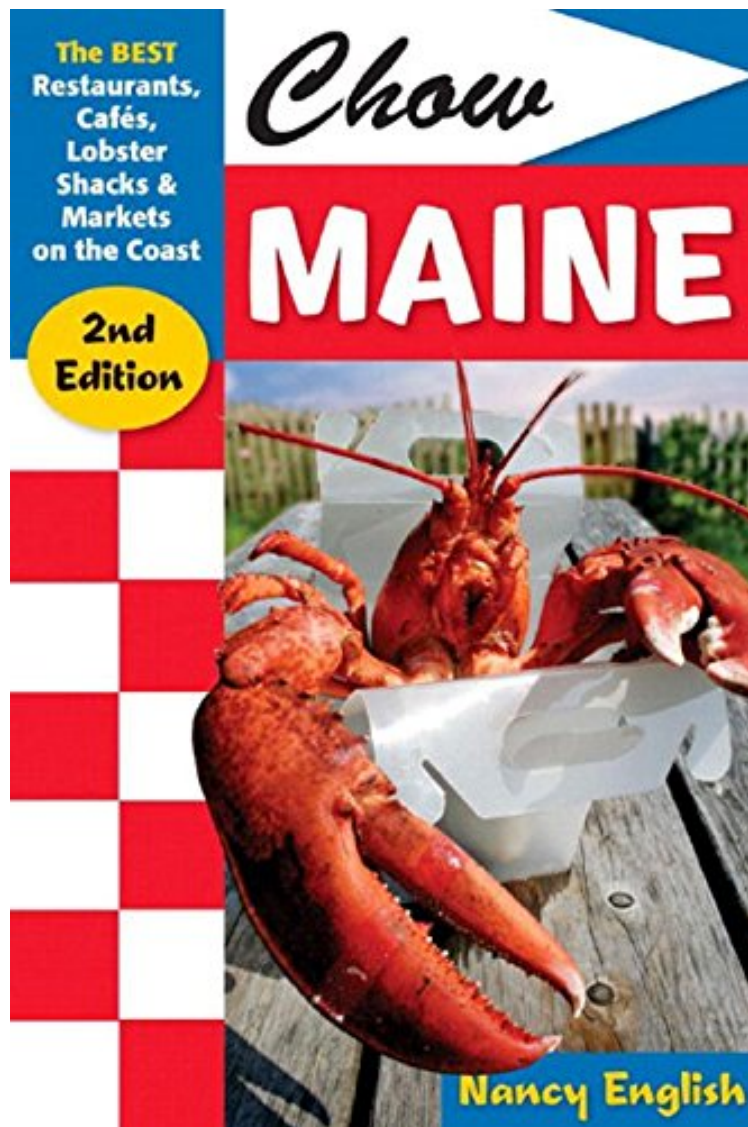


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Maine: The Best Restaurants, Cafes, Lobster Shacks):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Coverage limited to the coast only; usually no comment on how the food tastes.
By Renaissance Consumer
The subtitle does say "on the Coast," so it's not misleading per se, but you won't see Augusta, Bangor, Auburn. The information contains quite a bit of what is on the menu and the cost, and notes decor and staff, but has very little about how the food tastes. It's almost as if many times the writer sent someone in to look at the place, get a menu, and talk to some people without ever having eaten there. The book is very good for narrowing your choices in places to eat, but usually doesn't give subjective information that I would expect from a professional food reviewer.
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Well-worth the price, makes a great gift, and it's fun!
By Elyse C. Tipton
Mon chere Herve-Guillaume, you have completely missed the point of this guide, which I love and have given as a very-much-appreciated gift to family and friends who troll Maine for good eats. The book isn't intended as one of those starred-ratings directives that pits local restaurants, food shops, and fish shacks against one another. It's a fun, well-written guide to some of the best yummy stuff you can find when meandering along the Maine coast. In my humble opinion, vacation-style coastal exploration is best when you relax, discover, and make great experiences out of what you find--and don't abuse a lovely road trip pursuing a strident quest for bragging rights among best-restaurant connoisseurs. This great little book will help anyone have fun and taste delicious local food on the Maine coast. It's well-worth its price.
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The real deal.
By Tsunami Jane
Nancy English has been a Maine restaurant reviewer for years and years, and *Chow Maine* is the real deal. I know, because I live in Portland, Maine, and I have eaten in many of the establishments she describes in the Portland segment of the book. She has selected the eateries I would send my own out-of-town friends to, and she does it with an honest, down-to-earth style that makes *Chow Maine* a pleasure to read. Make sure you check out the "Introduction," in which she offers a lesson in lobster rolls elucidating even to this Mainer, and tells you where to find the best in Maine. She also suggests farms and farmer's markets that will enrich your visit to "Vacationland," and her photos are nice, too.

This essential guide to eating along the Maine coast has dozens of new entries and updates in this new second edition. Ranging from Kittery Point to the Canadian border, this savvy guide to finding diverse dining options in coastal Maine covers everything from high-end restaurants to diner cars and clam shacks. The author also reveals the many interesting and delicious food sources that the rocky coast has to offer, from lobster pounds to bakeries to candy stores and farmer's markets, and more. Find out where to pick your own strawberries, apples, and cranberries. Discover the freshest and most cost-saving fish markets.

About the Author
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