A Brief Guide to Eating and Drinking in Lausanne

Lausanne is a multicultural city with many nice cafés, restaurants, bars and clubs to experience.

While the cost of eating out in Switzerland may seem daunting at times, the bars and restaurants listed here all fall into the low-ish to mid-range in terms of pricing:

Appetizer: CHF 8 to 14
Main Course: CHF 20 to 35
Dessert: CHF 8 to 12

Soups and salads tend to come in at the low end of the appetizer range, with pizza and pasta at the lower end of the main courses. Meat dishes are the most costly and will take you into the higher end. There are also some nice take-away options listed, for those seeking more budget conscious alternatives.

Many of these restaurants also have daily menu specials, so please consult their websites for more information. You will also usually notice these listed on boards near the restaurant entrance.

Lastly, but certainly not least, a quick word or two on drinks. Hard alcohol is the most expensive when going out in Switzerland, so mixed drinks and shots will cost over CHF 10 each. Beer and wine are quite comparable, with costs between CHF 5 and 9.

Bottled water will cost around CHF 8 per litre in restaurants, so a good tip is to ask for tap water. The water quality is very high in Switzerland, so this is always a good option.
Italian Food

L’Antica Trattoria
*Homestyle Napolitan Specialties*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue Marterey 9, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 312 19 33

La Bruschetta
*Casual restaurant with traditional Italian cuisine*
Open Monday to Saturday
Avenue de la Gare 20, 1003 Lausanne, +41 021 312 57 34

Swiss Food

Café de l’Évêché
*Café restaurant, fondue speciality*
Open every day
Rue Louis-Curtat 4, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 323 93 23
www.leveche.ch

Café Romand
*Traditional Brasserie, Fondue speciality*
Open Monday to Saturday
Place Saint-François 2, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 312 63 75
www.cafe-romand.ch

Café du Grütli
*Brasserie cuisine, Fondue speciality*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue Mercerie 4, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 312 94 93
www.cafedugruetli.ch

Le Chalet Suisse
*Swiss restaurant, cheese specialities, great view*
Open every day
Route du Signal 40, 1018 Lausanne, +41 21 312 23 12
http://www.chaletsuisse.ch/

Greek Food

Le Lyrique
*Greek Cuisine*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue Beau-Séjour 29, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 312 88 87

Lebanese Food

O’Beirut
*Lebanese Cuisine*
Open Monday to Saturday, except for Monday lunch
Rue Bellefontaine 2, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 349 10 10
http://www.obeirut.com
French Food (or French influenced)

Le Byblos
Casual French café-restaurant
Open Monday to Saturday
Cheneau-de-Bourg 2, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 311 83 73
Facebook

Café Saint-Pierre
Trendy restaurant and bar, with tapas
Open Tuesday to Sunday (no reservation possible)
Benjamin-Constant 1, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 323 36 36
http://www.cafesaintpierre.ch

Café de Grancy
Casual French café-restaurant
Open every day
Ave. du Rond-Point 1, 1006 Lausanne, +41 21 616 86 66
www.cafedegrancy.ch

Café des Avenues
Casual French café-restaurant
Open Tuesday to Sunday
Ave. de Jurigoz 20, 1006 Lausanne, +41 21 616 11 11
www.cafe-des-avenues.ch

Café des Artisans
Casual French café-restaurant
Open every day, except Sunday
Rue Centrale 16, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 311 06 00
Facebook

Bleu Lézard
Casual French café-restaurant
Open every day
Rue Enning 10, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 321 38 30
www.bleu-lezard.ch

La Bossette
Casual French café-restaurant, good beer selection
Open every day, except Saturday and Sunday lunch
Place du Nord 4, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 320 15 85
http://bossette.ch

Café Mozart (du Conservatoire)
Casual brasserie, French and Italian, good view
Open Monday to Saturday, except Mon. and Sat. Evening
Rue de la Grotte 2, 1002 Lausanne, +41 21 323 10 30
www.mozartcafe.ch

Le Java
Casual French café-restaurant
Open every day
Rue Marterey 36, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 321 38 37
www.lejava.ch

L'Elephant Blanc
Casual, Nice little place
Open Tuesday to Saturday
Rue Cité-Derrière 11, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 323 46 56
www.lelephantblanc.ch

L'Elephant Blanc (Brasserie Side)
Casual, Nice little place
Open Monday to Saturday, except Wednesday evening
Rue Cité-Derrière 11, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 323 46 56
www.lapommedepin.ch
Bars and Pubs

Brasserie Artisinale du Château
*Brew Pub/Restaurant, pizza specialty*
Open every day, except Sunday lunch
Place du Tunnel 1, 1005 Lausanne, +41 21 312 60 11
[http://www.biereduchateau.ch](http://www.biereduchateau.ch)

La Bavaria
*Brasserie, Traditional German food*
Open every day, except Sunday lunch
Rue du Petit-Chêne 10, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 323 39 13
[www.labavaria.ch](http://www.labavaria.ch)

Les Brasseurs
*Large Brew Pub/Restaurant*
Open every day, except Sunday lunch
Rue Centrale 4, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 351 14 24
[www.les-brasseurs.ch](http://www.les-brasseurs.ch)

The Great Escape
*Small pub with large terrace*
Open every day
Rue Madeleine 18, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 312 3194
[www.the-great.ch](http://www.the-great.ch)

Crazy Canucks
*Canadian Sports Bar*
Open every day
Place Pépinet 1, 1003 Lausanne, +41 21 312 93 33
[Facebook](http://www.facebook.com)

Bourg Plage
*Outdoor Terrace, unique, minimal food*
Open every evening (depending on the weather)
Under the western arch of the Bessières bridge
[http://www.le-bourg.ch/bourg-plage](http://www.le-bourg.ch/bourg-plage)

Take Away Food

Holy Cow!
*Gourmet Burger Bar, some tables and take away*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue de Terraux 10, 1003 Lausanne
[www.holycow.ch](http://www.holycow.ch)

The Hot Dog Faktory
*Gourmet Hot Dogs, a few tables and take away*
Open Monday to Saturday
Avenue du Tribunal Fédéral 5, 1005 Lausanne

Holy Cow!
*Gourmet Burger Bar, some tables and take away*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue Chenneau-de-Bourg 17, 1003 Lausanne
[www.holycow.ch](http://www.holycow.ch)

Amigo Taco
*Mexican Tacos, a few tables and take away*
Open Monday to Saturday
Rue de Marterey 72, 1005 Lausanne

Useful Restaurant Links

 iTaste
TripAdvisor