

This list was compiled by YMCA of Central New York team members with the help of our community partners at InterFaith Works of Central NY. Stories were either provided by restaurant owners or taken from restaurant websites and interviews.

Do you have a favorite restaurant that's missing from this list? Help us celebrate them as a part of next year's Welcoming Week and email us their info at [contactus@ymcacny.org](mailto:contactus@ymcacny.org).



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# INTERNATIONAL FOOD PASSPORT

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As part of the YMCA's Welcoming Week, the YMCA of Central New York has compiled a list of restaurants in the greater Syracuse area run by immigrants and their families. These restaurants showcase cuisines from around the world.

LISTED BY CUISINE TYPE

## RESTAURANTS LISTED ALPHABETICALLY

Aloha Japanese Bento	Koto
Asahi Japanese Restaurant	Las Delicias
Baghdad	Layla's
Big Burma	Mamma Hai
Bongo's Jerkhut	Mediterranean Combo
Byblos Mediterranean Café	Mi Casa Grande
Calle Tropicale	Mi Casita
Chorong House	Mr Bigg's
Don Juan	Munjed's Middle Eastern Café
Dosa Grill	New Century
El Trailer Del Sabor	Oasis Mediterranean Market
Erawan	Pita Dream
Erma's Island	Ponchito's
EthioEritrea	Ponchito's
Eva's European Sweets	Red Chili
Firecracker Thai	Royal Indian Grill
Gangnam Style	Sahota Palace
Goodies Mediterranean Grill & Cuisine	Secret Garden
Guadalajara	Sinbad
Habiba's Ethiopian Kitchen	Spoon & Chopsticks
I LOVE Thai	Sumera Restaurant
India Chaat Fashion House	Syracuse Halal Gyro
Jamaica Cuse	Taste of Africa
Jianghu Café	Thai Thai Cuisine
Kebab Guys	Victoria
King David's	Vietnamese Noodle House

## AFRICAN CUISINE

### Taste of Africa

820 Danforth St, Syracuse, NY 13208  
(315) 378-4152  
toasyracuse.com

"My family originated from the Republic of Congo. In the early 1990s, a civil war broke out and my family was forced to run and leave everything behind. We became refugees, first in different cities within our own country, then, after another civil war, we found ourselves in Gabon. Finally, in what has become our second home, we settled in the United States of America.

In all places we've been, we learned to cook different types of food. Since arriving in Update New York in August of 2005, it's been my dream to open a restaurant and share my love of African cuisine with the local community. After many years of planning and perseverance, my dream finally came true in October of 2017. My story is similar to the stories of many who came to this country before me to find better lives for themselves and for their children.

-- Mr. Ullys Mouity"

### Habiba's Ethiopian Kitchen

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202

### EthioEritrea

505 N State Street, Syracuse, NY 13203  
(315) 870-3514  
ethioeritreacuse.wixsite.com

## CHINESE CUISINE

### Jianghu Café

725 E Fayette Street, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 992-8888  
jianghuonline.com

### Red Chili

2740 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13224  
(315) 446-2882  
redchilisyracuse.com



## EUROPEAN CUISINE

### Eva’s European Sweets

1305 Milton Ave, Syracuse, NY 13204

(315) 487-2722

[evaspolish.com](http://evaspolish.com)



## INDIAN CUISINE

### Dosa Grill

4467 E Genesee St, Syracuse, NY 13214

(315) 445-5555

[syracusedosagrill.com](http://syracusedosagrill.com)

### Sahota Palace

668 Old Liverpool Road, Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 413-0016

[sahotapalaceliverpool.com](http://sahotapalaceliverpool.com)

### India Chaat Fashion House

4469 E Genessee Street, Syracuse, NY 13214

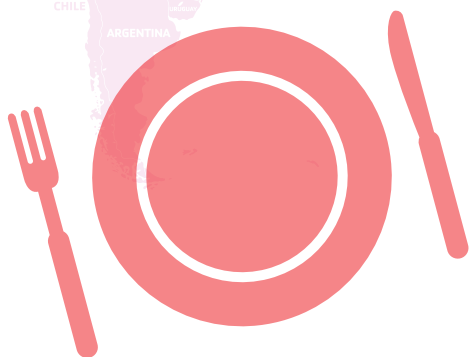
(315) 446-2417

### Royal Indian Grill

147 Marshall Street, Syracuse, NY 13210

(315) 425-5444

[suroyalindiagrill.com](http://suroyalindiagrill.com)



## JAPANESE CUISINE

### Aloha Japanese Bento

217 S Salina Street #3, Syracuse, NY 13202

(315) 802-7384

[aloha-japanese-bento-express.square.site](http://aloha-japanese-bento-express.square.site)

### Asahi Japanese Restaurant

508 Westcott Street, Syracuse, NY 13210

(315) 424-8818

[asahisyracuse.com](http://asahisyracuse.com)

### Koto

9331 Destiny USA Dr, Syracuse, NY 13204

(315) 479-5686

[kotodestiny.com](http://kotodestiny.com)



## KOREAN CUISINE

### Chorong House

1121 E Fayette Street STE 1, Syracuse, NY 13210

(315) 428-0501

[facebook.com/ChorongHouse](http://facebook.com/ChorongHouse)

### Gangnam Style

115 Harvard Place, Syracuse, NY 13210

(315) 422-1219

[gangnamstylekoreankitchensyracuse.com](http://gangnamstylekoreankitchensyracuse.com)

### Secret Garden

2731 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13224

(315) 449-3333

[biwonsyracuse.com/secret-garden.html](http://biwonsyracuse.com/secret-garden.html)

### Spoon & Chopsticks

753 James Street, Skyline Apartment 1FL, Syracuse, NY 13203

(315) 422-1555

[spoonandchopsticks.net](http://spoonandchopsticks.net)

## ▶▶▶ LATIN AMERICAN/CARIBBEAN CUISINE

### **Calle Tropicale**

Food Truck- locations vary  
calletropical.com

### **Bongo's Jerkhut**

440 South Ave, Syracuse, NY 13204  
(315) 478-5303  
bongojerkhut.com

### **El Trailer Del Sabor**

Corner of Seymour & Niagara Streets, Syracuse, NY 13204  
(315) 965-6616  
facebook.com/eltrailer.delsabor

### **Erma's Island**

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 217-1989  
ermasislandsyr.com

"Latoya migrated to America from Jamaica at age 19, determined to establish a better life for herself and her family. Opening up a restaurant featuring outstanding Jamaican cuisine had been a lifelong dream- and is soon to be a reality.

Mama Erma is proud! She is Latoya's maternal grandmother who planted the seed for a love of cooking and culinary arts deep within her soul. She sets the example how to delight diners with savory, and traditional Jamaican food.

Latoya began cooking at the age of eight. She had watched with gripping curiosity and fascination as her storied and talented grandfather- a celebrated cook in Jamaica-enticed generations of food lovers. Latoya's mother continued the tradition and passed it on to her. The eldest of nine siblings, Latoya found them to be a welcoming and ready-made clientele upon which to practice her culinary gifts.

Latoya prioritizes exceptional, flavorful and authentic foods from Jamaica and the Caribbean."

## ▶▶▶ LATIN AMERICAN/CARIBBEAN CUISINE (CONTINUED)

### **Guadalajara**

324 W Water Street, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 552-1300  
guadalajaramexican.com

### **Jamaica Cuse**

117 E Fayette Street, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 399-4027  
facebook.com/Jamaica-Cuse-112117323830846

### **Las Delicias**

552 Westcott Street, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 422-0208  
<https://www.facebook.com/Las-Delicias-Restaurant-133695790025955/>

### **Layla's**

376 Grant Blvd, Shop City Plaza, Syracuse, NY  
(315) 940-8035  
syracusecaribbeanfood.com

### **Mi Casa Grande**

1706 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 960-0009  
<https://www.facebook.com/Mi-Casa-Grande-110268960856078/>

### **Mi Casita**

1614 Lodi Street, Syracuse, NY 13208  
(315) 870-3392  
micasitarestaurant.wordpress.com

### **Mr Bigg's**

658 N Salina Street, Syracuse, NY 13208  
(315) 299-5588  
mymrbiggs.com

## ▶▶▶ LATIN AMERICAN/CARIBBEAN CUISINE (CONTINUED)

### **Ponchito's (Court Street)**

3800 New Court Ave, Syracuse, NY  
(315) 218-0294  
ponchitossyr.com

### **Ponchito's (Fayette Street)**

1022 W Fayette Street, Syracuse, NY 13204  
(315) 870-3625  
ponchitossyr.com

### **Victoria**

129 Columbus Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 378-4328  
<https://www.facebook.com/Victoria-restaurant-101243781875616/>

### **Don Juan**

102 Grand Ave, Syracuse, NY 13204  
(315) 472-1770  
donjuanrestaurant.net

## ▶▶▶▶ MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

### **Byblos Mediterranean Café**

223 N Clinton St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 478-3333  
byblossyr.com

Byblos Cafe name was inspired by a visit to Byblos, which is located in Lebanon. Byblos is the Greek name of the ancient Phoenician city Gebal in what now is Lebanon. Byblos is said to have been founded around 5000 BC. Today it is believed by many to be the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world. Byblos cafe offers an authentic Lebanese experience; fresh, homemade food with proven health benefits. We are family run and opened our doors on April, 2010. We serve up all of the traditional menu items made from scratch daily. Most of our dishes are Lebanese influenced. We offer a large selection of vegetarian dishes.

## ▶▶▶▶ MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE (CONTINUED)

### **Goodies Mediterranean Grill & Cuisine**

3605 James St, Syracuse, NY 13206  
(315) 433-1003  
syracusegoodiesmediterranean.com

Goodies Mediterranean Grill & Cuisine is a cornerstone in the Syracuse community and has been recognized for its outstanding Mediterranean cuisine, excellent service and friendly staff. Our Mediterranean restaurant is known for its modern interpretation of classic dishes and its insistence on only using high quality fresh ingredients.

### **Mediterranean Combo**

149 Marshall Street, Syracuse, NY 13210

### **King David's**

317 Towne Drive, Fayetteville, NY 13066  
(315) 637-0485  
kingdavids.com

### **Oasis Mediterranean Market**

2646 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13224  
(315) 449-0002  
oasis-mediterranean-market.business.site/

## ▶▶▶▶ MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE

### **Munjed's Middle Eastern Café**

505 Westcott Street, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 425-0366  
munjeds.net

### **Syracuse Halal Gyro**

477 Westcott Street, Syracuse, NY 13210  
(315) 299-6640  
syracusehalalgyro.com



## ▶▶▶▶ MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE (CONTINUED)

### **Kebab Guys**

3179 Erie Blvd E Suite 170, Syracuse, NY 13214  
(315) 299-7001  
kebabguysyracuse.com

### **Pita Dream**

214 Walton Street, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 504-7482  
pitadream.com

### **Baghdad**

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 378-7853  
baghdadcny.com

My name is Firas, and I am originally from Baghdad, Iraq. When the war came my family resettled as refugees in Syracuse in 2014. I've cooked at Middle Eastern restaurants in town (Byblos, Red Olive), opened a restaurant with 2 partners (Sumer), opened my own restaurant in Fairmount (Baghdad) and am now opening a stall at Salt City Market. This is a hard business. But I have given my life to it because I love sharing my country's food and making my guests feel cared for. I am devoted to building a business for my sons to inherit and building bridges through food with my new community.

### **Sinbad**

2727 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13206  
(315) 565-5655  
sinbadsweets.net

### **Sumera Restaurant**

2204 Genessee Street, Syracuse, NY 13219  
(315) 802-2390  
facebook.com/sumer.restaurant

## ▶▶▶▶ SOUTHEAST ASIAN CUISINE

### **New Century**

518 Kirkpatrick St, Syracuse, NY 13208  
(315) 410-9999  
<http://www.newcenturyviet.com/>

### **Big Burma**

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 308-0454

### **Vietnamese Noodle House**

3801 Milton Avenue, Camillus, NY 13031  
(315) 870-9087

### **Thai Thai Cuisine**

3138 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13214  
(315) 802-7660  
thaithaisyracuse.com

### **Firecracker Thai**

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 362-1700  
firecrackersyr.com

### **Mamma Hai**

Salt City Market: 484 S Salina St, Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 313-5611  
mammahai.com

### **Erawan**

2724 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13224  
(315) 445-8152  
erawan-inc.net

### **I LOVE Thai**

2822 Lemoyne Ave, Syracuse, NY 13211  
(315) 928-5659  
thailoveny.com