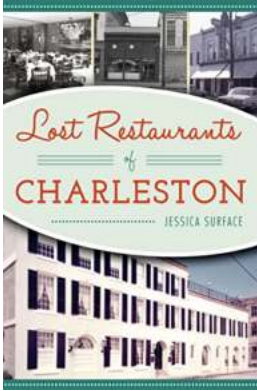
Charleston is renowned for its rich history, beautiful architecture, and vibrant food scene. The city is a melting pot of culinary traditions, where countless talented chefs have left their mark over the years. Unfortunately, not all of these culinary treasures have stood the test of time. In this article, we delve into the lost restaurants of Charleston that once graced the American palate with their unique flavors and stories.

1. The Olde Town Inn



The Olde Town Inn was a beloved establishment that delighted locals and visitors alike for more than five decades. A cozy neighborhood spot, it served hearty American fare infused with Southern charm. The restaurant's signature dish, the

Lowcountry Boil, was a mouthwatering combination of shrimp, corn, potatoes, and sausage. Sadly, the Olde Town Inn closed its doors in 2006, leaving behind fond memories and a void in the hearts of diners.



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2. The Planters Inn Restaurant



Located in the luxurious Planters Inn, this upscale restaurant was a culinary haven for fine dining enthusiasts. Its elegant ambiance and impeccable service made it a go-to spot for special occasions. The menu showcased a fusion of French and Southern flavors, with dishes like she-crab soup and pan-seared grouper being highlights. Despite its success, the Planters Inn Restaurant closed in 2012, leaving a lasting impression on all those fortunate enough to have dined there.

3. The Wickliffe House



Originally a private residence built in the 1850s, the Wickliffe House transformed into a charming restaurant known for its elegant atmosphere and refined cuisine. With a focus on farm-to-table dining, the menu featured seasonal ingredients sourced from local farms. Diners could indulge in exquisite dishes such as grilled Ossabaw pork chops and sautéed green beans with lemon zest. Sadly, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Wickliffe House closed its doors in 2017, marking the end of an era.

4. The Atlantic House



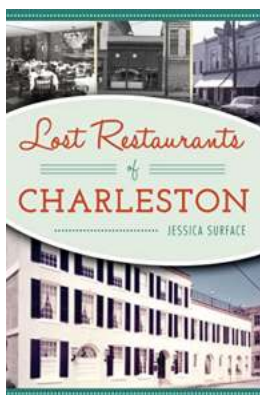
The Atlantic House was a coastal gem that celebrated the flavors of the sea. Located near Folly Beach, this waterfront restaurant offered breathtaking views alongside its delectable seafood. Diners could relish in shrimp and grits, fresh oysters, and blackened redfish while soaking in the ocean breeze. Regrettably, the Atlantic House ceased operations in 2015 after many years of delighting patrons.

5. The Exchange Brewery



At the heart of Charleston's brewing scene stood the iconic Exchange Brewery. Established in 1881, it was a favorite gathering spot for locals who enjoyed the art of craft beer. The brewery offered an extensive selection of beers, from classic ales to unique experimental brews. Tragically, due to a fire in 1908, the Exchange Brewery was forced to close its doors forever, leaving behind a legacy that would forever be remembered.

While these lost restaurants may no longer grace Charleston's streets, their stories continue to live on in the memories of those who experienced their culinary delights. Their closure reminds us of the ever-evolving gastronomic landscape and the importance of cherishing the unique flavors and traditions that make Charleston's American palate so special.



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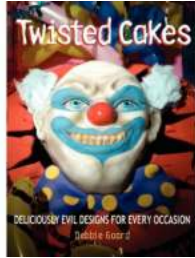


Discover the culinary heritage of South Carolina's famous port city with this guide to historic restaurants that have come and gone.

Once a sleepy city of taverns and coffeehouses, Charleston evolved into a culinary powerhouse of innovative chefs and restaurateurs. Jessica Surface, founder of Chow Down Charleston Food Tours, celebrates the city's rich cultural history in *Lost Restaurants of Charleston*.

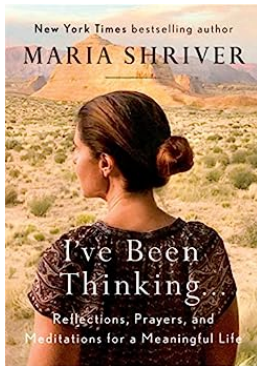
The origins of she-crab soup trace back through Everett's Restaurant. The fine dining of Henry's evolved from a Prohibition-era speakeasy. Desserts were flambéed from the pulpit of a deconsecrated church at Chapel Market Place, and

Robert's hosted Charleston's famous singing chef. From blind tigers to James Beard Awards, Surface explores the stories and sites that give Charleston its unique flavor.



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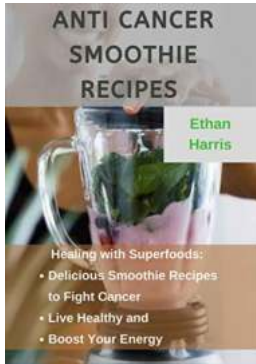
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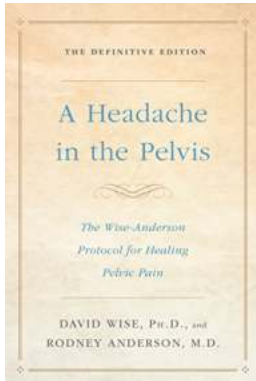
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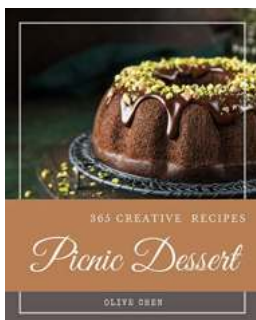
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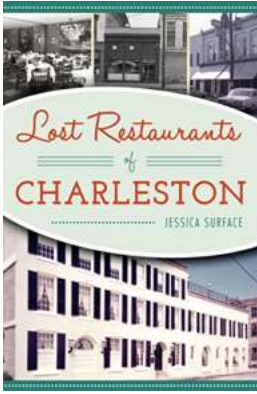
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