

OZAUKEE COUNTY TOURISM

# Local eateries reel in flavorful fish fries

Friday fish fries are a cherished tradition in many communities throughout Wisconsin, and here in Ozaukee County, we're no different. Who doesn't love a hearty serving of deep-fried fish accompanied by golden-brown fries, coleslaw and a wedge of lemon? Or maybe you're more of the "more fish, less fry" ilk. Whether you're looking for tradition, or you're looking for something new and different, our Ozaukee County Tourism partners have got you covered!

**Traditional fish fry**

MJ's Bar and Grill, a funky Victorian-era industrial themed bar and grill in Saukville, offers a treat for all your senses with something interesting and whimsical everywhere you look. Their delicious fish fries offer two- or three-piece baked, panko crusted or beer-battered cod that comes with your choice of potato, coleslaw, rye bread and tartar sauce.

Kyotes Bar and Grill in Belgium is a laid-back sports bar with great food and a fantastic atmosphere, including a dining area that overlooks the indoor volleyball courts. Their Friday night fish fry offers a choice of beer-battered cod, baked cod and bluegill with your choice of french fries, tots, baked potato or potato pancakes.

John's Pizzeria has been serving the Grafton area for more than 30 years. In addition to their delicious homemade pizza, they offer fish fries every day they are open. Dinners include panko pollock, three-piece cod, or six-piece shrimp with french fries, all served with your choice of a salad, pasta salad or coleslaw and Italian bread.

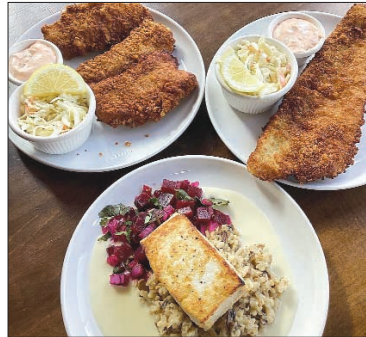
Port Washington's Inventors Brewpub is a family-friendly brewpub and restaurant located just north of downtown Port Washington on Lake Michigan. Inventors is a great place for burgers, poutine, and on Fridays, a traditional cod fish fry, breaded cod fish tacos and a cod sandwich. They even offer a kid's fish fry for the little ones.

Fork and Tap is a family-friendly restaurant with a casual atmosphere overlooking the Port Washington



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Foxtown Brewing has a long list of seafood options, including the traditional beer-battered cod, **above. Right**, Cedarburg's Stilt House offers their potato chip crusted cod fish fry and hand-breaded walleye as well as a weekly fresh fish special.



marina with a fantastic menu that offers everything from sharables to signature pork and chicken sandwiches. On Fridays, they offer a potato chip crusted or beer battered cod fish fry with dill coleslaw, mashed potatoes and tartar sauce.

The bustling Luxembourg Cafe in Belgium is known for their great breakfast and lunch option and offers fried or broiled cod and fried perch fish fries on Fridays, with a variety of side choices. They're only open until 3 p.m. though, so plan accordingly!

Enjoy a delicious cod or lake perch fish fry overlooking the 18th hole at the Bog! This golf course restaurant is a great place to enjoy a Friday fish fry, or one of their rotating specials, along with a classic Wisconsin old fashioned or manhattan.

**A little traditional, a little unique!**  
Moonlight Tavern in Port

Washington is a delightful blend of supper club, fine dining and casual dining with everyday entrees that include vodka shrimp and scallops, blackened snapper and skewered giant prawns. Their appetizer menu offers a delectable selection of lobster claws, smoked salmon, calamari and seasonal oysters. Their Friday night fish fries include Canadian walleye, battered haddock, battered bluegill, fresh Great Lake perch, fried shrimp and even a combo bucket, which includes a medley of walleye, bluegill and shrimp, all served with traditional fish fry fixings.

The Union House Cedarburg is a restaurant & public house that offers craft cocktails and small plates with a city vibe and a modern spin. You won't find a traditional fish fry at this cozy spot — but you will find several mouth-watering sharables

featuring some of your favorite fish, including salmon cucumber bites, salmon crostinis, shrimp skewers and a yellowfin tuna dish served to perfection.

The Stillery in Grafton offers a constantly evolving food menu, plus hard to find whiskeys, 12 beers on tap and a unique drink list. It's no surprise they have a wide selection of fish fries that you can order on Wednesdays and Fridays. The menu offers a classic fish fry, cod sandwich, baked cod, shrimp dinner, cod tacos and clam chowder. They also offer a Bang Bang shrimp wrap and shrimp tacos any day of the week.

Don't let the name "Foxtown Brewing" fool you into thinking Foxtown is just a brewery! Foxtown offers a



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The Stillery in Grafton offers a fish fry on Wednesdays and Fridays.

full menu, but seafood aficionados will appreciate their varied offerings that include a traditional beer-battered or baked cod, Gochujang (chili rubbed) salmon, breaded walleye, shrimp tacos, blackened salmon tacos and a creole shrimp sammie. All these options come with a variety of delicious sides, and all are available every day (except Sundays when the restaurant is closed.)

If you love traditional Wisconsin supper clubs, you'll love Juice's Ghost Town in Grafton. Their Friday fish fry offers traditional breaded or beer battered perch, haddock or walleye that are all served with your choice of potato, coleslaw and rye bread. You can also opt for broiled or pan-fried fish and potato pancakes. They also offer jumbo shrimp, shrimp scampi, Cajun haddock or salmon Oscar, a grilled filet topped with shrimp, crab meat, asparagus and a béarnaise sauce.

The Stilt House in Cedarburg is a casual dining restaurant that features 30 beers on tap, premium wine and cocktails, and top-notch food all at affordable prices. Every Friday (and daily during Lent) the Stilt House offers their potato chip crusted cod fish fry, as well as hand-breaded walleye. But before you order, make sure to ask about their fresh fish special, which recently featured delicacies like sea bass, scallops, branzino, mussels

and swordfish. The fresh fish special is never fried and varies because of the scarcity and seasonality of the fish coming into Wisconsin.

Located inside the newly renovated Harborview Hotel, The Beacon is a lakefront dining venue offering a wide range of locally sourced options served in their stylish dining room, trendy bar, or on their seasonal outdoor deck. Their daily menu offers seafood options like Maryland style crab cakes and calamari, plus several daily fish options including walleye, salmon, perch, jumbo fried shrimp and salmon Oscar. On Fridays they also offer a perch or cod fish fry and poor man's lobster, a baked cod with drawn butter.

Daily Taco in Thiensville offers "the cheel" fish fry on Fridays, a gluten free option lightly fried in chickpea and rice flour, as well as chipotle shrimp tacos, burritos, burrito bowls and salad (available daily).

Whether you're enjoying golden delicious fried fish or light and healthy pan seared shrimp skewers, Friday fish fries are more than just a meal — they're a tradition that creates memories and evokes feelings of togetherness. As you savor the unique and varied flavors offered throughout Ozaukee County, celebrate the long lasting tradition that has anchored communities and united hearts and tables for generations.