

Kerry Boutte

In 1980, Kerry Boutte opened Mulate's, "The Original Cajun Restaurant", in a small building in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. His goal was to offer authentic live Cajun music while serving Cajun food - both with consistent quality. This recipe secured the fame that Mulate's acquired for preserving and celebrating the food, music and culture that could only be found in the small towns and along the bayous of South Louisiana.

All of the recipes on Mulate's menu found their roots in Boutte's mom's kitchen. Ida Boutte was a renowned Cajun cook from whom Kerry Boutte learned to appreciate good Cajun cooking.

Before opening Mulate's, Boutte set out to learn every aspect of the business. He aspired to offer the best, therefore he spent much time in the kitchen creating his own recipes, while also mastering some authentic Cajun classics.

Once opened, it took only months for Mulate's to grow and thrive. Boutte added the key element of a live Cajun band, which helped to launch a revival of Cajun music and bring Cajun Culture into the international spotlight. It was an advantageous idea that launched a movement. With musicians such as Zachary Richard and Michael Doucet, to "old-timers" like Hector Duhon and Octa Clark, offering authentic and traditional Cajun music, the seats stayed filled and the dance floor busy.

From the first few years Mulate's was a charming and unique experience for travelers. With word-of-mouth mention, as well as positive reviews from travel writers, Mulate's popularity grew, naming it the "Original Cajun Restaurant".