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Amy's Baking Company. Where are 'Kitchen Nightmares' stars now?



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It's been nearly a decade since [Amy's Baking Company](#) shut down in Scottsdale. And Gordon Ramsay [said he's still haunted](#) by Arizona restaurant.

Who could forget the owners, Amy and Salomon "Samy" Bouzaglo? They made headlines after appearing on an episode of "Kitchen Nightmares" that aired in May 2013 and continued to do so until they [closed their restaurant](#) in September 2015.

You may recall Samy allegedly [waving a knife](#) at customers and accusing Gordon Ramsay of sexual harassment, or Amy saying, "I speak feline MEOW!" and Samy yelling at a customer, "Here's your pizza, go (expletive) yourself!"

Since then, they have avoided being in the public eye, although Amy continues to bake.

While she wasn't responsive to media requests, at least The Arizona Republic's, we did a little digging and came up with answers to some of the questions you may be wondering.

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Where are Amy and Samy now?

According to Maricopa County records, Amy filed for divorce in April 2022. Samy's Facebook page states his status as single and living in Netanya, Israel. On August 29, 2021, Samy [posted](#) a photoshopped slide of Amy on Vogue with a rant that read: "It's the same girl Amy from Amy's baking comp she want to be a fake model like her pastries."

Amy continues to post baked goods on her Instagram. She did not respond to The Republic's attempts to reach her about where she is currently living.

Is Amy's Baking Company still in business?

Yes and no. The restaurant is closed; however, Amy has an account by the same name on Instagram, on which she calls herself "Baking Wizard" and "Content Creator." She posts photos and videos of her new glittery desserts for her over 30,000 followers. Her most recent [post](#) was dated August 3, 2024. A link to her [Amazon shop](#) lists products she uses in her baking along with other favorite items.

Comments on her posts range from startlingly vile to extremely supportive.

Why did Amy's Baking Company close?

According to [The Republic](#), the couple sold the property due to issues with the building's previous landlord. Amy said that the landlord allowed construction in parts of the shopping center and it "led to a sewer-like odor seeping into their restaurant." The shopping center was purchased by East Village at Shea LLC, a company formed by Bob Parsons' YAM Properties.

When did Amy's Baking Company close?

Amy's Baking Company closed in September 2015.

What season is Amy's Baking Company on 'Kitchen Nightmares'?

Amy's Baking Company appeared on Season 5, Episode 16 and Season 6, Episode 1 of "Kitchen Nightmares."

What happened to Amy's Baking Company?

After Amy's Baking Company closed, B&R Wine-Food occupied the space for a year but closed in December 2016. In March 2021, artist Rachel Ober opened Rachel's Young at Art Studio, which, according to her [website](#), is a safe space where children can grow socially and emotionally through art.

What are the accusations against Amy's Baking Company?

According to the show, the owners yelled expletives at and pushed customers, took the tips left for the servers and refused to accept criticism from Ramsay. The result? They became the first owners Ramsay quit on, explaining he couldn't help them because they were "incapable of listening." Samy was also accused of waving a knife at a customer; however, later he claimed it was a pen.

Why was Samy deported?

According to USA Today and 12 News, Samy's failure to [disclose that he had served time](#) for extortion and drug charges overseas led to a case against him by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. He was deported in 2018 and the couple moved to Netaniya, Israel. He had also been banned from France and Germany due to his history.

How to watch Amy's Baking Company on 'Kitchen Nightmares'

Watch the episode on streaming services including [Peacock TV](#), [Hulu](#) and [Amazon Prime Video](#).

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