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Colorado-Based Chain The Lost Cajun Brings Even More Gumbo & Jambalaya To The Houston Area

Can it compete with Houston's hallowed Cajun eateries?

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Considering that Houston is already home to some pretty excellent Cajun fare, a new eatery from Colorado has a lot to prove as it plans to make its debut in the suburbs.

Announced via release, The Lost Cajun will open its first Houston-area restaurant at 7042 FM 1960 East next week. The first outpost is just the beginning of a major expansion that the chain is plotting in Houston, with plans to open "10 to 15" locations across the city and its suburbs in the coming years.

The restaurant is known for its "traditional

Cajun food," including popular dishes like gumbo, jambalaya, and red beans and rice. For those that are skeptical that a Colorado-based restaurant could really bring "authentic" Cajun fare to Houston, owner Raymond Griffin does at least have a Louisiana pedigree. According to the restaurant's website, Griffin was raised in Barataria, LA, and moved to the mountains in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and the devastating BP oil spill.

The Lost Cajun currently operates 11 restaurants in Colorado, South Carolina, and Tennessee, along with Texas outposts

in Midland and Odessa. Aesthetically, the restaurant serves up a "hole in the wall" vibe that resembles Louisiana's famed gumbo houses, complete with an open kitchen and plenty of old-school southern hospitality. According to the release, servers are required to address patrons as "sir" or "ma'am."

When The Lost Cajun arrives next week, the restaurant will be open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Sunday.