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Dining Fun in Oxford, Maryland

It looks like they're having great eats in Oxford these days:

Oxford, MD – Nestled on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, the Town of Oxford may be diminutive (its population numbers less than 1,000), but its charm, big heart, and character are anything but. Add to the list a small but select group of dining venues – called “fantastic” by *Yachting* magazine in 2011 when naming Oxford as the World’s Best Yachting Town – and it all adds up to a dream destination. Here’s a culinary tour of this delightful waterside town.

Beginning at the foot of North Morris Street, the town’s main drag, just across the street from the Oxford-Bellevue Ferry dock, the historic Robert Morris Inn offers not just one but three dining venues. Overseen by renowned chef-owner Mark Salter (with long-time manager of the Inn at Perry Cabin, Ian Fleming), the cuisine was deemed “inspirational” by *The Baltimore Sun* for “helping native flavors speak for themselves.” Salter’s Tap Room & Tavern is a lovely setting for casual, atmospheric all-day dining. When the weather is fine, the Tap Room provides table service on the patio as well. A few items from a recent menu: Smoked Eastern Shore Bluefish Pate with Lemon and Croustades; Robert Morris Inn Barbecued Pork Sandwich with Cucumber and Red Onion Pickle and Old Bay Chips; and White Chocolate and Oreo Cheesecake with Chantilly and Mixed Berry Sauce. The Dining Room and Tred Avon Private Dining Room, housed in the original 1710 public rooms, offer Mark’s signature dishes and an array of vintages young and old for dinner. Both menus are refreshed regularly to take advantage of Maryland’s bounteous offerings from farm, field, and water. Open year-round

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