

# Dinner & Nightlife Near Delta Hotels Utica

Here for the NYS Tourism Conference? You're right in the heart of downtown and just minutes from some of the area's best restaurants, pubs, and late-night spots. Whether you're looking for a great dinner, something casual, or a place to grab a drink after hours, here are some of our favorite nearby options.

## Host Hotel & Overflow Hotel Dining Options

### **Shade Bar & Grill** (*inside Delta Hotels by Marriott*)

Classic American comfort food with a full bar. Easy, convenient, and right downstairs.

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### **Iconic Restaurant** (*inside DoubleTree by Hilton Utica*)

Upscale Italian and American dining in a refined setting.

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## New American, Seafood & Contemporary

### **The Tailor and the Cook**

Farm-to-table New American cuisine with seasonal menus and craft cocktails. Reservations recommended.

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### **Ocean Blue Restaurant & Oyster Bar**

Seafood-focused menu with sushi, oysters, and cocktails. Popular spot for dinner and drinks.

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### **mōtus**

Modern American gastropub with creative plates and a great bar program.

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### **Nola's**

Creative, upscale American cuisine in a cozy setting. A great option for a special night out.

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## Italian, Steakhouse & Wine Bars

### **Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse**

Classic steakhouse favorites and Italian-American dishes. Great for groups and business dinners.

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### **Chesterfield's Tavolo**

Italian comfort food with a cozy, upscale feel. Reservations available online.

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### **Portofino Restaurant & Events**

Waterfront Italian dining with a beautiful setting and full bar.

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### **Ancora!**

Italian and Mediterranean fine dining with a strong wine list and polished atmosphere.

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### **Aqua Vino**

Italian cuisine with an extensive wine list in an elegant, intimate setting.

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### **Café del Buono**

Classic Italian-American comfort food, including local favorites like chicken riggies and Utica greens.

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### **It's a Utica Thing**

Local spot celebrating Utica classics, featuring homemade pasta along with chicken riggies and Utica greens.

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## International & Specialty

### **Lotus Garden Noodle & Sushi House**

Asian fusion featuring Thai, Cambodian, and Japanese dishes, plus sushi.

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### **Symeon's Greek Restaurant**

Authentic Greek cuisine with generous portions. A longtime local favorite.

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### **Zeina's Café**

Lebanese and Mediterranean cuisine with fresh, flavorful dishes in a casual setting.

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### **One Arabian Night**

Middle Eastern cuisine with traditional dishes and vegetarian options.

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### **Los Amigos (Taqueria Los Amigos)**

Casual Mexican spot known for tacos, burritos, and classic favorites.

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### **Rio Grande Tex-Mex Grill**

Classic Tex-Mex dishes with a laid-back, casual vibe. Great for a fun, easy dinner.

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## **Casual & Group-Friendly**

### **Babe's at Harbor Point**

Burgers, Utica favorites, sandwiches, and comfort food. A great casual spot for groups.

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### **Polish Community Club**

Traditional Polish meals and community events. Check for public dining nights and events.

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### **Piggy Pat's Smoke & Ale House**

Barbecue and smoked meats in a casual setting with hearty portions.

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### **One Genny**

Italian-American favorites, pizza, and casual bar fare in a relaxed, family-friendly setting.

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### **Beef & Bird**

Casual, fast-casual spot focused on beef and chicken sandwiches. Best for a quick bite or takeout rather than large groups.

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## **Pizza & Tomato Pie (A Utica Staple)**

### **O'Scugnizzo Pizzeria**

Utica institution famous for classic tomato pie and thick, Sicilian-style slices.

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### **Venice Pizza**

Well-known for Utica tomato pie, plus Italian deli specialties to go.

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### **Nina's Pizza**

Local favorite for classic pizza, perfect for a casual slice or quick dinner.

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## **Half-Moons & Italian Bakeries**

### **Holland Farms Bakery & Deli**

Home of Utica's iconic half-moon cookie, plus pastries, bread, and sandwiches.

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### **Hemstrought's Bakeries**

Another local favorite for half-moons, along with classic cakes, pastries, and baked goods.

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### **Florentine Pastry Shop**

Old-school Italian bakery with cookies, pastries, and classic desserts.

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### **Caruso's Pastry Shoppe**

Italian bakery and café offering pastries, cookies, and desserts.

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## Utica Classics: Chicken Riggies & Utica Greens

*These are true regional specialties.*

You'll find great versions of these local dishes at:

- **It's a Utica Thing** – Homemade pasta and Utica classics
- **Babe's at Harbor Point** – Local favorites in a casual setting
- **Café del Buono** – Classic Italian-American comfort food
- **Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse** – Upscale take on Utica staples
- **One Genny** (*short drive*) – Casual Italian-American spot
- **Portofino Restaurant & Events** – Waterfront Italian dining with regional favorites

*(All of these restaurants are already listed above.)*



## Late Night Bars & After-Dinner Drinks



### Cocktail & Lounge

#### **Silk**

Stylish cocktail and dessert bar, perfect for a nightcap or late-night drinks.

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### Pubs & Casual Bars

#### **Griffin's Pub**

Classic downtown pub with drinks and a relaxed, local feel.

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#### **Five Points Public House (Irish Cultural Center)**

Irish pub with drinks, food, and frequent live music or events.

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## Varick Street Late Night Options (Brewery District)

### **1888 Biergarten & Tavern (Saranac Brewery)**

Beer, cocktails, and food in a lively brewery setting.

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### **Nail Creek Pub & Brewery**

Craft beer brewed in-house with classic pub food.

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### **Lukin's on Varick**

Brick oven pizza, drinks, and a fun late-night crowd.

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### **Varick Bar & Grill**

Classic neighborhood bar right on Varick Street.

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### **O'Donnell's Pub & Grill**

Irish pub on Varick Street with drinks and pub fare.

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### **The Celtic Harp**

Irish pub and restaurant with drinks and dinner options.

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## Coffee & Breakfast

### **Utica Coffee Roasting Co.**

Local favorite for coffee, espresso drinks, and light breakfast and lunch options. Multiple locations in the area.

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### **Knead to Eat Bakery & Café**

Coffee, baked goods, sandwiches, and breakfast items in a cozy café setting.

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**Joseph Putrello Coffee Bar**

Artisan coffee bar featuring specialty espresso drinks and a curated café menu.

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**Emerson Ave Coffee** (*Short drive from downtown*)

Popular local coffee shop and roastery in New Hartford, worth the quick drive for great coffee and pastries.

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