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BestPizza

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M A X W E L L ' S

1456 Newpark Blvd Newpark

435 647-3004

Maxwellsparkcity.com

There's nothing better than a good pizza, and Maxwell's at Newpark makes a great one. In fact it might just be the best in the West. Owner Stan Maxwell's grandmother, Rosa, ran Polura's Spaghetti House in New Jersey in the 1940's, and marinara runs in his veins. Boston native John Bistowski said that the pizza does remind him of home; "It's very, very puh-lat-a-ble."

Pizzas are hand thrown and take their names from famous films; like the Goodfellas ("leave the gun, take the cannoli"), or their best-seller, the Italian Stallion (sausage, peperoni, and chicken). You can even order a What About Bob pizza - a "build your own gluten-free" pie.

Manager John Burdick says that their pizzas are popular with visitors, and locals, when it's "dads turn to cook." While they have takeout and delivery, a cold Maxerita at the full bar, or a table on the plaza with a bubbling pizza, a cold brew, and live music, can't be beat. They also win Park City's Best place to watch the game.

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DAVANZA'S

690 Park Avenue Park City 435 649-2222 Davanzas.com
6531 N. Landmark Drive Kimball Jct 435 655-3222 Davanzaspizza.com

Davanza's makes a killer thin, homemade crust, pizza that won't break the bank. Their motto is, "Saving the world, one slice at a time." It's a chill, non-pretentious place, loud and fun! The walls are lined with tons of vintage beer cans, and they have a lot of full ones too. As one patron said, "The prices are easy to swallow." It's a great place to just get a slice of pizza.

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VINTO

900 Main Street Park City 435 615-9990 Vinto.com

The huge, wood fired oven at Vinto looks like sculpture, albeit one that makes pizza. It's a casual, bistro style place, bright and open, that serves West- Coast-style artisanal pies, with goat cheese, or arugula, leeks, or the superb house-made sausage. It's a gluten-free friendly menu, and for something different, order the piadine, an unleavened, folded wrap stuffed with savory goodies.



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Best painter 1st

BOB PEEK

Bob Peek

435 649-0158

Ripeekpainting.com

Bob Peek says, "We'll paint anything." And for the past 27 years Peek he has. He and his crews paint homes and businesses, inside and out. He deals directly with homeowners, and his decorative work is sought-after; the lacquer finishes and faux painting. Materials have changed since he started too. The new latex paints are easier on the environment, easier on the painters, and are just as durable as the old oil-based products.

But Park City is a unique place to be a painter, with a lot of challenge. Vaulted ceilings, steep roofs, cupolas, and overhangs make his 40 foot ladder useless. Sometimes they just can't reach. "We end up rigging our ropes, and lowering ourselves down to access areas," says Peek. "I dig the steep stuff." Some of the homes are tens of thousands of square feet, and that alone is a challenge.

In what spare time he has, he's either rock-eting down the mountain bike trails above town, or hiking for the steep and deep powder in the winter. And what's the secret to this California surfer's success? Peek says, "We do exactly what we promise, and we do it on time." He's not just a painter; he's an artist with paint.

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BOB THOMPSON

1162 Pinebrush Drive Park City 435 513-0170 Wepaintparkcity.com

Bob Thompson has been painting for 30 years, and in Utah for 16 of those. "I still enjoy it," he says, "It's about making the place look nicer, and meeting new people." They do every kind of painting, from new to remodels. On one hand, he says Old Town is a challenge especially with the narrow widths between the old houses, but some of the new construction has him on a 60 foot ladder. His clients are pleased, and he says, "I still get dirty every day. I love working in this town!"

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BEANTOWN PAINTING

2151 Fenchurch Drive Park City 435 640-3326

Nancy Norcross has been painting Park City's homes and businesses, one wall at a time. A Boston native (hence the name) she's also on the Park City Mountain Resort ski patrol. Her crew's most challenging job to date was painting the \$23 million St. Regis residence of John Schnatter (owner of Papa John's Pizza), and working with a number of out-of-state designers. "It had to be ready by Christmas, two years ago," says Norcross. "And it was."



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PARK
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Best Flower shop

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SILVER CRICKET

6030 Market street #127 Redstone

435 655-0300

Silvercricketfloral.com



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GALLERIA FLORAL AND DESIGN

1300 Snow Creek Dr. Park City 435 649-2600 Galleriafloralut.com

Galleria Floral & Design makes any occasion beautiful, and memorable. They provide same-day delivery flowers for birthday, anniversary, funeral, or Valentine's Day. All of their arrangements are artistically prepared, and hand-delivered. Galleria is family owned and operated, and their flowers will make you smile.

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MOUNTAIN FLORA

2519 Creek Dr. Park City 435 649-6910

Mary Hogan Holley has been a horticulturalist for the past 30 years. Not only does she provide cut flowers for all of Deer Valley (including the flowers in the bathrooms), but she'll water plants and plant planters in private homes too. "We do everything, even dead dog flowers," she says (people send flowers when a friend's dog dies in this town!). And, they'll deliver.

At Silver Cricket, Kodiak is the "head of PR," according to owner Marilyn Brumfield. He's a brown, easy-going Newfoundland; a very large, nice dog who greets every customer. Brumfield's Silver Cricket has been in business since 1998, providing flowers for weddings, bar mitzvahs, parties, and doing private decorating. "We do a lot of off-site work, decorating interiors, Christmas trees," she says, and works with a number of local interior decorators.

The five weeks from

Thanksgiving through New Years are her busiest time, making sure everyone makes it through the holidays with colorful blooms. "Our other big days are Mother's Day, and Valentine's," she adds. They provide flowers for a lot of weddings, over half of which are destination weddings.

Having lived in Scotland for over a dozen years, Brumfield has put her roots down locally, and enjoys her work and meeting new people in town. Surrounded by beautiful flowers every day isn't a bad way to live, is it?

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PARK CITY
COFFEE ROASTER

1680 W. Ute Blvd Kimball Jct & Kimball Art Center 638 Park Ave

435 647-9097

Parkcitycoffeeroaster.com



MAYOR DANA WILLIAMS
PHOTO BY PATRICK CONE

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ATTICUS COFFEE,
BOOKS & TEAHOUSE

738 Main Street Park City 435 214-7241 Atticustea.com

Atticus is probably the least touristy place in town, where friends meet for exotic tea, or browse for used books and, well, just stuff. They serve a luscious hot chocolate, and you might as well have some chocolate chip scones with it. It's indie, quaint and welcoming, and a great respite from the bustle of a ski town, and they offer free hugs all day. Plus, it just smells great.

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STARBUCKS

6400 Highway 224 Kimball Jct 435 940-1067 Starbucks.com
Starbucks 1760 Park Avenue Park City 435 649-6134

A town of active, wired, outdoor people has to have a Starbucks, in fact, have two. Here, you know what you're going to get, get it fast, and have a nice spot to visit with others, or hang out and watch the circus go by. You can use it for your office, and tell everyone you're in your cubicle. The coffee is hot, and fragrant, and works its magic.

Burlap sacks fill the back room of the roasting room at Park City Coffee Roaster; the smell is intoxicating. Park City Coffee Roaster fires up only organic, free-trade beans, from all over the world. They make sure that Park City's movers and shakers are moving and shaking.

"We have a very loyal, local clientele," says manager Elle McCarty, an Aussie transplant. "Every day, they order the same thing. The Park City Blend is a great medium roast, but the vanilla latte is our most popular specialty drink," says McCarty.

Local Dave Clark reads his book on the leather couch in

the corner, and says, "Just straight coffee for me...not all that fancy stuff." Others come to sip, surf the free wi-fi, and socialize. PC Roaster also bakes croissants, bagels, and other treats daily. They serve paninis, fresh hummus, and the wildly popular mini-quiche, plus they have a beer and wine license if caffeine isn't enough.

Besides their 2 locations, they provide beans to all of the local grocers, plus the Park City Mountain Resort. And for local color, Mayor Dana Williams runs the show at the PC Roaster inside the Kimball Art Center on Main Street, if you want to catch up on local news and controversies.

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Best fishing shop

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TROUT BUM 2

4343 North Hwy 224

435 901 0661

Troutbum2.com

Bransford Briggs ties a hackle onto a fly in the corner of this full service fishing shop. A guide on the local streams, he'll lure in a big one with his latest concoction. Behind him Trout Bum 2 is loaded with gear; they're a full-service fly fishing shop and outfitter in Utah, with one of the biggest selections of gear and flies in the state.

Got an empty fly case? You can fill it here with the dozens of different patterns clustered in their boxes: renegades, nymphs, and Mormon girls, caddis, streamers, and a royal coachman. For rods, they have Sage, Ross, and Scott poles. Their flies come from Umpqua and the Montana Fly Company. Clothing is by Sims and Patagoia, and bags from Fishpond.

But they don't just talk about fishing, they also guide people to all of the local streams: Currant Creek, the Green River, and the Provo. "Our biggest push right now is education," says manager Trevor Howard. It's important to train the next generation in the art of the cast. In business since 1999 they know their business, and have fun doing it. Howard smiles, and says, "You're a trout bum? I'm a trout bum, too."

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JANS

1600 Park Avenue Park City 435 649-4949 Jans.com

Jans has been in the fishing business for over 25 year. Their knowledge of local waters is legendary. They offer guided trips to the Middle Provo, Upper Weber, and other hot spots. Or, be exotic and join them in British Columbia, New Zealand, or Belize. Their guides are professional and patient. As for gear, they'll sell you a complete outfit, or that one small item you need to complete your gear. They have the right gear for the right time. Then, catch. Release. Repeat.

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PARK CITY FLY SHOP

2065 Sidewinder Park City 435 645-8382 Parkcityflyshop.com

The Park City Fly Shop will guide you on the Provo River...in the winter; just one of their local trips. Or head with them to the Upper Green River in Wyoming, where you can land a two foot trout. For 25 years the Kunkels have been sharing and educating fishermen. They know their stuff, and have the rods, lines, waders, and clothing if you need an outfit.



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PARK
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WINDY RIDGE

1750 Ironhorse Drive Park City

435 647-2906

Billwhiterestaurantgroup.com

Windy Ridge Bakery provides all of the cakes, cookies, pastries, and soups to the 7 restaurants in the Bill White restaurant group, and, luckily, for us too. Behind the Windy Ridge Cafe, in a nondescript block building, it's anything but plain when you walk in. Bakers scurry around the large work space: one is proofing croissants, the other icing a cake on a turntable. Cheesecakes are baking in a water bath in the bank of ovens, and huge sheets of focaccia are stacked like cordwood.

And the glass case is full of the most wondrous treats: quiches, soups, calzones and dips, Linzer cookies, peanut butter creams, stacchos (think star shaped Oreos) and gluten-free, macaroon pyramids. There are fruit custard tarts, brownies, and the massive apple pies can only be described as volcanic. Croissants and bread beckon with their rich fragrance.

Executive baker Stephanie Krizman orchestrates this crew, and loves it, as they fill orders and make sure the restaurants have what they need. "But I just love the coffee shop and cafe vibe," she says, during a brief break from the frenzy. "There are so many nuances, and things change every day," she adds. "We don't cut corners, and it pays off."

2nd

KNEADERS

1476 Newpark Blvd #110 Newpark 435 776-3010 Kneadersbakery.com

Kneaders at Newpark lures you in with their smells and free samples, then you're hooked. Add the weekend brunch, and the bottomless, chunky, cinnamon toast, and you are toast. Open for over a year now, this franchise (there are 24 now in Utah and Arizona) knows what people want: pastries, great bread, and a good turkey/avocado sandwich. Every Thursday evening there's live music on the outdoor Mountain Town stage, so sit on the grass and enjoy.

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DEER VALLEY
SNOW PARK BAKERY

2250 Deer Valley Drive South Deer Valley 435 645-6623 Deervalley.com

Executive Chef Letty Flatt has been baking at Deer Valley since 1983, just 2 years after Deer Valley opened, and how the business has grown. On any ski day her 30 bakers put out over 200 loaves of bread in 10 flavors, cookies, pastries, and tarts, to supply 3 lodges and the Grocery Cafe, and, with all of the challenges of baking at high altitude. Flatt's high altitude cookbook, *Chocolate Snowball*, is perfect for those baking up in the mountains. It's in its 2nd edition, and now available in paperback. And it works.



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GRAPPA

151 Main Street Park City

435 645-0636

Billwhiterestaurantgroup.com

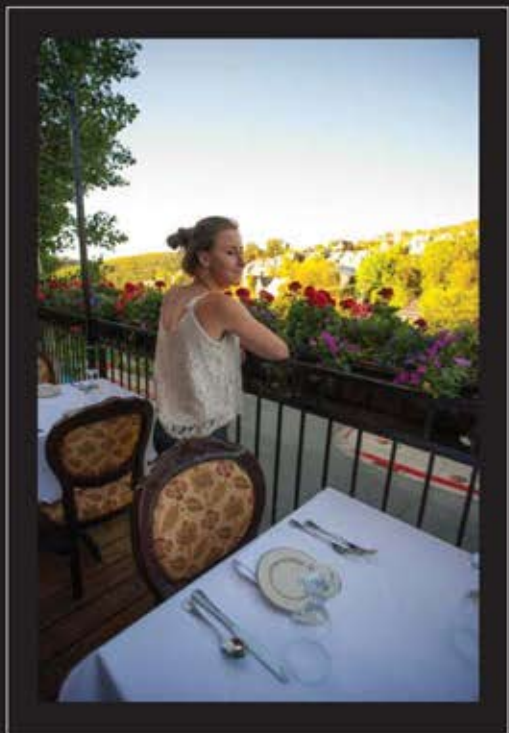


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GHIDOTTIS CLASSIC ITALIAN RESTAURANT

6030 Market St #100 Redstone Village 435 658-0669

Billwhiterestaurantgroup.com/ghidotti-s-classic-italian-restaurant

Ghidotti's is what you think of when you think of an Italian restaurant: old world ambience coupled with a Mediterranean feel, and excellent, authentic cuisine. There are no red checkered tablecloths here. Of course there's lasagna, spaghetti with meatballs, but also a number of gluten-free dishes. There're steaks, fish, scallops, and chicken dishes, as well as the famous grape and gorgonzola salad found at another Bill White spot: Grappa. More informally, you can watch the game in their lounge while you dine.

3rd

VINTO

900 Main Street 435 Park City 615-9990 Vinto.com

Vinto (also in the Park City Best pizza category) offers a number of authentic, Italian entrees and treats. Start with the shaved fennel salad, with arugula, and for an entree try one of their piadines: unleavened bread, wrapped around a number of savory fillings. Or the Finish with their house made gelato or the apple crostata. It's casual and affordable, bright and airy, with wonderful outdoor dining at the bottom of Main Street.

The old hotel at the top of Main Street has stories to tell. In the 70's it was a "hippie, hobo pit" as one resident recalls (the author). Later the Hula Bowl, downstairs, was the go to watering hole for locals. But, in 1993 Bill White opened the first of his 8 restaurants: Grappa, Park City's signature Italian restaurant.

"There are many reasons people come here," says manager Tommy DeAngelo, "but it's basically these three reasons: great food, wonder ambience, and impeccable service." The osso bucco, one of their signature dishes, is perfect. Order the grape salad

with gorgonzola as a starter, and it's presented as a bushel of grapes. And add their wild mushroom soup, with its rich truffle fragrance, and you'll want to order more.

But don't, there's plenty on the menu. All of the pasta is house made (the pasta verde has the bite that only arugula can give), and pretend you can hear the surf hitting the rocks at 7000 feet, as you savor their cioppino. Three floors of intimate dining encircling the lovely atrium, but on those lovely summer evenings dine outside under the stars and their verdant gardens. Unlike the full moon above, Grappa has a magical atmosphere.

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Best Bar

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NO NAME SALOON

447 Main Street Park City

435 649-6667

Nonamesaloon.net

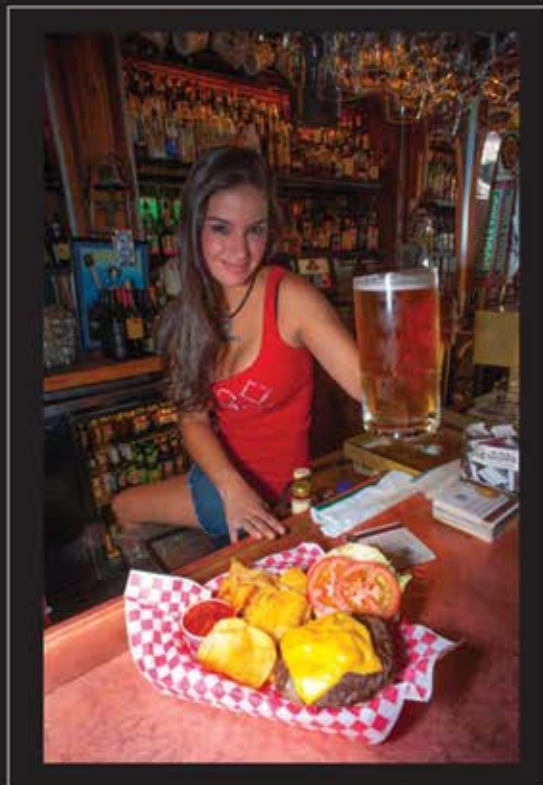


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THE SPUR BAR AND GRILL

352 Main Street Park City 435 615-1618 Thespurbarandgrill.com

The Spur is the place for live music on Main Street, most every night. Just head down a slightly hidden corridor, and follow the signs. Inside there's a big fireplace, cozy leather chairs, and old west decor in wood and copper. The burgers will keep your energy topped off, and a full bar will get you out on the dance floor. It's loud, crowded, and a lot of fun.

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HIGH WEST DISTILLERY AND SALOON

703 Park Avenue Park City 435 649-8300 Highwest.com

The High West Saloon is a far cry from the tent and plank bar of the old west, but the gorgeous, 250 gallon copper still, a renovated historic livery stable, and plenty of tasty product, makes this a must-see while in Park City. Try their oat whiskey, peach vodka, or a 21-year-old Rocky Mountain rye. Or take a distillery tour and enjoy their sampler. They were also voted Park City's Best cocktail! It'll change your attitude at altitude.

This bar's motto is, "Helping people forget their names since 1903!" They're not kidding, cuz this is the real deal: a bustling, rocking meeting place for locals (and tourists) running from the glitz of Main Street. Inside it's old and weatherbeaten, and that's just the local clientele! Flowers grow from old toilets, a motorcycle hangs from the ceiling, and giant beer mugs are the size of other bar's pitchers.

It's how the locals roll. They brag about absolutely nothing, while pouring down the PBR, eating the homemade chips, and powering down the buffa-

lo burgers (voted Park City's Best), while bartender Nicole Ruesch (also voted Park City's Best bartender!) keeps the party and the drinks flowing. Though the soup of the day is beer, the well-stocked bar means a shot, as well, or anything else you can want.

The heated roof deck has a million-dollar view, plus flat screens for the game, and the giant fireplace and the crowd roars downstairs, where it's silly packed: if you don't know everyone already, you soon will. No live music, but the classic rocks just keep on coming.

Don't be scared, come on in, it's a blast.