

Sloppy Joe's

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If you are visiting the Hemingway House to see how the beloved author lived, then if you know anything about his life, you must also visit where he drank!

Sloppy Joe's Bar is a Key West tradition since 1933. Quite ironically, it opened its doors the very day Prohibition was repealed, and it has been serving expertly crafted libations and delicious food ever since. With an interesting history and several names, it is a fact that Ernest Hemingway himself suggested the Name Sloppy Joe's, and like many of the words that fell from the author's lips, it stuck.

Today locals and visitors alike gather at Sloppy Joe's, where live music always entertains its guests as they have a beer or two at the bar, or have a lively family dinner.

The menu at Sloppy Joe's has something for everyone, but whatever your taste, come on an empty stomach! The Starters and Snacks at Sloppy Joe's can be meals on their own accord. The chicken strips are served by the half pound, and they are breaded to perfection. The Conch Fritters are a must-try, especially when dipped in the made-in-house Key Lime Mustard!

If your stomach is ready for some serious finger food, then try the Havana Nachos, tortilla chips piled high and topped with jalapenos, tomatoes, black olives, black beans, cheddar and jack cheeses, onions, sour cream, and salsa.

Now, as that you are at Sloppy Joe's, you must try the Sloppy joe Sandwich, a gigantic bun filled with ground beef in a sweet, rich tomato sauce. The Full Moon Fish Sandwich also seems to be a favorite... batter dipped and deep fried. The Shrimp and Chips are also an excellent choice... crispy and fulfilling.

And even though you know that you just "shouldn't" have dessert, you are in Key West, so you can not exit the building until you have had a slice of sinfully delicious Key Lime Pie!

For more information on Sloppy Joe's, you may visit them [online](#) , or call (305) 294-5717.