Citrus County Restaurants: LECANTO, HERNANDO, BEVERLY HILLS. This area of the county has some franchise and fast-food places... I usually don't rate them. You will find: Culver's, Wawa, Burger King, McDonalds, Wendys, Dunkin' Donuts, Subway, PaPa John Pizza... New or coming: Starbucks, Arby's, Panera, Texas Roadhouse, Panda Express.

LECANTO: A FAVORITE: *Katch 22* is closed for a major rebuild.

World Fusion, Popular for sushi. Has a good following, our service has never been good there for dinner, but enjoyed lunches (1988 N Future Terrace off 486), 352-513-3800. http://www.worldfusionsushi.com/

Glory Days: Popular sports bar; new to the area. Good service and good food. 3148 W Norvell Bryant HWY: Opens 3 PM call ahead seating.(352) 352-1314; https://www.glorydaysgrill.com/?

NEW: *Mikang Sushi,* Hernando, 2492 N Heritage Oaks Path, Mon-Sat 11-9; Closed Sunday; I have this recommendation from the <u>nextdoor.com</u> website... and this is what the person said about the new place in town: *Mikang Sushi...*" *We lived in Okinawa Japan for five years, so we're pretty picky about Japanese food. I've been searching ever since we moved here in 2021 for good Ramen and sushi we've tried everywhere from Crystal River to Ocala and finally found a restaurant with authentic Ramen and great sushi! They just added two types of Ramen to the menu last week." No delivery but they do take out. They also have Korean dishes, "ambience is wonderful interior staff is very attentive and nice." https://www.mikangsushi.com/ 352-513-3588*

NEW: *LaPergola Italian and Argentinian Restaurant* 2780 N Florida Ave, Hernando, Heard good things from some, okay from other. (352) 503-2242

Breakfast Station (4 Locations on CC)) Good service and good food has made this restaurant very popular! (3593 Lecanto Hwy, Winn Dixie Shopping Plaza, 352-513-3845, http:// www.thebreakfaststation.com/

Los Magueyes, one of several locations in CC; Excellent Mexican food and good service. Beverly Hills: 352-270-9198; https://www.facebook.com/ losmagueyesbeverlyhills/

Bangkok Thai Restaurant) New owners: Great Carry-out business. (352-746-0443), 4925 Lecanto Hwy, http://www.bangkokthai.net/

New England Pastry & Cafe continues to be a local favorite with reasonably priced home-style cooking. We split and enjoy the tuna melt. 3896 Lecanto Hwy, 352-527-3374; http://www.newenglandcafe.com/

*Chian's Chinese...*mainly carryout...in business 19 years...3599 N Lecanto Hwy (Winn Dixie Plaza) 352-746-3233; http://hernandochansrestaurant.weebly.com/our-menu.html

What's the Scoop? Hershey's Ice Cream and more (hot dogs, sandwiches, etc. 3521 Lecanto Hwy; 352-513-3541.

Moschello's Italian: also in Homosassa; Pizza and more. Pizza by the slice. 750 W Hampshire Blvd, actually in Citrus Springs. (352) 746-5000.

If you have not been to **Papa Willies Bar and Grill** in Beverly Hills for their wings and shrimp, give it a try. Reviews are mixed on their food but cheap! Everyday from 4pm to 6pm all wings are .45 cents and so is the peel and eat shrimp. papawilliesbarandgrill.com; 352-746-1770

HERNANDO: *Jimmy T's New York Deli*: is a great place for breakfast and lunch. I like the crispy wrap, reuben; my husband likes that they have a chicken soup everyday and Boer's Head meats. 919 Hwy 486, 352-637-5555,

Cattledogs Roasters has a nice selection for lunch, light breakfast and carry out. Always something different to try with the monthly changing menu. Excellent and cheap lobster roll on Fridays. 2416 Heritage Oaks, 352-249-3166, and locations in Inverness and Crystal River); www.cattledogroasters.com

We tried *Mike's Other Place* for lunch in Hernando (it's a deli and hot dog place). After you enter, grab your drinks from the cooler, stand in line to place your order. They bring your lunch to your table. Art had a coney dog. I had a container of seafood salad, and it was OK. Corned Beef sandwich was HUGE. Very reasonable prices and this a very popular place. I also brought home a lobster, shrimp, and scallop cannelloni tray. It was very good for \$11.99 (three cannellonis). They usually have 3 choices of "take home" to heat up yourself..2780 N Florida Ave (Hwy 41); 352-419-4274

Paige's Root Beer -A place for old fashioned fried hamburgers and homemade root beer. Often wins the "best Hamburger" award in CC. from NEXTDOOR SITE: "Paiges has that old fashion burger in the softest bun. I have not found that taste since my early

days in Chicago. Their root beer is A&W great. although more expensive than franchised burger places, Paiges delivers a much better product" 2147 Norvell Bryant (486), 352-746-3351, http://paigesrootbeer.com/

Sabina's Diner & Ice Cream Shop (2400 Hwy 41, 352-637-1308. "Been there done that." Food was okay and reasonable.. https:// www.facebook.com/Sabinas-Diner-and-Ice-Cream-Shop-111124858920278/

Angelos Pizzeria near Citrus Hills (2nd location in Inverness); Dine in, take out, delivery. Good Italian to me. We order from here when family comes because they deliver. 2492 N. Essex; 352-746-5026; http://angelosnypizza.com/

Mariana's Stinky Rose: Tasty: veal marsala, huge meatloaf size meatballs! Seafood pasta was loaded with shrimp, calamari, clams, etc. The house salad and bruschetta is very good as well as their bread. 2649 Forest Ridge Blvd (Publix), 352-270-8432;

Sauced Hog (486) Local bar, good for BBQ for reasonable prices. (352) 419-8990. 2408 N. Fatima Ave (off 486) https://www.facebook.com/sauced.hog

Burger Station: (2700 N Florida Ave, 352-726-0040). A great place for a huge burger or footlong hot dog.

Chicken King: Always had great friend chicken. They have a great breakfast following. Short dinner hours: Call for times. 2420 N Florida Ave (41 and 486) 352-344-0223.

Cady's Cafe is a coffee place, but they have a nice-sized breakfast/lunch menu. This is a paper plate, plastic fork type place with very reasonable prices. Cozy size: 4 tables inside and a couple tables outside. They do have ready to go items, as well as, carryout business.. Check their hours. Art ordered a BLT and it was OK, little lacking on the tomato. I ordered the quiche which is called a breakfast pie, and it was OK, but large for enough for leftovers. Cady's is located in the former Kmart/ Bealls Shopping Center at 1492 U S Highway 41. 352-503-2663. https://www.cadyscafe.com

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