

A P P E T I Z E R S

- Fried Green Tomatoes \$9**  
Sliced and double battered - wonderful to share!
- Fried Mushrooms \$9**  
Fresh whole button mushrooms, lightly battered, fried golden brown, and served with our Cajun Ranch dressing.
- Boudin Balls \$10**  
Four large spicy pork and seasoned rice boudin balls - lightly battered in cornmeal and flour and fried.
- Crawfish Tails \$14.25**  
A bowl of succulent plump crawfish tails lightly battered, spiced and fried.
- Fried Pickle Slices \$9**  
Sliced dill pickles, lightly battered, fried golden brown, and served with our Cajun Ranch dressing.
- Hushpuppies \$7.50**  
Ten hushpuppies - Pass them around and dip in our signature sauces!
- Popcorn Shrimp \$9**  
Hearty “pop ’em in your mouth” good.

- Shucked Raw Oysters Served on Ice\***  
(NOT on the half shell) with fresh lemon, horseradish, and our house Cocktail sauce.  
**Half Dozen \$19 or Full Dozen \$33**
- Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish) \$7**  
A cup of our famous, flavorful and rich Etouffée over rice. As Cajun as it gets!
- Shrimp Cocktail \$12**  
Chilled, peeled, lightly seasoned shrimp with fresh lemon & our perfect Cajun Cocktail sauce.
- Alligator Bites \$20**  
Bites of Fried Alligator seasoned just right - Mais Sha, dat’s good! (texture of meat may be tough due to the season)
- Magnolia Petals \$9**  
A hearty portion of our tasty spicy double battered and fried onion slices - Easy to munch & hard to share!
- The Zydeco \$10**  
Can't decide? Try our three most popular fried appetizers "dancing" together - Pickles, Petals, and Mushrooms.  
*(no substitutions)*
- Fried Oysters\* \$16**  
**Half Dozen - Fried the Way You Like**

B O I L E D S H R I M P

<b>Gulf Shrimp - Peel ’em and eat ’em</b>	<b>1/4 lb. \$8.50</b>	<b>1/2 lb. \$16.00</b>
Served warm with two hushpuppies and seasoned “da way you want” –	<b>Full lb. \$22.50</b>	

C A J U N G U M B O

Gumbo is like a fingerprint... each one is unique. Ask your server for a sample to taste ours.

<b>Choose: Light Gumbo</b> (Chicken Base) <b>or Dark Gumbo*</b> (Seafood Base)	<b>10 oz. Cup \$7</b>
Add one or all three: Chicken, Sausage, and Shrimp. Our gumbos start with a simple and full-flavored base with celery, onion, and bell pepper. (No Okra or Tomatoes)	<b>12 oz. Bowl \$9</b>
	<b>26 oz. The Boat \$13</b>


F R E S H S A L A D S

- Side Salad \$5.50**  
A garden-fresh salad with Iceberg and Green Leaf lettuces, cucumber, tomato, purple onion, and Cajun croutons  
**Add: Boiled Egg \$1 / Cheese \$1**
- Dinner Salad: Large \$14 / Mini \$7.50**  
A generous portion of Iceberg and Green Leaf lettuces, cucumber, tomato, boiled egg, purple onion, grated cheese, and Cajun croutons  
**Add on to either of our salads: \$5.50**  
**Fried or Grilled Chicken ~**  
**Boiled or Popcorn Shrimp ~**  
**Sautéed Shrimp** (in our flavorful marinade)
- Dressings: Ranch, Bleu Cheese, Honey Mustard, French, Thousand Island, Fat-Free Italian, Oil & Vinegar, Fat-Free Raspberry Vinaigrette, Pink Sauce, or Cajun Ranch

L U N C H M E N U

Mon ~ Fri 11am to 3pm ~ Tea or Water included ~ Each served with one Side Dish ~ \$11

(No Changes or Substitutions for Lunch Menu - \$.50 for soft drink)

-  **Shrimp & Grits** ~ Savory Garlic & Butter Grits topped with our flavorful butter sauce, cheese, tomatoes, green onion, and then either 4 Sautéed OR 4 Fried Shrimp.
- Mini Combo** ~ 4 Fried Shrimp & 1 Fried Catfish
- Popcorn Shrimp** ~ Pop 'em in your mouth good!
- Six Sautéed Shrimp** ~ Served with Rice Light and full of flavor!
- Manny's Great Divide** ~ Pair TWO of the following: Etouffée, Dirty Rice, or Red Beans & Rice (cannot double ~ up).
- Boudin Balls** ~ Two large spicy boudin balls
- One Grilled Catfish** ~ Served with Rice

## CAJUN CLASSICS

Each FRIED entrée is served with our famous sauces, two hushpuppies and a choice of **TWO SIDE DISHES**.

### Fried Gulf Shrimp

Ten ~ \$15      Fifteen ~ \$18

One LB ~ \$33

Fresh, butterflied, & marinated in a seasoned batter, fried golden brown.

### Chicken Tenders \$14

Large fresh and juicy tenders, lightly battered with a hint of garlic and fried just right.

### Popcorn Shrimp \$13

Hearty "pop 'em in your mouth" good!

### Fried Catfish Fillets \$14

Four Thin cuts of fillets marinated in a zesty mustard batter and lightly crusted with seasoned cornmeal and flour, and fried golden brown.  
CAUTION: MAY CONTAIN SMALL BONES

**Fried Combo Dinner:**    **Small \$14.50**    **Large \$17.50**    Gulf Shrimp, Chicken Tenders, or Catfish

**Manny's Sampler \$38**    Mix and Match 3 separate items from all choices listed below:  
(no double choices – three separate items please)

Fried Choices: Shrimp (6), Oysters (6), Crawfish Tails, Catfish (3), Chicken Tenders (3)

Grilled Choices: Full Catfish Fillet, Chicken Tenders (3), Sautéed Shrimp (6)

Boiled: One Fourth LB boiled shrimp – your choice of Light, Medium, Hot, or Cajun Hot spice

### Manny Special \$26.50

**Choose Two:** Shrimp (6), Chicken (3), or Catfish (3) served with two hushpuppies and choice of **ONE SIDE DISH**

**Choose Three:** Etouffée ~ Gumbo (Dark or Light Roux) ~ Red Beans & Rice ~ Dirty Rice ~ ¼ lb. Boiled Shrimp  
(only boiled shrimp can NOT be doubled~up)

### Mini Manny Special \$22

**Choose Two:** Shrimp (4), Chicken (2), or Catfish (2) served with two hushpuppies and choice of **ONE SIDE DISH**

**Choose Two:** Etouffée ~ Gumbo (Dark or Light Roux) ~ Red Beans & Rice ~ Dirty Rice ~ ¼ lb. Boiled Shrimp  
(only boiled shrimp can NOT be doubled~up)

## BAYOU FAVORITES

Each Bayou Favorite is a choice specialty dinner from Louisiana, served with two hushpuppies and **ONE SIDE DISH**.

### Crawfish Combo \$21

"The Cajun Two Step" Fried Crawfish tails go out on the town with our famous Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish)  
**Or Substitute Crawfish Tails for 8 Fried Shrimp**

### Fried Crawfish Tails \$17

Plump, spicy crawfish tails fried to perfection

### Gulf Oyster Dinner\* \$25

Cooked the way YOU like ~

Med soft outside / soft inside

Med Well crunchy outside / soft inside

Well crunchy outside and cooked through

### Manny's Half & Half \$23.50

**PAIR: Crawfish (3oz.) OR Oysters (6)\***

**WITH: Shrimp (6) or Catfish (3) or Chicken (4)**

Oysters cooked the way YOU like – Medium, Medium Well, or Well

## POBOYS & HAMBURGERS

Served warm on a garlic buttered and toasted bun, with lettuce, tomato, and your choice of **ONE SIDE DISH**.

**Popcorn Shrimp \$12.25**

**Fried Catfish \$12.25**

**Grilled Chicken Deluxe \$14**

Grilled Mushrooms & Pepper Jack Cheese

**Chicken \$12.25**

**Grilled Chicken \$12.25**

**Hamburger \$13 / Double Meat \$18**

**Oyster \$24**

**Crawfish Tails \$17.25**

Pepper Jack Cheese \$1    Bacon - \$2.50

Grilled Mushrooms \$1    Grilled Onions .50

## DESSERTS

**In-House Homemade Pecan Pie \$7 ~ Deep Fried Pecan Pie \$8.50**

**Cheesecakes: New York \$7 ~ Praline \$8 ~ Turtle \$8 ~ Deep Fried \$8.50**

**Pies: Coconut, Chocolate, or Lemon Meringue \$7**

**Chocolate Lov'n Cake \$10 ~ Deep Fried Choc Cake \$11.50**

~Full Dessert Menu with Descriptions Available on Request ~



OFF THE GRILL

Mahi Mahi \$19

Tropical Hawaiian fish fillet marinated with a special blend of seasonings and tenderly grilled – served with two Side Dishes of your choice. CAUTION: THE MAHI MAY OCCASIONALLY CONTAIN SMALL BONES

Grilled Chicken Breast \$15

8 oz. of lean chicken breast, basted in Manny’s special marinade and grilled over an open flame – served with two Side Dishes.

Chicken Lagniappe \$19

Manny’s delicious grilled chicken breast smothered with mushroom slices sautéed in garlic butter and pepper jack cheese - served with two Side Dishes of your choice.

Grilled Catfish Fillets \$21

Two thick catfish fillets deliciously basted and seasoned; then grilled to perfection served with two Side Dishes of your choice. Blackened on request. CAUTION: Catfish fillets may occasionally contain small bones



Sautéed Shrimp Dinner \$15

Ten of our shrimp sautéed with our tasty and flavorful shrimp marinade served over fluffy white rice, and one Side Dish.

Grilled Shrimp Kabobs \$16

Two kabobs of four shrimp each, with mushrooms, purple onion, and tomato, served on fluffy white rice with our fantastic shrimp marinade on the side - served with one Side Dish.

The Frenchie Two Catfish Fillets \$26 / One Fillet \$17.50

Our grilled catfish placed on top of a bed of dirty rice then smothered with our famous etouffee and choice of one side dish.

ADDONS

- |   |                                  |                                    |
|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Four Fried Shrimp \$6                         | Two Fried Chicken Tenders \$5.50 | Two Grilled Chicken Tenders \$5.50 |
| Two Pieces Fried Catfish \$6                  | Five Sautéed Shrimp \$6.50       | Whole Grilled Catfish Fillet \$9   |
| Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish - no rice) \$4.50 | Six Fried Oysters \$16           |                                    |

STEAKS

Our steaks are prepared with a house steak-rub, seared in Cajun butter to seal in the wonderful flavor of the steak and grilled to your specifications. Served with your choice of **TWO SIDE DISHES**.



\* 8 oz Sirloin Steak \$25

\* 12 oz Black Angus Choice Ribeye Steak \$35

RARE: Cold Red Center

MEDIUM RARE: Warm Red Center

MEDIUM: Dark Pink Center

MEDIUM WELL: Light Pink Center

WELL: Little to No Pink

Add grilled mushroom and pepper jack cheese \$3

5 Fried Shrimp, 5 Sautéed Shrimp, or Grilled Shrimp Kabob with rice \$6.50

CHILDREN’S MENU

For Children 12 and under meal includes a Child’s Drink (no substitutions).

Choose one of the following entrées: **\$7.50**

Mac & Cheese ~ 4) Shrimp ~ 4) Catfish ~ Corn Dog ~ 4) Chicken Nuggets

Choose 1 Side Dish: Fries, Corn, Cole slaw, Rice, New Potatoes, Hushpuppies, Mac & Cheese or Steamed Veggies

BEVERAGES

Large Drink \$2.95 Child’s Drink \$2.50 Coffee \$2

Hot Tea (2) \$2 Hot Chocolate (1) \$2

Un-sweet , Sweet , or Raspberry Tea

Coca-Cola, Diet Coke, Sprite, Dr. Pepper,

Root Beer, Pink Lemonade, Milk (2)



Shrimp Boat Manny's is a BYOB establishment.

\* There is a risk associated with consuming raw oysters or any raw animal protein. If you have immune disorders, or chronic illness of the liver, stomach, or blood, you are at greatest risk of illness from raw oysters and should eat oysters fully cooked. If unsure of your risk, consult your physician.

**Please let us know if you have any FOOD ALLERGIES.**

**We are known for unique recipes and want to ensure you have made a safe choice in your selection!**

Each of our Cajun Delights is served with two hushpuppies and your choice of **ONE SIDE DISH**.

**Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish) Small \$11.50 Large \$14**

A true Louisiana DEEE-Light! Shrimp & Crawfish Tails in a creamy, spicy sauce, over rice  
(or dirty rice for SM \$2.50 / LG \$3.50).

**Red Beans & Rice with Sausage Small \$8 Large \$10.50**

Flavorful Red Beans with great smoked sausage chopped and mixed into, served over white rice  
(or dirty rice for SM \$2.50 / LG \$3.50).

**Manny's Great Divide \$12** Pair two from the following: Red Beans & Rice, Etouffée, or Cajun Dirty Rice.  
Substitute white rice with dirty rice for \$2.50



**Boudin Pirogue \$17.50** Five fried shrimp with two crispy Boudin Balls smothered  
in our famous Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish).

**Cajun Pirogue \$17.50** Five fried shrimp with two generous scoops of Cajun Potato Casserole.  
Then smothered in our famous Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish).



**Shrimp & Grits \$14** Savory Garlic & Butter Grits topped with our flavorful butter sauce,  
cheese, tomatoes, green onion, and then either 8 Sautéed OR 8 Fried Shrimp.  
**Jazz it up by Adding BACON \$2.50**

**Cajun Trio \$16** "The Who Dat?" - Dance your way into THREE of Manny's good eats –  
Choose from: Etouffée (Shrimp & Crawfish), Dark or Light Roux Gumbo, Red Beans & Rice with Sausage,  
Dirty Rice or ¼ lb. Boiled Shrimp (only boiled shrimp can NOT be doubled~up).

**Shrimp Lover's Trio \$20** Can't decide? Have all three!  
Five Fried Shrimp, ¼ lb. Boiled Shrimp, and a Grilled Shrimp Kabob on a bed of rice. (Only Kabob cannot be doubled up.)

SIDE DISHES

Complimentary Sides

**Cole Slaw** (sweet) / A la Carte: **\$2.50**

**Mac & Cheese** / A la Carte: **\$2.50**

Homemade with cream, three cheeses, cream of mushroom, garlic pepper and seasoning for a unique kick!

**French Fried Potatoes** / A la Carte: **\$2.75**

Thick wedges with a seasoned crust

**Steamed White Rice** / A la Carte: **\$2**

**Corn on the Cob** / A la Carte: **\$2**

**Fresh New Potatoes** / A la Carte: **\$2**

Cooked daily with butter and parsley

**Jalapeno Hushpuppies (4)** / A la Carte: **\$2.50**

**Steamed Veggies** / A la Carte: **\$2.50**

Seasonal blend with garlic flavor added  
(carrots, cauliflower, broccoli)

**Garlic & Butter Grits** / A la Carte: **\$2**

Upgraded Sides

**Dirty Rice \$1.75 / A la Carte \$2.75**

Homemade traditional Cajun Rice Dressing with Beef and Pork, then seasoned with onion, bell pepper, garlic & a KICK!

**Etouffée Sauce** (No rice) **\$3.50 / A la Carte \$4.50**

Shrimp & Crawfish Tails in a creamy, spicy, and buttery sauce.

**Grilled Vegetables \$2.00 / A la Carte \$3.00**

Our seasonal blend sautéed on our grill with a dash of our Cajun seasoned butter

**Homemade Cajun Potato Casserole \$2.50**

A la Carte **\$3.50** Aunt June's recipe – all fresh, with green onion, and lots of butter, cheese, and seasoning ~ "twice baked".

**Red Beans & Rice with Sausage \$1.75**

A la Carte **\$2.75** Flavorful Red Beans with great smoked sausage chopped and mixed into, served over white rice.

**Side Salad \$4.50 / A la Carte \$5.50**

A garden fresh salad with Iceberg and Green Leaf lettuces, cucumber, tomato, purple onion, and Cajun croutons.

**Add: Boiled Egg \$1 / Cheese \$1**

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## How did Shrimp Boat Manny's Begin?

Back in '85 in Lafayette, Louisiana, Poppa Manny Rachal took him his little son "Tee" Jake wit a shade tent, a boil pot, and some RC Cola in his boat to go down to da bayou to catch some crawfish. Dem two Cajuns set out dair crawfish nets and in hardly no time a-tall, dey had demseffs a coupla ice chestes fulla crawfish. But all of a sudden, a great big huge hurrrycane whirlywin come right up outta mostes no wares and pulled dat whole boat – dem menfokes too – right up off da water! Fer True! Da whole boat!

Dat big big wirlywin jus turnd dem round and round and round for too long and when dat hurricane finally pooped out, Poppa Manny and Tee Jake was in some waters dat musta been in anudda county! Dey wernt in no bayou a-tall - no alligator, no Cypress stump and no mosses, no wair! It was a big wide wide open kinda water. Poppa Manny was feel'n kinda mossy in da head when da peoples dair tole him dey was at Lake Livingston in TEXAS. How on ert, he tought, was he gonna git hisself and his boy Tee Jake all da way back to Lafayette? He sure hadn't took no money wit hisseff to go campin on da bayou! What WAS he gonna do?

Tee Jake was tellin his poppa he was hungry but dat Cajun man was real smart, him, when it come to food! Dey walked down to da first gas station and filled up dat boil pot wit water, pitched dair tent by da road and started boiling dem crawfish. Den, in no time a-tal, peeples was stoppin and axin Poppa Manny what was dat, dat smelled so mighty good!

It didn't take dat Cajun man too long, him, to figure out to sell dem crawfish to pay da way fer him and Tee Jake to git back to Lafayette! Poppa Manny tole da famly all what happened to hisseff and Tee Jake. So dey drove all da way back to Texas to git dair boat. But when dey got dair, all dose peeples kept axin Poppa Manny to boil dem some more-a-dem real good crawfish. Well, no Cajun famly ever passes up a good chance to show some hospitalty to dem dat dont know about Cajun cookin! Da next ting you know, dair was a Shrimp Boat Manny's restrant in Livingston, Texas and poppa Manny put dat real famous boat up in da airs in fronta da restrant! Peeples from all over da places come by to eat dat good good Cajun cookin at Shrimp Boat Manny's and pass demseffs a real real good time, and dey say...

*"Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!"..... "Let the good times roll!"*

## ~ The Real Story ~

Early 1985, while visiting his brother Odell, Manny Rachal felt there was a "need" for boiled crawfish in the Livingston area! A young man of 33 with a growing family of three little ones and another on the way, he certainly could use a "few more dollars". Weekdays he sold life insurance in Lafayette, LA and on weekends headed to Livingston, TX setting up his tent and a butane burner rig. Manny's boiled crawfish soon became a local favorite of many Polk Countians. (His eldest son Jake, then 5, really did make the first trip with him, and it was so windy that pitching the tent was almost impossible. Manny later said of the fiasco, "If Jake hadn't been with me, I would have packed it up and gone home.") By November, that same year, locating 2 miles out on 190 West, he opened a one-room cafe in a 20 x 30 metal building with only 17 chairs, often using his desk as a table for "overflow". He soon added space for more kitchen and dining areas, expanding seating capacity to 50. The business became well known for the great Cajun cooking and friendly atmosphere. Continued growth soon prompted Manny and Nancy to bring the restaurant into Livingston. Plans were well underway, when Harlan Cochran, a friend and loyal patron, offered a deal on the lumber from the JW Cochran & Co. Feed Mill, built in the early 1920's, with the stipulation that Manny would handle the demolition and clean the site. The old lumber gave instant age and character to the Cajun style building you're now in, completed in February 1991. A year later, they added on the rear dining section, and a year after that, additional office and kitchen space. The Lord has continued to bless the Rachal family through the years. You may have been served by one of their five children (Ryan, Jake, Josh, Ross and Jessie) as they grew up working here.

Manny and Nancy would like to personally thank all of you, our guests through the years, for the great friendships and loyal patronage. You are one of the main reasons Shrimp Boat Manny's has made its mark in East Texas for over 30 years. We praise Jesus that we will continue to grow, expand, and serve our community in the Louisiana Cajun way – with a warm heart and a friendly smile!

## Where did all those Cajuns come from?

Cajuns are the descendants of exiles from the French colony of ACADIA (present-day Nova Scotia and adjacent areas) who left their homeland in 1755 and found refuge in southern Louisiana a decade later. Their speech is an archaic form of French into which are incorporated words taken from English, German, Spanish, and various Indian languages. The migration of the French Acadians to Louisiana was neither smooth nor immediate. Many were shipped to the New England colonies, others to the West Indies or back to France, and many wandered for 20 years before learning that they were welcome in the predominantly French territory of Louisiana. Fishing and trapping villages were established in the swamplands. Cajun cooking may be a first cousin to the Creole cuisine of New Orleans, but there is none other quite like it in the world for the imagination of its dishes or the artistic robustness of its seasoning. The feisty, hardworking Acadians (Cajuns for short) remained isolated in the swamps well into the 20th century. As a result, they still speak their own language, and their culture is filled with unique dances, songs, festivals and Crawfish Racing. Along with its food and music, the major trademarks of Cajun Country are pirogues (canoes made from a single cypress log), Spanish moss, alligators, swamps, bayous and "Cajun Cabins".