

## Who Am I

### About Me

Larry's Crabcakes (via Don James, ATM)

**I am retired University Professor (Oceanography and Applied Mathematics, The University of Chicago) and Chief Software Engineer (L-3 Communications, Reston VA). I came to Corrales, New Mexico, in July 2008 via Brooklyn NY, Baltimore MD, Ithaca NY, Chicago IL, and Burtonsville MD. "What," you may ask, "is an oceanographer doing in the New Mexico high desert?" Looking for chupacabra. Wonderful when barbecued.**

**I cook. I invent dishes. I am a Certified Barbecue Judge for the Kansas City Barbecue Society. In the short time that I have been in New Mexico I have eaten in hundreds of restaurants and specialty shops, some great and some really bad. I will tell you which I think are great ( Artichoke, Jennifer James 101, Budai, Namaste, Mary and Tito's, M'Tucci's, ...) and which I know are terrible, to be avoided (Village Inn, Blake's Lotaburger, Banana Leaf, Fortune Cookie, The Cooperage, Sadie's, El Pinto ...), and I will tell you why. Enjoy my ramblings and rants at [Larry's Albuquerque Food Musings](http://www.abqtopten.com/blog) as well as on [Urbanspoon](http://www.urbanspoon.com). I have written about 750 reviews.**

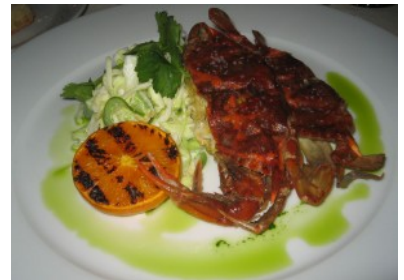
## Maryland Crabcakes



I have been known to make Maryland Crabcakes. Yeah, really, right here in the high desert. You can read about them in [Albuquerque The Magazine](#). Here in Albuquerque, you can get backfin lump crabmeat (blue crabs) at Costco or Sam's.

These things are simple to make. My [recipe](#) is in the magazine. Don't even think about putting green chile in them. That's as bad as putting Old Bay Seasoning in a green chile cheeseburger.

## More Maryland Crabs in Albuquerque



**Jennifer James of [Jennifer James 101](#) created a dish of Chesapeake Bay Soft Shell Crabs as one of her special menu items for May 13-14, 2011. Excellent. Expect the unexpected here.**

**Nicole Villareal of [Nicky V's Neighborhood Pizzeria](#) has featured (as a weekend special) my crabcakes served atop Spinach Fettuccine Alfredo. This is not a textbook combination, but**

this kind of fusion is her signature, and the result is excellent.

It should come as no surprise that these two restaurants have earned places on my [Albuquerque Top Ten Restaurants List](#). If you like this kind of food, call them and beg for a repeat performance.

## More about Maryland Blue Crabs....

Straight from Bawmer, Queen City of the Patapsico Drainage Area, comes yet more straight dope about the Beautiful Swimmers. Check out these [Baltimore Sun](#) links.



Here is what I have done on Zomato

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