

Restaurant Activity Report—Lead Report

Current Real Estate Transactions, Leases Signed, Ownership Changes, and Business Brokerage Activity.



For restaurant contact information, please call Restaurant Activity Report at (320) 300-4488.

Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant

1131 Parkside Main St
Cary, NC 27519
www.chwinery.com

Tim McEnery
Founder/CEO
Est. Opening Date: 11/9/2026
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant is preparing to open an approximately 11,100 sqft location at 1131 Parkside Main St. in Parkside Town Commons in Cary, North Carolina. Scheduled to open November 9, 2026, the restaurant will feature a full-service dining room, bar, Napa-style tasting room, retail wine shop, and private-event space. The menu will offer contemporary American dishes designed to pair with the company's wines, including appetizers, salads, flatbreads, pasta, seafood, steaks, and sandwiches. Weekend brunch and weekday happy hour are also planned. Hiring is underway for management, kitchen, dining-room, and tasting-room positions.

Radish Kitchen

2820 Selwyn Ave
Charlotte, NC 28209
www.radishkitchen.com

Luke Smiley
CEO & Co-Founder
Est. Opening Date: 1/1/2027
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Chicken

Summary: Radish Kitchen will open its first location outside Tennessee in early 2027 at Tranquil Court, 2820 Selwyn Ave, Charlotte, North Carolina 28209. Chef and cookbook author Amanda Frederickson is developing the 3,691 sqft fast-casual restaurant, which will serve customizable salads, grain bowls, and wraps with grilled chicken, crispy baked chicken, salmon, steak, and falafel.

The Ambassador Steakhouse

175 King St
Brevard, NC 28712

Gabriel Attala
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 10/15/2026
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$50 and up
Menu Type: Steak/Seafood

Summary: The Ambassador Steakhouse will open on October 15, 2026, in the former Vescovo space at 175 King St, Brevard, North Carolina 28712.

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Abbey Road Tavern & Grill

1101 Market Center Dr.
Morrisville, NC 27560
www.abbeyroadnc.com

Mike Montgomery
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 12/1/2026
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Mike Montgomery is preparing to open a third Abbey Road Tavern & Grill at 1101 Market Center Dr. in Morrisville, North Carolina. The restaurant will occupy the former Ruckus Pizza, Pasta & Spirits space at Park West Village. The rock-and-roll-themed neighborhood bar and grill is known for burgers, wings, sandwiches, daily food and drink specials, live entertainment, and sports viewing. An opening date has not been announced.

Cup of Joe

3625 Hillsborough Street
Raleigh, NC 27607
www.cupajoe.com

Jeff Gold
President
Est. Opening Date: 11/1/2026
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type:
Bakeries/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Source reported that Cup A Joe is planning to relocate its Hillsborough Street coffee shop and roasting operations from 3100 Hillsborough St. to a 4,942 sqft former restaurant at 3625 Hillsborough St., Raleigh, North Carolina. The longtime local coffee company serves freshly roasted coffee, espresso drinks, tea, smoothies, pastries, and sandwiches. An opening timeline has not been announced.

Biscuit Belly

8921 Christenbury Pkwy
Concord, NC 28027
www.biscuitbelly.com

Lauren Coulter
Co-Founder
Est. Opening Date: 11/5/2026
Publication Date: 9/29/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: American

Summary: Biscuit Belly will replace the existing Maple Street Biscuit Company restaurant in late fall 2026 at 8921 Christenbury Pkwy, Concord, North Carolina 28027. Co-founded by Lauren Coulter, the Southern breakfast and brunch concept will serve biscuit sandwiches, biscuits and gravy, breakfast tots, fried green tomatoes, pancakes, avocado toast, and breakfast cocktails.

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The Common Market

807 Halifax St
Raleigh, NC 27604
www.commonmarketisgood.com

Graham Worth
Partner
Est. Opening Date: 12/15/2026
Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Classic/Varied

Summary: Owner Graham Worth is preparing to open The Common Market at 807 Halifax St. in Raleigh's Seaboard Station development. Expected to open in late 2026, the 4,700 sqft neighborhood market, deli, bar, and bottle shop will feature prepared food and sandwiches, beer and wine, and retail goods and a large outdoor patio. The Raleigh location will be the company's second in the Triangle, following its Durham store.

Alma

520 University Center Blvd
Charlotte, NC 28262

Juan Carlos Leon
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 10/10/2026
Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type: Mexican

Summary: Alma Flavors of Mexico, a new restaurant owned by Juan Carlos Leon, will open in October 2026 at 520 University Center Blvd, Charlotte, North Carolina 28262. The Mexican restaurant will feature a bar and an outdoor patio in the University City area.

The Jimmy

1001 Deacon Blvd
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Jim Noble
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 9/23/2027
Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Other Ethnic

Summary: The Jimmy will open in fall 2027 at The Grounds, 1001 Deacon Blvd, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105. Restaurateur Jim Noble's two-story Mediterranean and Italian restaurant will serve wood-fired pizzas, seasonal dishes, chophouse-style entrees, and cocktails, with a rooftop overlooking Allegacy Financial Stadium. Noble also operates Rooster's, Copain, Bossy Beulah's, Noble Smoke, and The King's Kitchen.

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Zona Sport Bar and Grill

1514 US Highway 70 West
Garner, NC 27529
www.quepashoo.com

Alvaro Torres

Owner

Est. Opening Date: 11/15/2026

Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Owner Alvaro Torres has submitted plans to open Zona Sport Bar and Grill at 1514 US Highway 70 West, Garner, North Carolina 27529. The new restaurant and bar will occupy a 5,369 sqft space formerly operated by Ragazzi's Italian Restaurant. Additional concept details and an estimated opening date have not yet been announced.

Pikasso Swig Craft Bar

400 Fayetteville Street
Raleigh, NC 27601
www.pikassoswig.com

Jamie Schwartz

Owner/Founder

Est. Opening Date: 11/1/2026

Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and under

Menu Type:

Bakeries/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Founder Jamie Schwartz is preparing to open Pikasso Swig Craft Bar at 400 Fayetteville St. in downtown Raleigh, North Carolina. Expected to open in fall 2026, the venue will occupy the former Sir Walter Cabinet space inside The Sir Walter and combine more than 50 self-guided craft projects with appetizers, wine, craft beer, and locally made desserts. Projects will include painting, ceramics, jewelry making, embroidery, cake decorating, and glass etching. An exact opening date has not been announced.

The Fieldhouse Tavern

1001 Deacon Blvd
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Tom Brock

Co-Owners

Est. Opening Date: 10/16/2026

Publication Date: 9/24/2026

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: The Fieldhouse Tavern will open in fall 2027 at The Grounds, 1001 Deacon Blvd, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27105. Owners Tom and Brandon Brock, whose local concepts include Sage & Salt, Tuscani, and Spicy Pickle, are developing the two-story, food-focused sports bar with chef-driven dishes, a curated beverage program, premium audiovisual technology, and a rooftop bar overlooking the mixed-use development. The restaurant will be part of The Grounds' 42,000 sqft Retail & Dining Village.
