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The Tiki Hut Lakeside Grill at Lake Keowee Marina, seen in April, overlooks the lake and marina where boat shows and recreation take place. KEN RUINARD/INDEPENDENT MAIL

Restaurants on the lake from Hartwell to Keowee

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Getting out on the lake is great, but it takes a lot of prep work and responsibility.

So, if you just want to enjoy a little of the lake life without having to buy a boat, get a bunch of licenses and limit

the friends who can go to five, that's where lake restaurants come into play.

For the number of lakes around the Upstate, there aren't a huge number of restaurants resting on or near them. Lake Jocassee has none (mostly due to zoning) and Lake Keowee has only two. Lake Hartwell has the most with around 10 restaurants, but even that is a small number for the amount of coastline that

surrounds each lake.

Thankfully, all these restaurants serve a different need.

There are pubs, seafood, sushi, fine dining and casual eateries throughout and each has a different clientele and different offerings

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the menu includes seafood and steak options prepared in unique ways.

Nami

Address: 1629 Marina Road, Anderson

Contact info: 864.287.3219

Hours: 5-10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday

Sushi is big around the Upstate and Nami is really the restaurant that kicked it off for Anderson County.

The master sushi chef who brought the place to prominence has retired, but continues to collaborate and counsel those who are carrying on the tradition. The sushi is some of the most popular in the Upstate with diners coming from the tri-county area to enjoy masterfully created rolls.

Outdoor dining is always popular during the spring and summer seasons, and the ability to cruise right up off the water and dine is a great feature.

The Swamp Bar and Grill

Address: 1615 Reed Creek Highway, Hartwell, Ga.

Contact info: 706.376.5105

Hours: 4-10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 4 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday

Classic bar food is the name of the game at The Swamp Bar and Grill in Hartwell, Ga.

Fried shrimp, burgers, chicken tenders, fries, onion rings and baked potatoes are the popular choices, but they also offer some specials on the weekends to keep regulars on their toes.

The prices are affordable, and the full bar and large menu of seasonal cocktails make it a hang out for residents and travelers alike. Plus, enjoy live music most weekends as the sun sets on the water.

Tilly's Tiki Bar and Grill

Address: 1476 Harbor Light Marina Road, Lavonia, Ga.

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Lake Hartwell

The Local Pub and Eatery
1500 Providence Church Road, Anderson

Contact info: 864.844.9244

Hours: 4-10 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday

Since opening this past April, The Local Pub and Eatery has attracted a whole lot of diners curious about the newest restaurant on Lake Hartwell. The owners also run Uptown Lounge and brought a few favorites from that long-standing restaurant in downtown Anderson, but it's their seafood, steaks, veggie and dessert specials that are getting folks excited to come all the way out to Stone Creek Cove for dinner and drinks.

Put that together with expansive outdoor dining, planned special events like pop-up art shows and stand-up paddleboard yoga and online ordering for dockside delivery and The Local stands to change the way lake lovers enjoy the water and the food.

The Galley

Address: 1629 Marina Road, Anderson

Contact info: 864.287.3215

Hours: 5-10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday

Without a doubt, The Galley is the most popular restaurant on Lake Hartwell.

Located at Portman Marina, this fine-dining experience brings in residents, tourists, visitors and just about anyone who has ever stepped foot in Anderson County.

The Hearth Room is a highlight offering small plates directly from the one-of-a-kind hearth oven. And the rest of



The Galley Restaurant on a clear day in April with a view of Lake Hartwell at Portman Marina. The popular lake restaurant in Western Anderson is at 1629 Marina Road, and open 5-10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. KEN RUINARD/
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The Local Pub and Eatery at Stone Creek Cove in Anderson had its grand opening on April 14. JAKE GROVE/INDEPENDENT MAIL



Nami is in Anderson. KATIE MCLEAN/INDEPENDENT MAIL