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Our favorite South Shore restaurants

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For decades, dining out along [Suffolk's](#) South Shore was highlighted by the big seafood catch. A drift net's worth of fishermen's platters, either broiled or fried, vied with surf-and-turf, often filet mignon and a lobster tail. Stuffed flounder: very popular. Likewise, baked clams and mussels marinara.

But in recent years, the choices from [Babylon](#) to [Patchogue](#) have grown both in variety and style, the familiar has been tweaked, new eateries continue to expand the repertoire. Traditionalists need not be concerned. Plenty of familiar fare is on the regional menu.

Here are 10 of our favorites on [Suffolk's](#) South Shore.

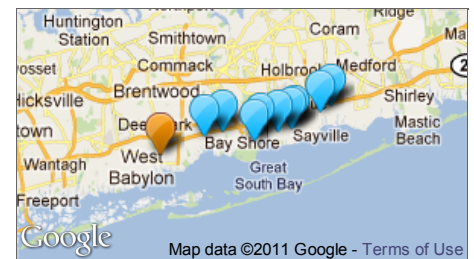
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Where



Blue Chill

117 Deer Park Ave., Babylon

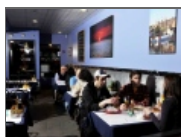
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New American, Seafood, American
 117 Deer Park Ave. Babylon

The mostly seafood place is uber-casual, with an All American red-white-and-blue color scheme and ...

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Cafe Taka

\$\$ | Restaurant, Turkish
 164 E. Main St. Bay Shore

A veritable kebab magnet, just don't go expecting frills. Seating can be tight, but the ...

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Verace

\$\$\$ | Restaurant, Italian, Pasta, Pizza, Italian
 599 Main Street Islip

Recently updated, the menu here now has a more traditional structure. More important, the food ...

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George Martin's Strip Steak

\$\$\$ | Restaurant, American, Steak
60 River Rd. Great River
George Martin's Strip Steak beefs up dining out at the end of the Southern State ...

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Onsen Sushi

Sushi
597 Montauk Hwy. Oakdale
Sushi chef Jason Chen is a whiz with raw fish. Everything coming out of his ...

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View

\$\$\$ | Seafood, American, Sushi
3 Consuelo Place Oakdale
View answers a popular question on Long Island: Can you find a very good restaurant ...

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Bistro 25

\$\$ | New American
45 Foster Ave. Sayville
A "recession friendly" place to eat, where the menu includes a small plate of truffled ...

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La Tavola

\$\$\$ | Italian
183 W. Main St. Sayville
Set for either a meal or a spot for relaxing, both the dining room and ...

Critic rating



Bluepoint Bar & Grill

\$\$ | Pub, American, New American
154 Montauk Hwy. Blue Point
Bluepoint Bar & Grill is the kind of go-to restaurant that today's economy demands. A ...

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PeraBell Food Bar

\$\$\$ | American, New American, Eclectic, Pub
69 East Main St. Patchogue
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