Durham Restaurant Listings

For its size, Durham contains a large number of restaurants offering a broad range of cuisines. From traditional British fare to spicy Mexican, there is sufficient variety to suit all tastes. Here we have provided a listing of a few of our favourite restaurants in and around the city centre. All relative directions are from Market Square. A ‘(c)’ denotes national chain. ‘£’-signs denote relative prices.

**Chinese**

**In Shanghai**

*Below The Gates Centre, facing river.*

Tel: 0191 375 7333; £

Good quality, buffet-style Chinese Restaurant. As well as providing a wide range of choice from the buffet, individually prepared side orders are also included with the meal.

**French**

**Cafe Rouge (c)**

*Bottom of Silver Street*

Tel: 01913 843429; £

A touch of Paris in the centre of Durham. French cuisine served in a Parisian-style cafe.

**Italian**

**Capriccio**

*On your left on Saddler St*

Tel: 0191 370 9550; £

Relatively new restaurant serving good classic Italian cuisine, more authentic than some of the large chains.

**Indian**

**The Capital**

*Past the traffic lights on Claypath*

Tel: 01913 843429; £

Often regarded as the best curry house in Durham. Very wide selection of dishes and sundries.

**Spice Lounge**

*Behind the Church on Market Square*

Tel: 01913 843429; £

Another great curry house tucked away down the alleyway behind the church on Market Square. Again, a full range of Indian food on offer ranging from mild to ‘blow your head off’ spicy!!

**Rajpooth**

*Near the traffic lights on Claypath*

Tel: 0191 386 1496; £

Situated just down the road from The Capital, if you can’t get a table in one just try the other!

**Alishaan**

*On the roundabout at the end of North Road*

Tel: 01913 70 0180; £

New Indian restaurant, with modern decor and atmosphere and excellent food.
Mexican/Tex Mex

Tia's
Up Claypath Street, before the traffic lights.
Tel: 0191 383 9001; ££
More than just your typical Mexican fare. Tasty Fajitas and burritos plus other, less spicy options. Make sure you try the "Tia's Rose" - a local speciality!

Nando's (c)
Part of the Millennium/Gala Complex
Tel: 0191 384 5424; £
Chicken, chicken, chicken is on the menu for a meal at Nando's. Choose one of their hot sauces to spice up your piriri piriri chicken (Vegetarian options are also available!).

Spanish & Tapas

La Tasca (c)
Saddler St., just before turn for the Cathedral
Tel: 0845 126 2958; ££
The UK's leading chain of tapas bars. Good quality tapas that's great for large groups.

El Coto
Halgarth St., Opposite the Victoria pub
Tel: 0191 384 4007; £££
Small, independent tapas bar serving authentic Spanish cuisine. Excellent food and good service, well worth a visit and caters well for groups.

Pub Food & British Cuisine

The Court Inn (Pub)
Behind Barclays opposite the Students' Union.
Tel: 0191 384 7350; £
A wide range of very hearty pub food. Generous portions.

Oldfields
Up Claypath on your left, before traffic lights.
Tel: 0191 370 9555; ££
A more refined menu combining good quality, locally sourced ingredients. Bargain hunters will love their early evening (before 7pm), fixed price menus.

 Slug and Lettuce (c; Bar)
Part of the Millennium/Gala Complex
Tel: 0845 126 2900; £
Restaurant/Bar serving up good lunch and evening meals. Menu covers a large range of food types catering all tastes and preferences.

The Market Tavern (Pub)
On Market Square
Tel: 0191 386 2069; £
Traditional British Pub serving traditional British Food at reasonable prices.

The New Inn (Pub)
Just across the road from the Science Site.
Tel: 0191 384 7308; £
Located just across the road from campus, has standard pub fare for low prices.

Hide
On your left on Saddler St.
Tel: 0191 384 1999; ££
The small bar at the font opens up to a good-sized restaurant at the rear. A more refined style of English cuisine than is typically offered in a Pub.

Fallen Angel Hotel
On your left, toward the end of Old Elvet.
Tel: 0191 384 1037; £££
Excellent meals in a refined atmosphere. Particularly known for steaks and hamburgers, although with vegetarian options as well.

Thai

Central Thai
In The Gates Centre, across Framwellgate Bridge
Tel: 0191 597 8774; ££
Very good Thai restaurant with classic Thai dishes and a nice location overlooking the river Wear.

Fat Buddha (c)
Part of the Millennium/Gala Complex
Tel: 0191 383 1390; £££
Funky, modern restaurant serving up Asian Fusion cuisine. Excellent food, good service and large portions.

Zen
Opposite The Court (see above).
Tel: 0191 384 9588; ££
A lovely restaurant set in a beautiful Victorian building serving up delicious Thai fusion cuisine. Classy decor and good service make this a popular choice.