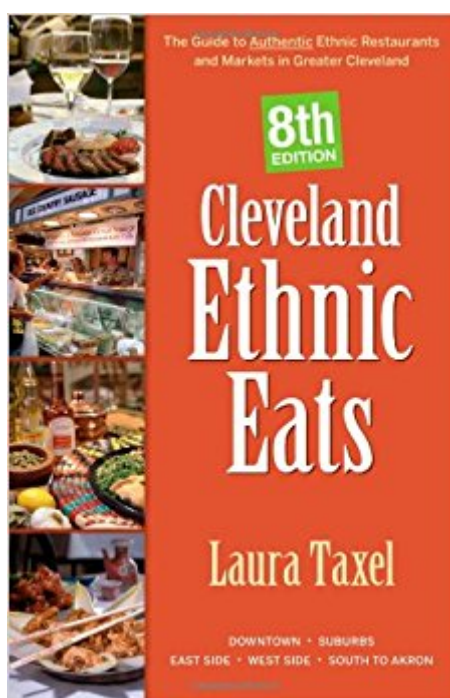


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# Cleveland Ethnic Eats: The Guide To Authentic Ethnic Restaurants And Markets In Northeast Ohio



## Synopsis

“The best guidebook to the ethnic cultures of Greater Cleveland.” • The Plain Dealer Discover a world of exotic cuisines • right here in our own backyard! These 356 authentic ethnic restaurants and markets (from more than 50 different countries and cultures) are recommended by the experts: Cleveland’s ethnic citizens themselves. Laura Taxel found out where they go for an authentic meal; her book shares those delicious discoveries. This book is about eating as adventure. With it you’ll discover places, hidden behind nondescript storefronts and tucked away in innocuous strip malls, where shopkeepers wear saris, menus are written in beautiful Asian calligraphy, and the scent of exotic spices fills the air. Detailed listings tell what you’ll find when you go, from menu items and specialties to prices, hours, ambiance, attire, and parking.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Dipping into Laura Taxel’s book is like putting on a pair of magic glasses. Before, Northeast Ohio is meatloaf and peas. After, it’s a colorful melting pot of Jamaican jerk wings and Hungarian stuffed cabbage, of reggae in the back room and curried goat in the kitchen . . . More than just a guide to ethnic grocery stores, carryouts and restaurants. It’s a glimpse of the people and cultures that season life in Northeast Ohio. (Akron Beacon Journal 1995-10-18) The best guidebook to the ethnic cultures of Greater Cleveland • the only guidebook, really • has been updated to reflect a changing city. Follow the food and you will

discover the culture . . . Taxel scouts restaurants, trattorias, markets and cafes in the region—her ethnic communities, soaks in the ambiance and often interviews the Old World owners. Then she compiles what she has learned into a one-of-a-kind guide. (Bob Smith The Plain Dealer 2009-04-30)Without question, this book is an indispensable and exhaustive catalog of Cleveland—her bountiful ethnic food culture. Consider it an ethnic restaurant-only version of the Yellow Pages, only more descriptive and detailed . . . Adventurous cooks will make the most of Taxel—her listing of ethnic markets, which are often shopped exclusively by immigrants in the know, and are crucial resources for hard-to-find ingredients. (Free Times 2004-03-17)If someone is looking for great Cleveland area Jewish delis that feature hand-cut corned beef, pickled tongue, or beet borsht topped with sour cream, they should pick up a copy of Laura Taxel—her Cleveland Ethnic Eats. The tantalizing guide offers a full plate of authentic ethnic dining. (Arlene Fine Cleveland Jewish News 2001-11-09)Makes tabletop adventuring easy as pie . . . A great resource, full of fascinating tidbits, like the history of Greek immigration to Cleveland and the essential differences between Southern cooking and soul food. (Elaine Cicora Cleveland Scene 2001-10-18)Find out where gastronomical treasure-troves are hidden in the strip malls and storefronts of your neighborhood, whether you live in Bratenahl or Broadview Heights. Taxel gives detailed information on 356 establishments in northeast Ohio, so you have no excuse for eating or shopping at the same old joint week after week. (Sarah R. Sphar Northern Ohio Live 2002-12-01)

Laura Taxel has been writing about food and the people who prepare it for three decades. Her articles have appeared in local, regional, and national publications. She has won numerous Excellence In Journalism awards from The Press Club of Cleveland and the competition sponsored by the Ohio Society of Professional Journalists. In 2004, 2006, and 2008 her work was chosen for Best Food Writing, a national anthology published annually. Taxel is a member of the International Association of Culinary Professionals and the Cleveland chapter of Les Dames d—her Escoffier International.

Had this book years ago and it was a great reference for Cleveland ethnic restaurants - 3 stars only because outdated - wish author could bring it up to date

All too often, newspaper restaurant reviews are crooked because the newspaper wants advertisers and/or the reviewer introduced him/her self to the owner. This book is honest. However, it pays to call the restaurant in advance, because restaurants often go out of business, change ownership,

and change identity. Due to Cleveland's tremendous ethnic variety, this book is really handy. It's a good gift for folks who just moved to Cleveland.

This book gives several good ideas for restaurants to try, but so many good places were left out. I would like to see more ratings on the food quality. I gave this book as a gift & the recipient wondered if it was paid advertising.

Rarely have I been so glad to see a new edition of a reference book arrive - my husband and I have used Cleveland Ethnic Eats for years to discover new and different dining options in every corner of the Cleveland metro area. Laura Taxel gives exhaustive commentary on a huge variety of restaurants, providing helpful reference points as to general cost, atmosphere and location. We found several of our very favorite restaurants thanks to her - it's a shame she wasn't interviewed when Anthony Bourdain filmed an episode of No Reservations here, because she's a true insider with an adventurous palate. We keep this book in the car; I suppose that means it passes the test of whether or not it's really helpful!

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