

FIVE GUYS®



OUR STORY

Five Guys is more than a fast-casual burger joint. Our story starts with family.

Five Guys came to life in 1986, when Jerry and Janie Murrell offered their three sons a choice: “Start a business or go to college.” The boys chose business, and a small carry-out burger joint was born in Arlington, Virginia.

Two more brothers joined the team as the family grew and so did the business. Four more restaurants were added to accommodate growing clientele, and in 2003, the brand exploded as the family began offering franchise opportunities.

The Five Guys name comes from the Murrell sons — Jim, Matt, Chad, Ben and Tyler.

Today, Five Guys is a fully-customizable experience, serving up the freshest, highest-quality burgers, hot dogs, fries and shakes. We’re closing in on 2,000 stores worldwide and have locations in more than 25 countries.

HISTORY

Five Guys opens first five DC area locations.
1998-2001

Five Guys Expands to rest of U.S.
2003

First store outside of North America opens in London.
2013

Five Guys opens in Paris, Madrid and Kuwait City.
2016

Five Guys surpasses 1,500 restaurants worldwide.
2018

Five Guys opens first store in South Korea.
2023



2002
Five guys begins franchising in DC, Virginia and Maryland.

2010
First Canadian location opens in Alberta.

2015
International expansion takes off with stores in UK, UAE, Saudi Arabia & Ireland.



2017
Eight countries, including Germany and Italy, welcome Five Guys. First store in Asia (Hong Kong) opens to fanfare.

2021
Five Guys lands in Australia. Company is named to Forbes Best Large Employers List for the first time.

2026
Five Guys turns 40 and closes in on 2,000 global restaurants.



If you can give a good haircut or if you can serve a good drink at a bar or if you can serve a good hamburger, you can always make money in America.”

Five Guys Founder Jerry Murrell, on his mother’s wise advice

FACTS

- Five Guys customers enjoy more than **300,000 peanuts** every week.
- We partner with **30 potato growers** to support our North America stores.
- Five Guys employees approximately **50,000 people**.
- Every Five Guys restaurant creates between **80-120 jobs**.



FIVE GUYS GAMES

Every two years, store employees across the globe face off in an Olympic-style competition that tests proficiency in three events: the cheese stack race, QC wrapping race and potato race. The winner takes home a \$100,000 grand prize.



WHAT WE'RE LISTENING TO

When you walk into a Five Guys, the music sets the vibe for the experience. That's why we hand-select the tunes that play in our stores. Roughly 210 songs are played every 12 hours in our locations.



165 MILLION
MADE ANNUALLY



TOPPINGS
COMBINATIONS
250,000+



NEARLY
2000
STORES
WORLDWIDE



AWARDS

Forbes

- America's Best Large Employers | 2026
- World's Best Employers | 2025

Newsweek

- America's Greatest Workplaces for Culture, Belonging & Community | 2026
- America's Greatest Workplaces for Women | 2026
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