

Black Rock's Best places to eat, drink and be merry – and in addition, a few nearby must-dos. The selection of eateries and bars are all within walking distance from, not only the marinas and yacht clubs, but from each other as well. Don't be surprised if you find yourself enjoying a pre-dinner cocktail at one spot, your meal at another and after dinner entertainment yet somewhere else. The "other stuff" is a short car ride away in downtown Bridgeport.

Dining and Drinking

Matty's Corner

2816 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 333-3311

A great little local bar & eatery. Known for its friendly atmosphere, the grill is always on and the beer selection is unparalleled. Black Rock General Store, just a few steps away for your newspaper & a fresh gallon of milk.

Black Rock Oyster Bar & Grill

348 Black Rock Tpk
Ffld, CT 06430

(203) 576-6657

Serving lunch (except Sundays) & dinner. Reservations are recommended. There is a great bar, waiting should be easy to handle. You must try the oysters – duh.

The Bitter End

2770 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 335-2395

Yes, this restaurant/bar has a very nautical theme. Burgees to sails, models to charts, all the décor in this very popular local sailors' spot will make you feel right at home. Live music & great lunch specials make it a must.

The Field

3001 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 333-0043

A favorite watering family spot among Black Rockers, serving generous portions of "American cuisine with a European flair," & there's a well-stocked wine cellar - Arguably one of Black Rock's most popular places to gather.

Black Rock Castle

2895 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 336-3990

One of the many great things about The Castle is its atmosphere. Carefully built as a replica of the famed Black Rock Castle,

situated on the River Less, in Cork, Ireland. Three levels of dining rooms, meals can be intimate & cozy. So if you're in the mood for a few drinks (they have a wonderful whiskey selection), a great atmosphere, & an excellent selection of food - this is the place.

Viale Ristorante & Grille

3171 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
203-610-6193

With authentic Italian food, a nice wine selection and an outdoor patio, Viale has spurred a trend with restaurants in the Black Rock area. The recently built restaurant is at the gateway to historic Black Rock & has a wonderful bar & comfortable seating. The food, wait staff & ownership will not disappoint.

Café Tavolini

3074 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 335-1111

The newest addition to the Ave. offering a menu full of original dishes. Sit back at the bar or a table with a glass of wine & enjoy the ball game or a classic film on one of their many plasma TVs. Enjoy people watching while sitting outside on one of the comfortable patio chairs.

Timothy's Ice Cream

2974 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 366-7496

In the all-natural homemade ice cream business for over 20 years, Timothy's trademark is the "mix-in" – where delicious toppings are blended right into the ice cream making a smooth & refreshing treat. A must have on a warm summertime evening.

Beverly Pizza

2969 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 335-5240

In business for 40 years, tasty pies, grinders, calzones & salads. Eat-in or take-out. This is the quintessential Greek pie & you won't be disappointed.

Marty's Pizza & More

2804 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(202) 331-1100

Open til midnight on weekends, its a great place to stop in for a late night slice. Amazing specialty pies that are not to be missed. Have a pie delivered right to the dock, give Marty a call & tell him *WindCheck* sent you.

Harborview Market

218 Harborview Ave.

Bpt, CT 06605

203-367-7336

If you want to get to know Black Rock, spend a little time at Harborview. True to its name, Harborview Market stocks all of the necessary items that any transient boater might need, but it is much more. The aroma of delicious coffee & freshly baked croissants & pastries fills the air. Open for breakfast & lunch, Harborview is the best spot to sit down on a weekend morning & take it all in.

Taco Loco

3170 Ffld Ave. Bpt CT 06605
(203) 335-8228

More than just tacos, burritos & nachos. Entrees including authentic Mexican steak, chicken & seafood dishes. Also famous for making the best margaritas, according to the Ffld County Weekly Magazine. Year-round patio dining & strolling guitarists, Taco Loco is one festive place to eat.

Black Rock Tavern

2926 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 336-9255

If a delicious bar menu & a lively crowd is what you want, the Black Rock Tavern is the joint for you. A favorite spot among the mid-twenties to mid-thirties crowd, there is always a great song on the jukebox & an interesting conversation to join into. The buffalo chicken wrap is awesome.

Acoustic Café

2926 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 335-3655

Black Rock's home of eclectic music- local talent to national acts like Lucy Kaplansky, Eric Anderson, Aztec Two-Step, The Nields, Jane Siberry & Sue Foley. Weekly open mic. nights on Tuesday at 8, & the last Thursday of each month there's a Bluegrass open jam at 8. Featuring salads, wraps, specialty teas & desserts, & a great selection of beers. Look for the green awning.

Frankie's Sports Bar & Lounge

2716 Ffld Ave Bpt, CT 06605
(203) 331-9669

A family owned & operated place, Frankie's makes you feel

like you are sitting in your own living room enjoying the game with friends. No bar-room banter between rival teams here; you'll find a group of friendly sports fans enjoying the atmosphere. An outdoor patio & open front, its a cool & relaxing place to hang.

Green Room

3442 Ffld Ave. Bpt, CT
(2030) 384-2233

www.thegreenroomlounge.com

An inviting music & bar venue with big, comfortable couches, Just the place to go if you want a guaranteed fun night of music without the "roar of the crowd."

Ash Creek Saloon

93 Post Rd Ffld, CT
(203) 225-5131

The Ash Creek Saloon is constantly rated among the best Barbeque spots in the northeast. Décor right out of Hollywood westerns, including still shots of some of the best to hit the silver screen, you'll feel quite comfortable ordering a full rack and a Lone Star beer. During the summer months outdoor dining on the large side deck.

The Avenue Café

3445 Ffld Ave. Black Rock, CT
(203) 333-7848

www.theavenue.cafe.com

This live music venue serves all the finger foods & sandwiches one needs to get through the night. Check their website for upcoming show dates & pictures of past bands performances.

Captain's Cove Seaport

1 Bostwick Ave. Bpt, CT
(203) 335-7104

Live music is king at the Cove in the summer. Upstairs at the Club Titanic, regional favorites; the Penfield Reefers or the Tony Ferrigno Band on Saturday afternoons. Evening entertainment includes "Singing & Swinging with Steve D'Agostino," featuring the best of Sinatra. Sunday afternoons it's "Bands on the Boardwalk" and the "Shark Pir" grill serves sausage & pepper & Philly cheese steaks from noon to 7 pm.

Other Stuff

The Bridgeport Bluefish

500 Main St. Bpt, CT 06604

(203) 345-4800

Bpt's very own AA professional baseball team resides the ballpark at Harbor Yard. Boaters are lucky to have frequent fireworks displays on game nights & with 18 home games in July, the chances are good that you will catch one! Visit bptbluefish.com for a full schedule & ticket prices.

Arena at Harbor Yard

Foot of Exit 27 Bpt, CT 06604
(203) 345-2300

Harbor Yard is Ffld County's premier sporting & entertainment venue, & home to the Bpt Sound Tigers AHL hockey team. The Pop Tarts American Idols Live Tour will visit Harbor Yard on July 25th & September 23rd. Go to arenaatharboryard.com for more up-coming events.

Downtown Cabaret Theatre

263 Golden Hill St.
Bpt, CT 06604

203-576-1636

See Bob Fosse's musical Sweet Charity playing Fridays at 8pm, Saturdays at 5:30 & 8:30pm & Sundays at 5:30pm. There is also a Children's Company! Go to dtcab.com for information on box office hours, seating & rates.

The Barnum Museum

820 Main St. Bpt, CT 06604
(203) 331-1104

Bpt's most famous resident, P.T. Barnum has a museum right in the middle of downtown. Memorabilia from the days of Barnum's circus, the early years of Bpt as an industrial epicenter, & the ever popular spencer exhibits like the Feejee Mermaid & 2,500 year-old Egyptian mummy makes this a fun & interesting place to see. Visit barnum-museum.org for information on hours, admission & special exhibits.

To Get There

Ffld Cab Co.

20 Carter Henry Dr.
Ffld, CT 06430

(203) 255-5797

If walking isn't your thing, or you plan to head to one of the "downtown" Bridgeport attractions, call a cab. Your best bet is Fairfield Taxi, located at the Fairfield train station.