

# Insider's Guide to

# CLEVELAND

Welcome to Cleveland—home of beer, brats, baseball, rock 'n' roll and a whole lot more!

C-town just happens to be our hometown, so we know a lot about where to go and what to do here—all those nooks and crannies!

We've put together this Insider's Guide to Cleveland to fill you in on where to fill yourself up. You'll learn all you need to know about where to go for a night on the town after a hard day on the job.

C-town has it all: everything from comfort food to fine dining, at cozy pubs and supper clubs. (You see, at Sonnhalter, we not only like to get our hands dirty...we like to get them gooey and greasy too!)

So while you're enjoying a taste of the town, make sure you check out our city's many sights. You'll find out just how much Cleveland rocks...and why we're so proud to call it home.

## Warehouse District

### The Barley House

Gastropub  
(216) 623-1700  
www.barleyhousecleveland.com  
Sit long, talk much and laugh often.

### Blue Point Grille

Seafood  
(216) 875-7827  
www.bluepointgrille.com  
This local institution, and anchor of the neighborhood, serves upscale and fresh seafood in an elegant environment.

### Johnny's Downtown

Italian  
(216) 623-0055  
www.johnnyscleveland.com  
A classic Italian restaurant with the best bartenders in the city. And if you're looking for a casual spot with food from the same excellent kitchen, check out Johnny's Little Bar right around the corner.

### Johnny's Little Bar

Bar and Grill  
(216) 861-2166  
614 Frankfort Ave.  
Great neighborhood dive with one of the best burgers in town.

### Mallorca

Iberian  
(216) 687-9494  
www.mallorcacle.com/  
A taste of Spain & Portugal.

### Osteria

Italian  
(216) 685-9490  
www.facebook.com/OsteriaDiValerioAl  
Traditional Italian.

## East 4th

### Butcher & the Brewer

Brewpub  
(216) 331-0805  
www.butcherandthebrewer.com  
Public house seating and a great atmosphere. Regular yoga classes between the fermentation tanks.

### The Greenhouse Tavern

American Cuisine  
(216) 443-0511  
www.thegreenhousetavern.com  
One of Bon Appétit Magazine's Top Ten Restaurants in America.

### Lola Bistro

Italian  
(216) 621-5652  
www.lolabistro.com  
A modern spin on classic Italian dishes.

### Mabel's BBQ

Cleveland-Style BBQ  
(216) 417-8823  
www.mabelsbbq.com/  
Legendary chef Michael Symon brings together a multitude of BBQ influences to create a distinctly Cleveland-style at this fun, instantly popular site.

### Saigon Restaurant and Bar

Vietnamese  
(216) 344-2020  
www.saigoncleveland.com  
Exciting new culinary experience.

## Public Square

### REBoL

Café  
(216) 505-5898  
[www.wearerebol.com/](http://www.wearerebol.com/)

Located smack-dab in the heart of Public Square, this funky all-day café offers abundant outdoor seating, organic meals, as well as excellent coffee, beer and cocktails.

## Flats

### Alley Cat Oyster Bar

Oyster Bar  
(216) 574-9999  
[www.alleycatoysterbar.com](http://www.alleycatoysterbar.com)

Alley Cat features the cuisine of a traditional shore restaurant with mainstays like oysters, mussels, clams, lobster and fresh fish, alongside chicken, steak, chowders, soups and salads.

### Collision Bend Brewing Company

American  
(216) 273-7879  
[www.collisionbendbrewery.com](http://www.collisionbendbrewery.com)

Crafted artisanal beers and Southern California street food for a unique dining and social experience. The brewery features a wood-burning pizza oven, three bars, outdoor seating with amazing river front views and a brewer's room that accommodates private parties, tastings and events. Boats can dock along the patio.

### Lago Bistro

Italian  
(216) 862-8065  
[www.lagoeastbank.com](http://www.lagoeastbank.com)  
Regional & contemporary Italian, with an extensive bourbon and cigar menu.

### Luca's

Italian Cuisine  
(216) 862-2761  
[www.lucacleveland.com](http://www.lucacleveland.com)  
On the Superior Viaduct, one of the best views in the city.

### Merwin's Wharf

Comfort Food  
(216) 664-5696  
<https://clevelandmetroparks.com/parks/visit/parks/lakefront-reservation/merwin-s-wharf>  
Operated by the Cleveland Metroparks, this relaxed lakefront bar and grill offers southern-leaning comfort food, outdoor seating options and a social and environmental education element.

### Punch Bowl Social Club

Adult Arcade  
(216) 239-1508  
[www.punchbowlsocial.com/location/cleveland](http://www.punchbowlsocial.com/location/cleveland)  
Bowling, shuffleboard, classic arcade games and more combine with a great selection of craft beers and fresh food choices for a one-of-a-kind experience.

## Gordon Square

### Blue Habanero

Mexican  
(216) 465-1818  
[www.bluehabanerocleveland.com](http://www.bluehabanerocleveland.com)

Specializing in delicious street style tacos and hand-crafted margaritas made from scratch and with only the finest tequilas.

### Brewnuts

Donut Shop  
(216) 600-9579  
[www.brewnutscleveland.com](http://www.brewnutscleveland.com)

Part bar, part donut shop, this hip Detroit-Shoreway spot pairs beer-based donuts (think Hefeweizen-spiked banana cream, ginger glazed with gooseberry-IPA jam), with craft beer and artisanal coffee.

### Good Company

American  
(216) 331-0318  
[www.goodcompanycle.com](http://www.goodcompanycle.com)

Neighborhood bar with straightforward food like potato skins, wings, burgers, fries and milkshakes done very, very well! A signature item, the Good Boi, twin griddled patties topped with white American cheese with grilled onions, shredded lettuce, house pickles and a gribiche-style special sauce.

### Happy Dog

Gourmet Hot Dogs  
(216) 651-9474  
[happydogcleveland.com](http://happydogcleveland.com)  
One-of-a-kind hot dog experience.

### Il Rione

Pizza  
(216) 282-1451  
[www.ilrionepizzeria.com](http://www.ilrionepizzeria.com)

New York style pizzas where the blistered pies are topped with the likes of Calabrian chiles, Gaeta olives and middle neck clams, and served alongside charcuterie, wine and craft beer.

### Luxe

Mediterranean  
(216) 920-0600  
[www.luxecleveland.com](http://www.luxecleveland.com)  
Food. Music. Friends.

### Ninja City

Asian Street Food  
(216) 862-7200  
[www.ninjacity.com](http://www.ninjacity.com)  
Hand-held bowls and noodle dishes dominate this fun, relaxed space. Perfect for vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free diners.

### Spice Kitchen & Bar

A leader in the local food movement  
(216) 961-9637  
[www.spicekitchenandbar.com](http://www.spicekitchenandbar.com)  
Voted Cleveland's best new restaurant. Menu changes with the seasons.

### Stone Mad Pub

Pub  
(216) 281-6500  
[stonemadpub.com/](http://stonemadpub.com/)  
Flavorful food in a one-of-a-kind space, including an indoor bocce court and beautiful patio.

### Sweet Moses

Soda Fountain  
(216) 651-2202  
[www.sweetmosestreats.com](http://www.sweetmosestreats.com)  
A vintage soda fountain and home-made ice cream, phosphates and more sweet treats.

### XYZ Tavern

Casual Dining  
[www.xyzthetavern.com](http://www.xyzthetavern.com)  
(216) 706-1104  
100 Whiskeys, and comfort food from scratch.

## Ohio City

### Bruno's Ristorante

Italian Cuisine  
(216) 961-7087  
www.brunosristorante.net  
Excellent selection of Italian cuisine.

### Crop Bistro

Inventive American Fare  
(216) 696-CROP  
www.cropbistro.com  
Modern American cuisine, a Zagat & Wine Spectator award-winner.

### Flying Fig

A Small Eatery and Bar  
(216) 241-4243  
www.theflyingfig.com  
Chef Karen Small has one of the most innovative and tasty eateries.

### Momocho

Mod Mex  
(216) 694-2122  
www.momocho.com  
A James Beard nominee, offering inventive Mexican cuisine.

### SOHO Chicken + Whiskey

Southern  
(216) 298-9090  
www.sohocleveland.com  
Eatery serving modern takes on Southern cuisine, with signature cocktails, in atmospheric digs.

### The Plum

American  
(216) 938-8711  
www.theplumcafeandkitchen.com  
Expect clever New American fare at this Ohio City hot spot showcasing Asian- and Southern-inspired eats as well as an extensive list of cocktails, wine and craft beer in a sleek, brick-lined space with a roomy patio.

### Town Hall

Sophisticated Swill  
(216) 344-9400  
www.townhallohiocity.com  
A fresh & healthy take on a neighborhood dining & drinking destination.

## Tremont

### Dante

Modern American Cuisine  
(216) 274-1200  
www.danteboccuzzi.com  
Creative, seasonal dining from Dante Boccuzzi. A la carte or personalized tasting menu options available.

### Fahrenheit

Contemporary American Cuisine  
(216) 781-8858  
www.chefroccowhalen.com/fahrenheit-cleveland/  
Chef Rocco Whalen offers the best short ribs in town.

### Ginko

Sushi  
(216) 274-1202  
http://ginko.danteboccuzzi.com  
One of the best sushi restaurants in the country.

### Grumpy's Café

Cleveland Style Comfort Food  
(216) 241-5025  
www.grumpys-cafe.com  
Breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a legendary week-end brunch.

### Literary Tavern

(216) 862-1916  
literarytavern.com  
A sharp neighborhood tavern offering bar snacks and shareable meat and cheese boards along with salads, sandwiches, burgers, house-made pastas and entrees built around vegetables, seafood and meat with a wide variety of beer, wine and liquor.

### Lucky's Café

Breakfast & Lunch  
(216) 622-7773  
www.luckyscafe.com  
A fresh, locally sourced take on classic diner food.

### Parallax

Asian Fusion  
(216) 583-9999  
http://parallaxtremont.com/  
Creative and simply prepared Asian fusion shines at chef-owner Zack Bruell's Tremont destination.

### Rowley Inn

American  
(216) 795-5345  
www.therowleyinn.com  
Neighborhood watering hole since 1906 offering local beers & regional grub that is food driven. A place that serves all generations of Clevelanders and visitors with the best drinks (local brews too) and food (dishes with a Cleveland twist). Stop in for breakfast at 5:30 a.m. for The Mill Worker's Breakfast paying tribute to the area's working class heroes.

### Sokolowski's University Inn

Eastern European  
(216) 771-9236  
www.sokolowskis.com  
A Cleveland mainstay, serving the best traditional Polish food since 1923.

### Southside

Gastropub  
(216) 937-2288  
www.southsidecleveland.com  
Casual atmosphere, fantastic food and one of the best patios in Tremont.

### Tremont Taphouse

GastroPub  
(216) 289-4451  
www.tremonttaphouse.com  
Named "Best Beer Bar in Ohio" by Thrillist, and with a menu to match, this Tremont institution redefines the neighborhood bar.

### Ty Fun

Thai Bistro  
(216) 664-1000  
www.tyfunthaicleveland.com/index.html  
Service is phenomenal and the dishes are exquisitely prepared.



## Little Italy

### Corbo's Dolceria

Italian and Bakery  
(216) 421-8181

[www.corbosbakery.net](http://www.corbosbakery.net)

Try the cannoli and their world-famous cassata cake.

### La Dolce Vita

See name of the neighborhood  
(216) 721-8155

[www.clevelanddolcevita.com/](http://www.clevelanddolcevita.com/)

Dedicated to providing a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, while preparing the perfect meal.

### Mama Santa's

Pizza & Sicilian Cooking  
(216) 231-9567

[www.mamasantas.com](http://www.mamasantas.com)

Lunch or dinner, winner of best pizza in Cleveland too many times to count.

### Michelangelo's

Italian  
(216) 721-0300

[www.mangelos.com](http://www.mangelos.com)

Classic yet contemporary Italian cuisine.

### Presti's Café and Deli

Bakery, Deli and Coffee  
[www.prestisbakery.com](http://www.prestisbakery.com)  
(216) 421-3060

Sandwiches, Italian favorites, buttery homemade cookies and irresistible fruit tortes.

### Trattoria on the Hill

Italian  
(216) 421-2700

[www.trattoriaromangarden.com](http://www.trattoriaromangarden.com)

Best vegetarian Italian.

## University Circle/Uptown

### Club Isabella

French  
(216) 229-1111

[www.clubisabella.com](http://www.clubisabella.com)

With an owner/chef who graduated from the famed Cordon Bleu in Paris, but keeps his Cleveland roots, this lovely hide-away specializes in serving upscale food in a non-stuffy, non-pretentious way.

### Fairmount Cocktail Bar

American (New)  
(216) 229-9463

[www.thefairmount.net](http://www.thefairmount.net)

Chill, cozy spot with a patio for upscale pub plates, including vegan eats, plus wine and cocktails.

### Kenko

Sushi & Teryaki  
(216) 862-7690

[www.kenko-usa.com](http://www.kenko-usa.com)

Build your own sushi and teriyaki from a seemingly endless variety of fresh ingredients with knowledgeable staff ready to help.

### L'Albatros

French Brasserie  
(216) 791-7880

[www.albatrosbrasserie.com](http://www.albatrosbrasserie.com)

Tucked away in the heart of Case Western and University Circle.

### Provenance

Eclectic  
(216) 707-2600

[www.clevelandart.org/visit/provenance/provenance-cafe](http://www.clevelandart.org/visit/provenance/provenance-cafe)

Fine dining in the world-class Cleveland Museum of Art.

## Lakewood

### Angelo's

Pizza  
(216) 221-0440

[www.angeloslakewood.com](http://www.angeloslakewood.com)

One of the best pizza places in Northeast Ohio.

### Barroco

Pan-Latin  
(216) 221-8127

[www.barrocoarepabar.com/](http://www.barrocoarepabar.com/)

Specializing in Arepa making, a white hominy corn grilled pocket, their Columbian-inspired menu blends other Latin influences for a delicious experience.

### Deagan's Kitchen and Bar

Gastropub and American  
(216) 767-5775

[www.deagans.com](http://www.deagans.com)

High-quality food in a fun atmosphere.

### El Carnicero

Mexican  
(216) 226-3415

[www.elcarnicerolakewood.com](http://www.elcarnicerolakewood.com)

Modern Mexican favorites, extensive tequila bar and a vibrant venue.

### Forage Public House

Gastropub  
(216) 226-2000

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

Dedicated to 100% sustainable, farm-specific menu items, and Greener Fields Certified, Forage prides itself on still being the perfect neighborhood bar.

### Harlow's Pizza

Pizza  
(216) 712-6502

[harlowspizza.squarespace.com/home](http://harlowspizza.squarespace.com/home)

Neapolitan-style pizzas baked in an Italian wood-burning oven at this stylish Lakewood spot, also offering beer and spirits.

### Pepper's

Italian  
(216) 226-6191

[www.pepperslakewood.com](http://www.pepperslakewood.com)

A quaint Mom and Pop dining destination.

### Proper Pig Smokehouse

BBQ  
(440) 665-3768

<http://www.properpigsmokehouse.com/>

The brick and mortar location for one of Cleveland's favorite food trucks, this fast-casual BBQ joint serves Texas-style meats and sides until they run out. Get there early.

### Salt+

Global Small Plates  
(216) 221-4866

[www.saltcleveland.com/](http://www.saltcleveland.com/)

Dozens of small plates, all carefully made and endlessly complimentary, encourage diners to share, enjoy and relax. One of the city's most eclectic cocktail, beer and wine lists only adds to the experience.

## Other Cleveland Neighborhoods & Suburbs

### Saint Clair/Superior

#### Slyman's Restaurant

Sandwiches  
(216) 621-3760

[www.slymans.com](http://www.slymans.com)

Check out the world-famous corned beef sandwiches.

#### Goldhorn Brewery

Eastern European Taphouse  
(216) 465-1352

[www.goldhornbrewery.com](http://www.goldhornbrewery.com)

Traditional Eastern European brews with a local neighborhood twist and food selections from the nearby legendary Sterle's all mixed in a cool open eclectic space.

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### Collinwood

#### Citizen Pie

Neopolitan Pizza  
(216) 417-2742

[www.citizenpie.com/](http://www.citizenpie.com/)

With an oven and recipes straight from Italy, and inspiration from the neighborhood, Citizen Pie is gathering a loyal local and national following, including acclaimed food writer Michael Ruhlman. Make sure to check out the dough counter on the website; when they sell out, they close.

#### The Standard

American Bistro  
(216) 531-9643

[standard185.com/](http://standard185.com/)

Bringing creative dining back to one of Cleveland's oldest neighborhoods, along with a great cocktail and beer list. Make sure to ask to sit at the bar looking right into the kitchen, or enjoy their expansive patio.

### Shaker Heights/Cleveland Heights

#### Edwin's

French  
(216) 921-3333

[edwinsrestaurant.org](http://edwinsrestaurant.org)

High-end French plates including meat & seafood options with upscale drinks served amid luxe decor.

#### Fire Food & Drink

American  
(216) 921-3473

[www.firefoodanddrink.com](http://www.firefoodanddrink.com)

Simple food. Sustainable practices. Igniting the community.

#### Michael's Genuine Food and Drink

American  
(216) 230-8022

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

A vibrant neighborhood bistro built on seasonal ingredients -- clean, fresh flavors using product from the best sources.

#### Nighttown

Eclectic  
(216) 795-0550

[www.nighttowncleveland.com](http://www.nighttowncleveland.com)

Cleveland's legendary Jazz venue, celebrating more than 50 years.

### AsiaTown

#### Number One Pho

Vietnamese  
(216) 781-1176

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/1-Pho/236803809668441>

Try the bubble tea.

### Beachwood

#### Flour

Italian  
(216) 464-3700

[www.flourrestaurant.com](http://www.flourrestaurant.com)

Tradition meets culinary innovation for a one-of-a-kind meal.

#### Mitchell's Fish Market

Seafood  
(216) 765-3474

[www.mitchellsfishmarket.com](http://www.mitchellsfishmarket.com)

The Cleveland location for this well-known chain.

#### Moxie

Modern American Fusion  
(216) 831-5599

[www.moxietherestaurant.com](http://www.moxietherestaurant.com)

An east side staple, serving creative food with an exemplary wine selection.

#### Shuhei

Sushi  
(216) 464-1720

[www.shuheirestaurant.com](http://www.shuheirestaurant.com)

Off the beaten path, but well worth finding. Excellent Japanese cuisine and sushi.

## Rocky River

### Joe's Deli

Deli  
(440) 333-7890  
www.myjoesdeli.com

Using the freshest ingredients to present the finest foods, whether it be Lebanese cuisine, stacked sandwiches or one of the daily specials.

### Market

Upscale Sports Bar  
(440) 799-4292  
www.marketbeer.com  
100 Beers, the best Bloody Mary's in town and a modern atmosphere make for a unique spin on the classic sports bar.

### Tartine Bistro

Italian Cuisine and Wine Bar  
(440) 331-0800  
www.tartinebistro.com  
Offers weekly wine pairing dinners.

## Multiple Cleveland-Area Locations

### Aladdin's Restaurants

www.aladdinseatery.com  
Middle Eastern Cuisine.

### B Spot Burgers

www.bspotburgers.com  
Michael Symon's burger joint.

### Barrio

www.barrio-tacos.com  
Custom-made tacos. Designed by you.

### Melt

www.meltbarandgrilled.com  
Like no other grilled cheese you've ever seen.

### Mitchell's Ice Cream

www.mitchellshomemade.com  
Ice Cream Parlor.

## Nightlife and Bars

**ABC Tavern** – www.abcthetavern.com

**Bar Cento** – 1948w25.com

**Beachland Ballroom & Tavern** – www.beachlandballroom.com

**Buckeye Beer Engine** – www.buckeyebeerengine.com

**Fat Head's Brewery and Saloon** – www.fatheadsclub.com

**Flight** – www.flightcleveland.com

**Flying Monkey** – www.theflyingmonkeypub.com

**Forest City Shuffleboard** – www.forestcityshuffle.com

**The Grog Shop** – www.grogshop.gs

**Harp Bar** – www.the-harp.com

**Hoopple's River Bed** – www.hoopples.com

**The Improv Comedy Club** – www.improv.com

**LBM** – www.lbmbar.com

**Mahall's 20 Lanes** – www.mahalls20lanes.com

**The Map Room** – www.maproomcleveland.com

**Masthead Brewing** – mastheadbrewingco.com

**McNulty's Bier Markt** – www.bier-market.com

**Noble Beast Brewing** – www.noblebeastbeer.com

**Parkview Nite Club** – www.parkviewniteclub.com/

**Pickwick and Frolic** – www.pickwickandfrolic.com

**Platform Beer Co.** – platformbeer.co

**Porco Lounge & Tiki Room** – www.porcolounge.com

**The Spotted Owl** – http://spottedowlbar.com/

**Terrestrial Brewing** – www.facebook.com/terrestrialbrewing/

**Treehouse** – www.treehousecleveland.com

**Tributary** – tributarycleveland.com

**Velvet Tango Room** – www.velvettangoroom.com

**Vosh** – www.voshclub.com

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## Cleveland Sightseeing

**Christmas Story House** – [www.achristmasstoryhouse.com](http://www.achristmasstoryhouse.com)  
**Cleveland Botanical Garden** – [www.cb garden.org](http://www.cb garden.org)  
**Cleveland Metroparks** – [www.clevelandmetroparks.com](http://www.clevelandmetroparks.com)  
**Cleveland Museum of Art** – [www.clevelandart.org](http://www.clevelandart.org)  
**Cleveland Museum of Natural History** – [www.cmnh.org](http://www.cmnh.org)  
**Cleveland Orchestra at Severance Hall** – [www.clevelandorchestra.com](http://www.clevelandorchestra.com)  
**The Cleveland Play House** – [www.clevelandplayhouse.com](http://www.clevelandplayhouse.com)  
**Cleveland Zoo** – [www.clemetzoo.com](http://www.clemetzoo.com)  
**First Energy Stadium** – [www.firstenergystadium.com](http://www.firstenergystadium.com)

**Great Lakes Science Center** – [www.glsc.org](http://www.glsc.org)  
**House of Blues** – [www.houseofblues.com/cleveland](http://www.houseofblues.com/cleveland)  
**Malley's Chocolate Factory** – [www.malleys.com](http://www.malleys.com)  
**Playhouse Square Center** – [www.playhousesquare.org](http://www.playhousesquare.org)  
**Progressive Field** – <http://cleveland.indians.mlb.com/cle/ballpark/>  
**Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse** – [www.rocketmortgagefieldhouse.com/](http://www.rocketmortgagefieldhouse.com/)  
**The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum** – [www.rockhall.com](http://www.rockhall.com)  
**The West Side Market** – [www.westsidemarket.org](http://www.westsidemarket.org)  
**Western Reserve Historical Society** – [www.wrhs.org](http://www.wrhs.org)

## Taxis and Ground Transportation

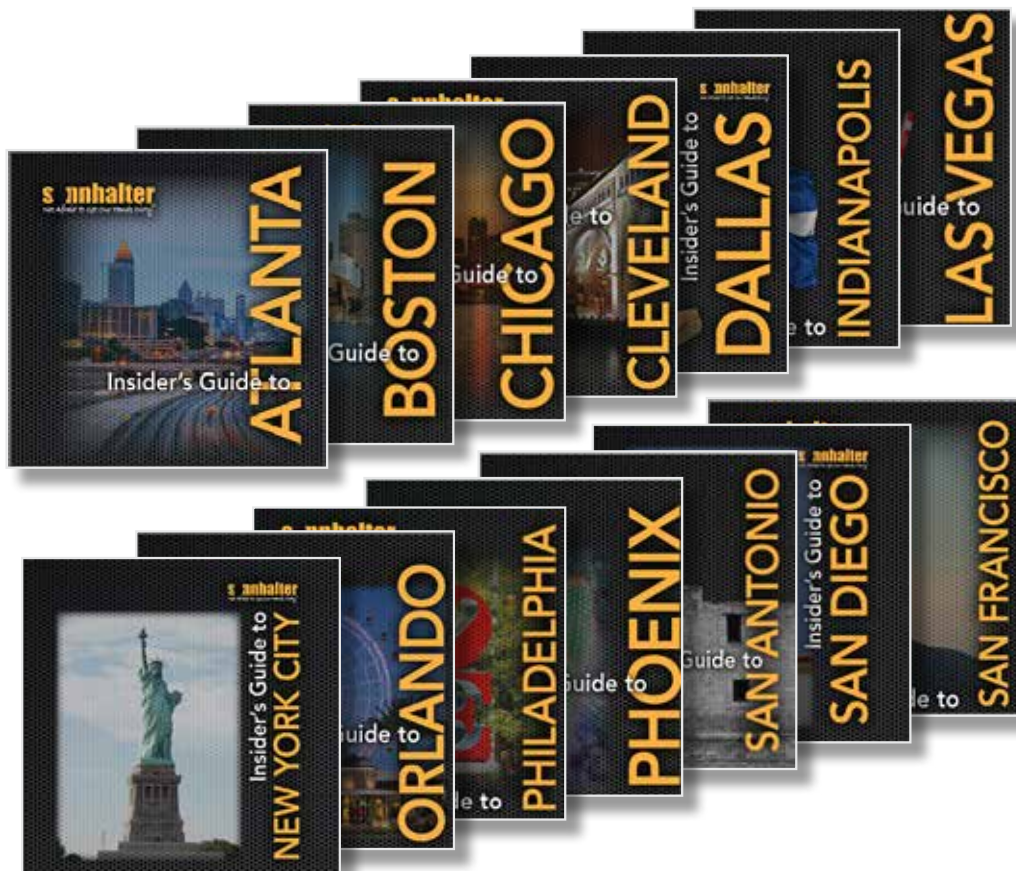
**ABC Taxi Company** – (216) 651-7777  
**Ace Taxicab** – 1-800-829-4222  
**The Yellow Cab** – (216) 623-1550  
**Lolly the Trolley** – [www.lollytrolley.com](http://www.lollytrolley.com)

## Limousine and Car Services

**Five Star Limousines** – (216) 577-4730  
**New Image Limousine Service** – (216) 313-0537

## FOR INSIDER'S GUIDES TO OTHER CITIES:

[sonnhalter.com/insiders-guides](http://sonnhalter.com/insiders-guides)



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