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# CRAB HOUSES

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**Fisherman's Inn & Crab Deck, 3116 Main St., Grasonville.**

Another popular Grasonville crab house is Fisherman's Inn & Crab Deck.

The family owned restaurant sits on the Kent Island Narrows off Prospect Bay and has been a staple since 1930, though a fire destroyed the restaurant in 1980 and Tropical Storm Isabel left her mark in 2003.

No misfortune was powerful enough to stop Fisherman's Inn from being a go-to restaurant for seafood lovers so they fought through the hard times.

Now the restaurant sports a newly renovated watering hole, the Nauti Mermaid Bar.

Customers still crave their steamed crabs, which recently were going for \$75 for a dozen large.

"Rolls of paper towels, brown paper on the tables, and the aroma

of Old Bay in the air leave no doubt that this place is the real deal for a traditional crab-picking experience," the Wades wrote.

In her book, Baker lauds the family for the restaurant's quality.

"Sonny Schulz, a third-generation member of the family, is a fisherman himself and particular about what is served at the Fisherman's Inn and the Crab Deck next door... no visit to the Eastern Shore is complete without a stop at this 'seafood central' — where the Schulz family and a friendly staff are skilled in the art of Southern hospitality."

In addition to its seafood fare, Fisherman's offers boat docking, live music and a great view of the water.



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Cody Singleton of Centerville and Ben Mortimer of Harlock remove crabs from a steamer at the Fisherman's Inn and Crab Deck in Grasonville.