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# Clocks fall back one hour Nov. 2

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Each year, Daylight Saving Time (DST) starts on the second Sunday in March and ends on the first Sunday in November.

Daylight Saving Time is observed by majority of U.S. states, except for Hawaii and most of Arizona, with the exception of the Navajo Nation.

**When does Daylight Saving Time end? Here's when to change clocks**

This year in Louisiana, Daylight Saving Time will end on Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2 a.m. local time, resulting in clocks 'fall-

ing back' one hour. Since the time change takes place at 2 a.m., clocks are usually manually changed sometime on Saturday night before the time change actually takes place. Next year, Daylight Saving Time will recommence on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at 2 a.m. local time, resulting in clocks 'springing forward.'

**What is the point of Daylight Saving Time?**

The general idea behind Daylight Saving Time is for natural daylight to be utilized for efficiency. By moving clocks forward one hour in the spring, more daylight is granted for evenings in the summer, and moving clocks back one hour produces more daylight during



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mornings in the winter.  
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**Mike Lewis, owner of Big Mike's BBQ, surrounded by friends, family and employees, poses for a photo of the groundbreaking ceremony on his new 2,700 square foot restaurant in Houma on Sept. 30.**

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# Houma pitmaster breaks ground on new location

**Mike Lewis has been in restaurant industry for 31 years**

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Eighteen years in the making, one pitmaster's burning passion leads to the groundbreaking on a new 2,700-square-foot location.

Mike Lewis, owner of Big Mike's BBQ, began construction on his new Houma location Tuesday, Sept. 30, on LA 311, across the street from Houma Family Dentist. The restaurant will take about a



**Mike Lewis, owner of Big Mike's BBQ, announces the construction of a new 2,700 square foot location in Houma.**

## SOUTHERN LIVING

# The Joint named state's best barbecue

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Louisiana barbecue lovers have reason to celebrate: The Joint, a barbecue spot in New Orleans' Bywater neighborhood, has been recognized as the state's top barbecue restaurant in Southern Living's 2025 roundup of the South's best BBQ.

Known for its smoky, tender meats and inventive sides, The Joint has built a reputation for blending traditional barbecue techniques with modern flavors, the article said.

The restaurant's slow-smoked ribs, pulled pork and flavorful sausages have drawn crowds from across the region, earning praise from locals and visitors alike. But it's not just the meats that make the spot stand out — signature sides like jalapeño cheese grits, smoked baked beans, and tangy coleslaw elevate the meal into a true New Orleans experience.

Southern Living's annual list celebrates standout barbecue joints across the South, highlighting establishments that honor regional traditions while adding their own twist.

In Louisiana, a state already famous for its Cajun and Creole cuisine, The Joint has carved out a space for barbecue that captures the city's unique culinary spirit.

As Louisiana continues to gain national recognition for its culinary excellence, The Joint's accolade underscores the diversity and creativity of the state's food scene. For both barbecue aficionados and casual diners, the restaurant offers a flavorful reminder that some of the South's best barbecue can be found in the heart of New Orleans.

The Joint is at 701 Mazant St. in New Orleans. For more on the best barbecue spots in every state, visit Southern Living.

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