

RESTAURANT RECOMMENDATIONS (within walking distance of Hotel Indigo)

Common Interest @ Hotel Indigo

Brunch – 6am-2pm Daily Lunch – 10:30am-2pm Daily Dinner – 2pm-12am (Sat) and 2pm-11am (Sun-Fri)

For Breakfast:

Café Fleur de Lis - 129 Camp Street (just a block away from our hotel)

Daisy Dukes Café - 308 St. Charles Ave (also just a block away)

Ruby Slipper CBD - 200 Magazine Street (two blocks away)

And, of course, the iconic **Café Du Monde** in the French Quarter at 800 Decatur Street (about a 15-minute walk from Hotel Indigo) has its tasty beignets and café au lait.

For Lunch or Dinner:

GW Fins - 808 Bienville Street Creative, ever-shifting seafood menu featuring fresh catches in a stylish updated warehouse space.

Muriel's Jackson Square – 801 Chartres Street Classic Creole fare in a 19th-century building with old-world elegance, plus a Sunday jazz brunch.

Stanley of New Orleans – 547 St. Ann Street Airy, sun-filled cafe on Jackson Square with elevated, modern Louisiana fare & all-day breakfasts.

Antoine's – 713 St. Louis Street Circa-1840 old-world grand dame of fine French-Creole dining & birthplace of oysters Rockefeller.

Galatoire's – 209 Bourbon Street Fine-dining century-old institution serving French-Creole fare in upscale space (jackets required)

Dickie Brennan's Steakhouse – 716 Iberville Street Classic steakhouse fare with a Creole twist in a posh, wood-paneled space with a busy happy hour.

Irene's - 529 Bienville Street Upscale Italian classics draw crowds to this homey yet elegant dining room with a piano bar.

Café Amelie - 900 Royal Street

A V Team favorite. Delicious Louisiana fare in an intimate corner setting on Royal and Dumaine Streets.



LGBT+ BAR RECOMMENDATIONS

OZ - 800 Bourbon Street

Cool, late-night gay dance club with DJs, drag shows, go-go dancers & a balcony for peoplewatching. Opens nightly at 6pm.

Bourbon Pub Parade - 801 Bourbon Street

24/7 gay bar with 2 floors, a balcony, & nonstop dance-club music keeping the party going.

Good Friends Bar - 740 Dauphine Street

Gay bar with a laid-back vibe, mahogany bar & a Victorian-styled upstairs with a balcony. Open 24 hours.

Rawhide Lounge - 740 Burgundy Street

Down-to-earth gay leather bar for men only, with daily happy hours, pool & adult videos on TV. Opens 3pm.

Café Lafitte in Exile - 901 Bourbon Street

24x7 tavern & happening gay hangout since 1953 with a wraparound balcony & happy hour specials.

The Corner Pocket - 940 St. Louis Street

Divey gay pub known for scantily clad men dancing on the bar each night, plus sports on TV.

SAFETY TIPS

- Stay in well-lit areas with other people nearby. Avoid being the only person on ANY street. And travel in pairs/groups.
- During the massive crowds of Mardi Gras, pick pocketers are your biggest threat. Carry money/wallets in your front pocket and when you have your phone out, never look clueless. Someone could grab it and run. Just be aware of your personal belongings at all times.
- When crossing streets where there is no crossing light, cars have the right of way and pedestrians have the right of way. Technically, that's only partially true. Pedestrians should ALWAYS have the right of way, but in this city things work differently. If you're going to begin crossing the street on foot, make direct eye contact with any approaching drivers and wave to them as you cross the street. That way, they know you see them, and they now see you. It inevitably becomes a game of chicken of who'll go first. If you're not in a hurry, just let *them*.
- Don't get so drunk on the streets that you can't fully function in emergency situations.
- As easy as it is to say, "keep your wits about you," that has never been more true or more important than now. Be aware of your surroundings AT ALL TIMES. And whether you're indoors or outside, scope out your possible exit routes to ensure you have relatively easy egress if a situation warrants.
- With extra security everywhere, follow ALL directions given by law enforcement officials.