



A Lowcountry Weekly guide to bar hopping the Downtown Historic District

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PART TWO: OFF THE WATERÂ

"In wine there is wisdom, in beer there is freedom, in water there is bacteria." – Benjamin Franklin

Here at *Lowcountry Weekly* the Life Behind Bars staff (yours truly) remains deeply dedicated to the exploration of our local watering holes. As some of you have pointed out, this is almost like work and yet we trudge on in our quest for the best cocktails and bar snacks in town.

In the previous installment we managed to cover the bars and restaurants along the waterfront park. This time out we're taking our rather optimistic pub crawl to the other side of Bay Street and beyond. We begin with the newest addition to Beaufort's diverse and growing downtown

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bar scene.

Wined It Up

Wine Bar & Specialty Deli

705 Bay Street

www.wineditup.net

(843) 379-5585

11:00 am – till every day.



Tara Tracy and Bryan Shepler are just happy to be here. Seriously. Last September their popular Georgetown restaurant, Limpin' Jane's Old South Eatery, was razed in a fire that consumed a block of historic waterfront in a matter of minutes. They were asleep in the apartment over the restaurant when the alarm went off around 5 am. Shepler knew something was terribly wrong when his bare feet hit a hot floor. "I had time to grab my guitar and that was about it," he says. They scoured the coast from Wilmington to Hilton Head in search of a place to rebuild before settling on Beaufort.

"We wanted to do something different," says Tracy. And they did. At Wined It Up the primary focus is

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Wren Inn is open Monday - Saturday 5pm - 11pm. It is a popular spot for drinks and socializing.

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