

# MY MARYLAND STATE FAIR

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## **SAVOR MARYLAND'S FLAVORS IN THE MARYLAND FOODS PAVILION AT THE 2018 MY MARYLAND STATE FAIR PRESENTED BY TOYOTA**

### **Crabby Patty named one of "50 Best Fair Foods" by Food Network**

### **Plenish® Healthier Cooking Oil, made with Maryland-Grown Soybeans, to be Featured in Maryland Foods Pavilion**

TIMONIUM, MD – More Than A Fair, We're A Culture...FoodCULTURE! The Maryland State Fair Crabby Patty, a crab cake topped with a soft shell crab on a fresh bun, has been named one of "50 Best Fair Foods" by *Food Network*, <https://www.foodnetwork.com/.../p.../50-best-fair-foods-by-state>. The Crabby Patty is just one of many foods that will be featured in the Maryland Foods Pavilion during the **Friday, August 24 through Monday, September 3** run of the Maryland State Fair presented by Toyota.

The Maryland Foods Pavilion uses Pioneer® brand's Plenish® Soybean Oil to cook the Crabby Patty and other fair treats. Maryland farmers grow Plenish® soybeans, Perdue extracts the oil, and Performance Foodservice packages and will distribute the oil to the Maryland Foods Pavilion. "Plenish® Soybean Oil, a healthier cooking oil, has 0g trans fat, less saturated fat and the highest amount of heart-healthy monounsaturated fat available in soy," said Robbie Miller, Pioneer Seed Representative for Perdue Agribusiness. "We're pleased to showcase this locally grown product at the Maryland State Fair."

The Maryland Foods Pavilion will feature a variety of fair favorites, many fresh from Maryland farms and the Chesapeake Bay, including mouth-watering fried clams, catfish filet sandwiches, sweet corn-on-the-cob, fried green tomatoes and corn fritters, smoked ham, pork barbecue, charcoal grilled beef sandwiches, lamb wraps, turkey legs, roasted barbecue chicken, fresh fruit salad, fresh peach sundaes, and more.

Keep an eye out for daily cooking demonstrations, fresh popped kettle corn samples and other samples in the Maryland Foods Pavilion's display area where representatives from each area will showcase their products and give away recipes. Among them, Maryland Fruit & Vegetable Day on Wednesday, August 29; Maryland Lamb Day on Friday, August 31, Maryland Pork Day on Saturday, September 1 and more. In addition, the Brewers Association of Maryland will feature various Maryland micro-brews, Friday, August 25 -Sunday August 27 and Friday, September 1 – Monday, September 4. "The Maryland Foods Pavilion has been one of the greatest successes," said Chairman Stan Dabkowski. "Hundreds of people have told me that it is the main attraction that keeps them coming back to the Maryland State Fair. And, it is always their first stop for a great meal."

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**More Than A Fair, We’re A Culture! The 137th MY Maryland State Fair presented by Toyota is a fun and educational destination** complete with daily exhibits, presentations and entertainment sure to captivate visitors of all ages. No other event provides so much food, fun, family entertainment, and education for so little. The Maryland State Fair, located in Timonium in Baltimore County, starts with **M&T Bank presents Fox-45FAMFest Preview Night with Ridemania, on Thursday, August 23 from 5 PM – 9 PM in the State Fair Park. Midway rides, games and food areas open until 11 PM. Exhibit Halls, Barns, Midway Rides, Food, Games, and more open Friday, August 24 through Monday, September 3, 2018.** General Fair hours are Monday through Friday, Noon to 10 PM, Saturdays, Sundays, 10 AM – 10 PM and Labor Day Monday, 10 AM to 8 PM.

Hear live national and local entertainment during the M&T Bank Presents LIVE! OnTrack! Concert Series, featuring celebrated new Country artists **Chase Bryant** and **Chris Lane** on August 24; and, Rock band **Smash Mouth** on August 25; Legendary Classic Rockers **Jefferson Starship** on September 1; and, Country music sensation **Chris Janson** on September 2. Concerts begin at 7:30 PM, in the **LIVE! OnTrack!** Infield.

Enjoy **thrills & chills on the Midway** and **tame rides in Kiddie Land** play fun, **Fair games**, and taste a **feast of Fair and farm foods**, Monday-Thursday, 12 Noon-close and Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays & Labor Day, Monday, 10 AM–close.

Explore The 4-H/Home Arts, Farm & Garden Buildings, and The Exhibition Hall for thousands of the best-of-the-best of Maryland creations and exhibits, Monday – Friday, 12 Noon – 10 PM, Saturdays and Sundays, 10 AM – 10 PM, and Labor Day Monday 10 AM – 8 PM. The Mosner-Miller Museum/DNR Building closes daily at 8 PM.

See all kinds of **livestock and horses in the Cow Palace, Barns, Show Rings and Birthing Center**. Early risers are welcome to arrive early to attend the livestock and horse shows in the various livestock barns, buildings and show rings. Go to [www.marylandstatefair.com](http://www.marylandstatefair.com) for 4-H and Open Class Show schedules.

Experience **Live Thoroughbred Horse Racing**, Friday, August 24 – Sunday, August 26 and Friday, August 31 – Monday, September 3. Post Time: 1 PM. Also enjoy Simulcast Horse Racing daily in the Grandstand and OTB.

Participate in **agriculture education activities** at U-Learn Farm, U-Learn Food & Fiber, The Birthing Center, the Innovation Station, Horseland, Nature Play Space, and more at various times throughout the Fair.

**Admission to the Fair is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors (62 and older) and \$5 for children (6-11). Children five-years-old and younger are admitted free. Rides are individually priced. Limited parking on the Fairgrounds is available on a first-come, first-served basis for \$5.** Taking the **Light Rail** is recommended. **Uber and LYFT drop-off** and pick-up areas in the Deereco Road Park & Ride Lot. Visit [www.marylandstatefair.com](http://www.marylandstatefair.com).

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