

23 Cool and Classic Bowling Alleys Across America

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Ken-Cliff Lanes | Ardmore, Oklahoma

How does a bowling alley that opened in 2011 claim to represent "the golden age of bowling?" Well, this version of Ken-Cliff has a predecessor, one that began in 1958 when brothers Kenneth and Clifford Johnson opened a bowling alley in this south-central Oklahoma town. That alley closed in 1976 but was resurrected earlier this decade, still in the spirit of the original, with vintage equipment and design, which includes refurbished AMF 82-30 pinspotters, Magic Circle ball returns and telescores, Streamlane masks, and traditional wood lanes (with vibrant turquoise gutters). The owners like to say that "the good old days are still here" — but if your good 'ol bowling days included smoking and drinking, this is not the joint for you. Ken-Cliff is a smoke- and alcohol-free establishment.

