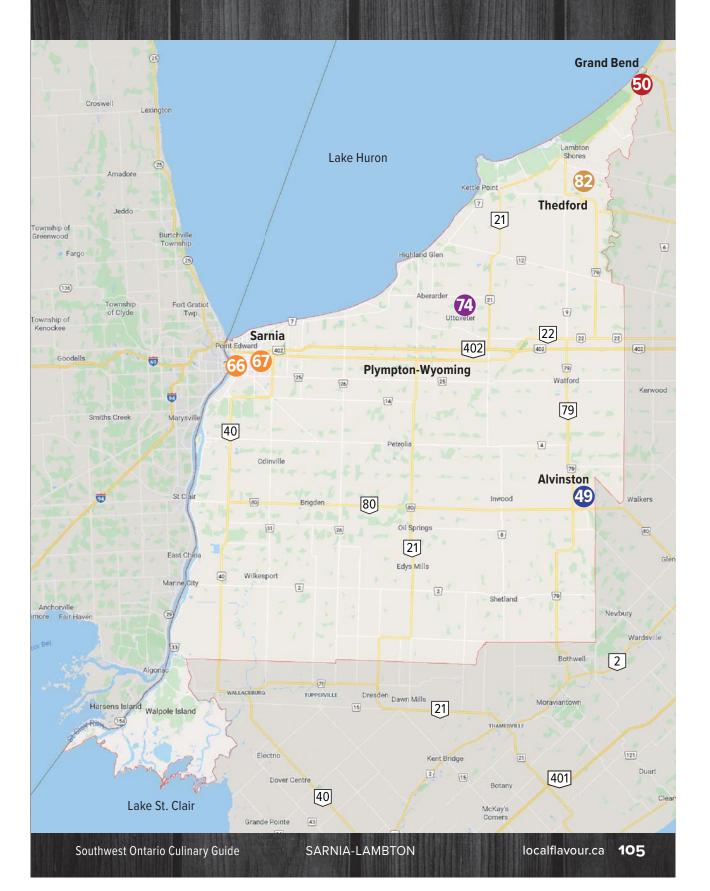
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Sarnia-Lambton's **Cheers to the Coast Trail** is expanding and we are so happy to help welcome the four new breweries opening across Sarnia-Lambton. Experience new and adventurous flavours, share some of your favourites and sample award winning wine, craft beer, hard cider and mead, while visiting some of the most scenic and historic locations in the beautiful county.

### New To The Area:

Black Gold Brewery – Petrolia (coming soon) Imperial City Brew House – Sarnia (coming soon) River Run Brew Co. – Sarnia Big Family Brewing Co. – Sarnia

### We Know You'll Like:

Refined Fool Brewing Co. – Sarnia Alton Farms Estate Winery – Plympton-Wyoming Munro Meadery – Alvinston Widder Station Brewing Co. – Thedford Twin Pines Orchard & Cider House – Thedford Dark Horse Estates Winery – Grand Bend Stone Pickers Brewing – Plympton-Wyoming



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Accommodations should be more than just a place to lay your head. Sarnia-Lambton offers a selection of unique settings, whether you are enjoying a Lake Huron cottage, boutique-style hotel, Victorian bed and breakfast or a state-of-the-art chain hotel. With so many options to fit your budget, you can guarantee a comfortable and memorable stay.

### New To The Area:

Insignia Hotel – Sarnia Holiday Inn Express – Point Edward Sunbridge Inn & Conference Centre – Point Edward

### We Know You'll Like:

Pine Dale Motor Inn – Grand Bend Oakwood Resort – Grand Bend Comfort Inn – Sarnia Hampton Inn – Point Edward



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### Honey from Hive to Table



### MUNRO HONEY & MEADERY

The Bryans family invites you to visit Ontario's sweetest secret. Munro Honey & Meadery is literally buzzing with activity, and is one of the largest producers and packers of pure Canadian honey and hive products in the province. A fascinating video showcasing honey production — from hive to table — complements an active observation hive to watch and learn about the magic of the honeybee. You're



guaranteed to get a sweetened appreciation of bees and honey.

### **The Scene**

Back in 1914, Warren Munro captured his first swarm of bees. His business thrived, and in 1958 young beekeeper Howard Bryans purchased the



company from Munro. Howard's sons, Davis and John, took over the operation in 1989. Today, a modern 12,000-squarefoot **Honey House** utilizes the latest in modern honey production equipment. The **gift shop** offers a wide variety of premium Munro

Honey food products (liquid and creamed honey) in a variety of sizes and containers, hive products like beeswax candles, and an assortment of practical and whimsical bee-themed giftware.

### A Land of Mead & Honey

For centuries, honey has been used to produce **Mead**, also known as Honey Wine. Munro Honey launched Ontario's first meadery in 1999, and has developed a unique selection of **premium meads** — winning international awards for quality and taste. Sample a variety of traditional meads as well as **melomel** (fruit blend) flavours, such as raspberry and black currant.

Be sure to also try the **gourmet honeys** (cinnamon, apple- cinnamon, chocolate and jalapeño), **honey butters** and **single-source nectars** (like blueberry blossom). Delicious!



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# Mighty F.I.N.E. for 15 Years!

## F.I.N.E. A RESTAURANT



**Owner/Chef Erryn Shephard**, shows no sign of slowing down or of losing her love of French cuisine. Her brilliant touch, alongside Chef Ben Sandwith over the past 15 years, has made F.I.N.E. a beloved Southwest Ontario destination for those looking for a special experience. An active volunteer and fundraiser for numerous charities, Chef Shephard's generous spirit is also evident in the kitchen. While she loves

workng with rich ingredients in classically-inspired dishes, she has respect for customers who prefer lighter or vegetarian fare.

### The Scene

The restaurant is divided into two sections, each for about 40 people. A seasonal patio seats 24 and there's a private room upstairs for 12. Think elegant cabin with stunning artwork and funky seasonal decorations. Front-ofhouse is managed by the invaluable Susan Tebrugge.

### Menu Highlights

Daily soups may include the popular Coconut Curry Sweet Potato or Cream of Celery Root soups. While the Certified Angus Beef Tenderloin is a perennial mainstay on the menu, chefs Shephard and Sandwith also give a nod to fish as a customer choice. While the Pan-Fried Pickerel from nearby Lake Huron is outstanding, so is the fresh Pan-Seared BC Halibut, served with lemon cream, spring peas, homemade gnocchi, and a light salad. Daily



Specials are inspired by seasonal availability of the best ingredients.

Your F.I.N.E. visit simply must include dessert. Shephard's cheesecakes are deep and creamy, and she's playful with surprising twists and sweet sauces, cookies and candies.

### **Grand Bend**

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# THE TIN FIDDLER & RIVER RUN BREW CO.

Downtown Sarnia's new brew pub restaurant includes an in-house brewery with authentic historic charm. Extensive renovations in a neglected 12,000-square-foot building (circa 1890–1910) revealed long-hidden architectural features such as 16-foot plaster ceilings, block brick walls and a beautiful terrazzo floor.

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#### **The Scene**

Mark Woolsey and Mia Clarke are partners in the new Tin Fiddler Brew Pub. The beautifully renovated old building enhances a communal, yet intimate, dining experience. The basement houses an innovative craft brewery, **River** 



Run Brew Co., owned by John Tidball and Woolsey. The beer is exclusively available upstairs in the brewpub. The industrial decor features largescale murals and canvases, a copper-top bar, tufted bench upholstery, Edison bulb lighting and plenty of corrugated steel. Recent expansion increased seating capacity and created space for private parties and a stage for bands. Historic artifacts from the building are incorporated

throughout. An antique safe serves as a reception desk, draft taps are installed in a vintage pump organ, and an iconic dual-sided clock hangs in a prominent spot. A nicely appointed outdoor courtyard is used seasonally as a music venue.

#### **Menu Highlights**

Two Head Chefs — one in charge of preparation, the other in charge of daily operations — share responsibilies for a menu that offers an interesting selection of sophisticated pub food. The focus is on shareable items such as **gnocchi-poutine**, traditional **fish and chips**, and **onion rings** battered with puffed quinoa. Try the **Lamb Tacos** or the Asian-spiced **Crispy Chicken Sandwich**. A regular rotation of daily features includes seasonal soups and a pasta feature. With perfect beer pairings available, menu recommendations also include:

- Spicy Pulled Jackfruit Tacos with chipotle marinated jackfruit, tangy slaw, bell peppers, vegan pumpkin seed sour cream;
- Sriracha Tempura Bites with crispy cauliflower & sweet potatoes, Asian-style BBQ sauce, scallions & sesame seeds:
- Chorizo and Sweet Potato Flatbread with pickled onions, pumpkin seeds & goat cheese.



### Sarnia

### Brew Pub & Craft Brewery

146 Christina Street N. (at Cromwell)

MAP G p105: 66 519-491-7844

HOURS: SUN-WED 11 AM-10PM THURS 11 AM-11 PM FRI & SAT 11 AM-MIDNIGHT Hours may vary or be extended.

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### **IMPERIAL CITY BREW HOUSE**

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Mike Barker, Kyle Blandford, Craig Brodie and Matt Whitney — Sarnia friends who spent years home-brewing together and sharing samples with friends and family — have finally answered the question about why they don't do something more with their excellent beers. Cheers!



### **The Scene**

Great beer and comeraderie brought them together, and both remain key for the foursome behind **Imperial City Brew House**. The open concept was



The open concept was carefully planned and is fully in keeping with the owners' philosophy. "Our primary focus is to be a community meeting space," explained Matt Whitney, in conversation with Louis Pin of *The Sarnia Observer*. "We want people to be able to walk up to the tanks, touch

them if they want." The result of an extensive renovation process — only half-jokingly referred to as **"Blood, sweat and beers!"** — is a generously

spacious taproom. An open-concept upper level on top of the 1000-square-foot cooler is planned, for overflow and a private event space, and will bring total capacity to 220 people. The industrial vibe is enhanced by a full view of the arrays of gleaming tanks and the brewing process.

### **Beer Highlights**

Imperial City Brew House will pay homage to Sarnia with the names of its beers once they are fully established. Launching in January 2020, the initial flagship beers will include: Canadian Pale Ale, Cream Ale, Bohemian Pilsner, Hazy NEIPA, English



Brown, Blonde Ale, Light Lager, and an Irish Stout on nitro. Seasonals and rotating taps will fulfill the brewers' desire to also craft a wide variety



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of fun, niche products. As they explain on every can, Imperial City is "Four friends who let passion pave the way to bring you the very best selection of deliciousness." We'll drink to that!

#### LOCAL CRAFT BEER

### Sarnia

### Craft Brewery & Taproom

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# Old Fashioned Flavours & Fun

# TWIN PINES ORCHARDS & CIDER HOUSE

There is more than award-winning cider on the 50-year-old Vansteenkiste family farm. The beautiful timberframe Cider House is the heart of the operation, showcasing handmade country crafts and gift items and the bounty of a busy kitchen: jams, jellies, chutneys, sauces, pastries and baked goods, including the signature Northern Spy Apple Pie.



Award-Winning Hard Ciders

### **The Scene**

Embrace the best of each season as you explore the trails and gardens of **Twin Pines Orchards & Cider** 

House, a 50-acre property located in Lambton Shores. Forest trails reveal a unique division point between the Great Lakes and the Carolinian forest regions, with wild berries and trees from both, such as Shag Bark Hickory, Tulip Trees, Butternut, Black Walnut and several Oaks. Situated on a sandy loam beach ridge with naturally occurring aquifers, the land is ideal for growing fruit. Approximately 40 acres are planted in orchard,

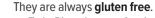


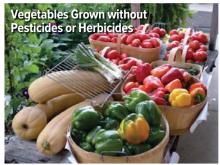
producing over **one million pounds of apples**, including 25 commercial varieties and about 15 heritage apples, as well as specialty cider varieties.

### Award-Winning Ciders, Wine and More!

Twin Pines is designated an **Integrated Pest Management** (IPM) orchard, meaning staff are certified and trained to determine when (if at all) to protect the apples with a spray, greatly reducing the use of pesticides. An additional 10 acres are solely dedicated to **fruits and vegetables**, wholly grown with **no pesticides or herbicides**, available for purchase by visitors in season, to use in their own home kitchens. These are used in the **Cider House Kitchen** as well, located in the handsomely-appointed timbered structure. Grab a delicious lunch or handcrafted preserves or baked goods. The spacious Cider House also showcases beautiful handmade **country crafts, home decor**, and inspiring **gift items**.

Upstairs in the Cider House loft, you can sample and purchase awardwinning sparkling **Traditional British Hard Cider** and **apple wines** in the tasting area at the bar, or relax at communal harvest tables. Twin Pines' range of **Hammer Bent** label ciders (and an outstanding **perry**!) are made from original recipes that bring to life the old-fashioned flavours of British Cider.





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Twin Pines is open for three seasons, and you will likely find a Vansteenkiste family member behind the counter, bagging apples, lifting pumpkins, making doughnuts, directing parking and chatting in the tasting room. They invite you to see for yourself what their farm is all about!

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### Apple Orchard, Cider House & Estate Winery

8169 Kennedy Line (East of Hwy 79)

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# **Pioneers** of Huron Shores!

### ALTON FARMS ESTATE WINERY

Family-owned and operated by husband and wife team Marc Alton and Anne Kurtz-Alton, Alton Farms Estate Winery recently celebrated its sixth anniversary. Literally pioneers in Ontario's newest emerging wine region of Huron Shores, Marc and Anne have handcrafted excellent wines with taste and quality their primary focus. Most have received the coveted VQA Ontario status.



#### The Scene

There is a strong commitment to using sustainable farm practices on the 90-acre property, with six acres of producing vines. This includes extensive composting and a herd of Shetland

sheep and lambs who eat the ground cover between the rows of vines and fertilize the soil. The winery utilizes a century-old wooden drive shed, and the welcoming and warm tasting room and a retail store are located downstairs in the family home. A summer patio features a wood-fired pizza oven, and the grounds are home to a number of special events, including a harvest time Grape Stomp!

### Highlights

A former engineer, Marc is a self-taught winemaker and grape grower who is learning, adapting, and challenging

Sustainable Farm Practice

traditional winemaking practices. He

is willing to experiment and every year he handcrafts 13–17 exceptional wines, ranging from traditional Chardonnay and Bordeaux blends, to unique blends

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Follow the winery on social media to keep up with events held throughout the year to sample the wines, including Wine Tastings & Pairings, fundraisers Grape Stomp (a family-friendly competition) and Weinfest (a family-friendly German tradition celebrating the new wines



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in production), and Wine Wednesday Dinners featuring some of the region's top chefs.

Alton Farms Estate wines are available in the tasting room, at many restaurants, select LCBOs and at farmers' markets in Bayfield and Sarnia.

### **Plympton-Wyoming**

#### Winery

5547 Aberarder Line (Hwy 11, just west of Hwy 21)

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