

## Get Your Oyster Fix in Toronto

However you like your oysters, options abound in Ontario

**TORONTO IS CRAZY** about oysters. From no-frills oyster bars to chic, high-concept emporiums, the restaurants around town really know how to shuck, serve and slurp these tasty bivalves. Both aficionados and first-time tasters will want to start their oyster tour at **Rodney's Oyster House**. As the granddaddy of Toronto's oyster bars — founded in 1987 by Rodney Clark — this family-run, subterranean space in the entertainment district is oyster-party central. Sidle up to one of the granite bars and savor offerings shucked by a friendly and knowledgeable staff. [Rodneysoysterhouse.com](http://Rodneysoysterhouse.com)

Next stop is **The Ceilí Cottage**. Patrick McMurray, aka “Shucker Paddy,” presides over this two-room Irish pub and oyster bar in Toronto's east end, which features

oysters from Ireland — Galway flats and Clarinbridge Bay — plus Canada's best. (Tip: Wash 'em down with Scrimshaw Oyster Stout.) [Ceilicottage.com](http://Ceilicottage.com)

At **Oyster Boy** on Queen Street West, “Mollusks for the Masses” is the slogan for this 45-seat neighborhood storefront. Dine at the chopping-block bar and slurp oysters from sustainable sources on both coasts of Canada. [Oysterboy.ca](http://Oysterboy.ca)

Last but certainly not least, **The Chase Fish & Oyster** is a posh little eatery in the booming financial district where you can sit at the polished white-marble bar and watch the chefs shuck. Oysters arrive atop an ice-filled silver bowl with colorful condiments and a dropper bottle of hot sauce. [Thechasefo.com](http://Thechasefo.com) —NECEE REGIS