ATLanta: Foodie Capital of the American South

Affectionately crowned the "Capital City of the South," Atlanta has long been acknowledged for its post-Civil War rebirth, redefining itself as a global transportation hub, a world-class business community, and a cultural iconoclast via its Civil Rights Movement history and burgeoning arts scene. But this modern metropolis has only recently received recognition as a bona fide food destination. Those who visit seeking glorious fried chicken and traditional Southern fare will definitely get their fill, but Atlanta chefs are creating sleek, award-winning, internationally influenced restaurants that still hold tight to their Southern roots. Check the latest James Beard awards, *Michelin Guide*, or any prominent food media across the nation, and you will find that Atlanta has cemented itself as a serious culinary force.

Getting Around

The Hyatt Regency Atlanta sits within Atlanta's proper "Downtown" district, which is situated on three intersecting grids that are walkable and easily navigated. This grid connects with two additional high-rise districts, "Midtown" and "Buckhead," forming a north-south axis along Peachtree Road.

Atlanta's mass transit system, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), also follows this same north-south axis, making travel by train very convenient. The addition of MARTA's east-west axis, running parallel to Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and DeKalb Avenue, facilitates travel to more suburban districts. There are notations in the guide for transit-oriented eateries in these districts, boasting minimal walking distances from train to destination.

Useful Foodie Links

We chose to focus solely on locally owned venues with real-world reviewers, so this guide is far from comprehensive. You may find the links below useful in exploring additional dining options:

Atlanta magazine "Dining News" section	www.atlantamagazine.com/ dining-news/
Atlanta Convention and Visitor's Bureau "Where to Eat" guide	www.atlanta.net/dining/
Central Atlanta Progress Downtown "Dining" interactive map	www.atlantadowntown.com/ guide/dining
Atlanta Journal-Constitution "Food & Dining" section	www.myajc.com/food/
Eater Guide: Atlanta	www.atlanta.eater.com
The Thrillist: Atlanta	www.thrillist.com/eat/atlanta

DOWNTOWN

Agatha's A Taste of Mystery

www.agathas.com Murder Mystery Dinner \$\$ 60 Andrew Young International Boulevard 161 Peachtree Center Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.3 miles Walk Time: 6 minutes Business Casual For almost thirty years, Agatha's has been providing Atlanta with a unique dinner theatre experience unlike any other. Help solve a live murder mystery over a five-course meal, but this isn't about the passable American fare they serve-it's about the experience.

Alma Cocina

www.alma-atlanta.com Contemporary Mexican \$\$ 191 Peachtree Street NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.2 mile Walk Time: 4 minutes Casual/Upscale Traditional Mexican and Latin American flavors with a contemporary twist. Exciting cocktail menu.

Herban Fix

www.herbanfix.com Vegan/Vegetarian Asian-Fusion Style \$\$ 565-A Peachtree Street NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 0.6 miles Walk Time: 14 minutes Ride Time: 3 minutes Casual Pan-Asian dishes using strictly vegan, plantbased ingredients served in open, contemporary digs.

Max Lager's Wood-Fired Grill & Brewery

www.maxlagers.com American \$\$ 320 Peachtree Street NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 0.1 miles Walk Time: 3 minutes Casual Independent establishment serving American favorites and wood-fired meats and pizzas. Handcrafted beers on tap with a thoughtful wine selection.

My Fair Sweets

www.myfairsweet.com Desserts and Small Bites \$ 231 Mitchell Street SW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 1.4 miles Ride Time: 8 minutes

Casual

Super-cute boutique bakery famous for its over-the-top desserts and pastries you will have to see to believe. You do not want to miss their gourmet cakes and milkshakes so stuffed with goodies, it is recommended that you bring a friend to share with.

Pitty Pat's Porch

www.pittypatsrestaurant.com Southern Dining \$\$ 25 Andrew Young International Boulevard NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.3 miles Walk Time: 5 minutes Casual An Atlanta dining tradition since 1967, serving authentic, traditional Southern fare in an equally authentic setting. Made-from-scratch meals paired with excellent service.

Ray's in the City

www.raysrestaurants.com/raysinthecity/home Seafood and Steakhouse \$\$\$ 240 Peachtree Street NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 500 feet Walk Time: 2 minutes Upscale Elegant downtown setting that prides itself on fresh seafood offerings. Also traditional steakhouse offerings with extensive wine selection. Live jazz Thursday-Saturday. Local chain with three unique locations.

Thrive

www.thriveatl.com American Fusion \$\$ 101 Marietta Street NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.6 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Casual/Lounge Sleek and modern downtown location serving contemporary American food fused with a variety of flavors, from Island to Asian. Bar and lounge very lively in the evenings and on weekends

Truva

www.facebook.com/Truva-200299476824/ Turkish/Mediterranean \$\$ 60 Andrew Young International Boulevard NE Atlanta. GA 30312 Distance: 0.2 minutes Walk Time: 5 minutes Casual/ Business Casual Lively spot with a uniquely tailored Turkish-style dining room, complete with Kasbah-like lounge and retro-modern motifs. Authentic Turkish cuisine with music and belly dancers nightly.

White Oak Kitchen

www.whiteoakkitchen.com Contemporary American \$\$\$ 270 Peachtree Street NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 150 ft. Walk Time: 1 minute (literally across the street) Casual/Business Casual Classic American fare with some Southern influences, in a bright open-air dining room. All your favorites are here, as well as a thoughtful cocktail menu. Great for groups.

EDGEWOOD/SWEET AUBURN

BQE Restaurant and Lounge

www.bqelounge.com Southern Comfort \$\$ 262 Edgewood Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 1.2 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual/Lounge Self-described as "soul food amplified," serving up Southern fare in an eclectic but welcoming environment. Live music most nights, with a lively bar/lounge area. New York-themed décor and menus.

Café Circa

www.cafecircaatlanta.com Caribbean Fusion \$\$ 464 Edgewood Avenue SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual Chic This dinner-only spot is always full and lively, with a popular bar and roof-top lounge typically hosting some form of live music. The menu features an eclectic mix of Latin and island flavors.

Condesa Coffee

www.condesacoffee.com Coffee Shop/Café \$ 145 Auburn Avenue, Suite A Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.7 miles Walk Time: 14 minutes Ride Time: 4 minutes Casual

Modern shop in a beautiful historic setting, serving some of the best coffee in the city. Also offers a rotating menu of organic, locally sourced small plates, craft beers, and handcrafted cocktails. All of their suppliers are focused on ethical and sustainable goods. Second location in Old Fourth Ward.

Edgewood Ave Pizza

www.edgewoodpizzao4w.com Pizzeria \$ 478 Edgewood Avenue SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time: 6 minutes Casual Standard pizzeria serving up some of the best New York-style pies in the city. Expect standard pizzeria menu items like salads and other little bites. Small, but well-stocked bar. Open late.

Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar

www.haroldschickenatl.com Sports Bar \$ 349 Edgewood Avenue SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual Nationally famous as the best chicken in Chicago, Harold's has branched out to Atlanta with this Edgewood location. The menu has standard pub snacks and a simple collection of fried fish dinners, but if you make the trip there, you are going for the fried chicken.

Hungry Ghost

www.hungryghostatl.com Vietnamese \$ 345 Edgewood Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 1.2 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual Small, no frills spot serving authentic Vietnamese, food with a twist. Expect standards like *banh mi* sandwiches and dumplings, but also fun fusion dishes like ghost pepper burritos and chicken and beignets (their version of chicken and waffles).

Mangos Caribbean Restaurant

www.mangoscaribbeanrestaurant.com Caribbean \$ 180 Auburn Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.8 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual Authentic island fare, with traditional Caribbean favorites like jerk chicken and curry goat. Casual

favorites like jerk chicken and curry goat. Casual and comfortable environment with island décor.

Noni's Deli

www.nonisdeli.com Italian \$\$ 357 Edgewood Avenue SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 1.2 miles Ride Time: 6 minutes Casual Traditional Italian trattoria–style spot with a fun menu full of all types of antipasti, Italian sandwiches, and classic pasta selections. Amazing bar with creative cocktails. Very lively on nights and weekends, as the younger crowd comes in.

Sisters of the New South

www.thesistersofthenewsouth.com Soul Food/Southern \$ 27 Piedmont Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.8 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual Small café serving up traditional soul food, cafeteria style. Seating is minimal with simple décor. Good for a quick bite.

Sweet Auburn Seafood

www.sweetauburnseafood.com Southern-Style Seafood \$\$ 171 Auburn Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 0.8 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual Chic Comfortable eatery with decent selection of seafood entrees. Also serving tapas-style small plates and unique cocktails. Lounge atmosphere at night, with live music on select nights.

MIDTOWN

Bon Ton

www.bontonatl.com Creole/Asian Seafood \$\$ 674 Myrtle Street NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 1.1 miles Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual Possibly the most eclectic, tasty menu in Atlanta. Mix Hanoi with New Orleans, and you have Bon Ton. The offerings are seafood heavy with a few sides and sandwiches.

Café Intermezzo

www.cafeintermezzo.com European Style Coffeehouse \$\$ 1065 Peachtree St NW Atlanta, GA 30303 Distance: 2 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual/Business Casual True European-style coffeehouse unlike anything in the city. Elegant setting with a beautiful selection of small plates and full entrees, and a beverage list the size of a small novel.

Flying Biscuit Café

www.theflyingbiscuitcafe.com Southern Breakfast (all day) \$ 1001 Piedmont Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30309 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Take MARTA: 700 yards east of Midtown Station Casual All your breakfast favorites are here, crowned by their made-from-scratch biscuits with an odd shape that looks like...well...like they are trying to fly.

Mary Mac's Tea Room

www.marymacs.com Southern \$ 224 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 1.1 miles Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual Since 1945, Mary Mac's has been "Atlanta's Dining Table," serving up all the Southern favorites you would expect from the capital city of the South.

Negril Village Atlanta

www.negrilvillageatl.com Jamaican \$\$ 30 North Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 0.8 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Ride Time: 4 minutes Take MARTA: 1,500 feet east of North Avenue Station Business Casual/Lounge The only upscale island dining in the city, Negril adds an elegant flair to Jamaican cuisine in a beautifully restored 1907 Firehouse. Live music and a vibrant bar scene on weekends.

Papi's Cuban & Caribbean Grill

www.papisgrill.com Cuban \$ 216 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 1.1 miles Ride Time: 4 minutes Casual Before Cuban sanctions were lifted, Papi's was the Atlanta connection to the taste of the island. The entire menu is amazing, but make sure to save room for a Cuban coffee at the end.

Poor Calvin's

www.poorcalvins.com Asian Fusion \$ 510 Piedmont Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 0.7 miles Walking: 15 minutes Ride Time: 5 minutes Casual/Business Casual Asian fusion at its best, with small plate options and reasonable entrée prices. Great cocktails and a nice wine list.

South City Kitchen

www.southcitykitchen.com Sophisticated Southern Cuisine \$\$\$ 1144 Crescent Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30309 Distance: 2 miles Ride Time: 10 minutes Fine Dining Award-winning, upscale Southern cuisine in a converted, historic bungalow. Its popularity has allowed the creation of two new locations, but this is the original.

Two Urban Licks

www.twourbanlicks.com Contemporary American Grill \$\$\$ 820 Ralph McGill Boulevard NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 1.7 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Business Casual/Lounge A beautiful, wood-fired grill and the largest ontap wine barrel in the country are the center of this upscale grill. Great views of Piedmont Park and the city from its balcony.

The Varsity

www.thevarsity.com Burgers and Fries \$ 61 North Avenue NW Atlanta, GA 30308 Distance: 0.8 miles Walk Time: 15 minutes Ride Time: 4 minutes Take MARTA: 1,000 yards west of North Avenue Station Casual Atlanta's favorite greasy spoon, the Varsity serves up burgers and hot dogs and all things fried—including the best fried apple you've ever had. And you can add the house-made chili to

WEST MIDTOWN

Barcelona

www.barcelonawinebar.com Wine Bar \$\$ 1085 Howell Mill Road NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.5 miles Ride Time: 10 minutes Business Casual/Chic Traditional wine bar serving small plates influenced by traditional Mediterranean and Spanish cuisine. Beautiful, open space with great patio.

BarTaco

www.bartaco.com Tacos (Mexican) \$ 969 Marietta Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual/Chic Most creative taco menu in the city, with fabulous drink options. Patio is perfect for people watching.

Cooks and Soldiers

www.cooksandsoldiers.com Spanish Grill \$\$ 691 14th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.8 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes

Business Casual/Chic

The centerpiece of this tribute to the Basque Country lifestyles of Europe is a coal-fired grill that fire-roasts all their small plates and entrees.

Donetto

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www.donettoatlanta.com Tuscan \$\$\$ 976 Brady Avenue NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.3 miles Ride Time: 10 minutes Fine Dining/Upscale Italian charm meets industrial chic in this urban take on Tuscan cuisine. Definitely for the meat and pasta lovers, with amazing Italian beverages of all sorts.

JCT Kitchen

www.jctkitchen.com Contemporary Southern \$\$ 1198 Howell Mill Road Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.6 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual Contemporary but cozy space serving innovative takes on traditional Southern food. Arrive early and enjoy the amazing drinks and their separate bar above, with views of the city.

Le Fat

www.lefatatl.com Vietnamese Brasserie \$\$ 935 Marietta Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 1.9 miles Ride Time: 8 minutes Casual/Business Casual Bold flavors in a quirky but classic setting, this is Vietnamese comfort food. Great for groups, as there are family-style options.

Little Trouble

www.little-trouble.com Asian Street Food \$ 1170 Howell Mill Road Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.6 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual/Chic Bright neon lights and futuristic digs make this underground spot in Atlanta feel like Tokyo. Creative menu with great drinks and interpretations of street food you will not find anywhere else.

Marcel

www.marcelatl.com Steakhouse \$\$\$ 1170 Howell Mill Road Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.6 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Business Casual/Fine Dining Beautiful throwback to steakhouses of old, with unbeatable service. Offers only premium meats and ethically sourced ingredients. Very pricey. Avoid breaking the bank by dining on the "late night" menu.

Miller Union

www.millerunion.com Contemporary American \$\$\$ 999 Brady Avenue NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.3 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Business Casual/Chic Award winning eatery where the locally sourced and farm-fresh ingredients are the star of every dish.

The Optimist

www.theoptimistrestaurant.com Seafood \$\$\$ 914 Howell Mill Road Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.1 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Business Casual Fine dining in an elegant version of a country dining room. Very fresh seafood in simple but interesting preparations. Top notch service.

CASTLEBERRY HILLS

255 Tapas Lounge

www.255tapaslounge.com American/Asian Fusion \$ 255 Peters Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Casual/Chic Cool urban spot to grab small plates and bar snacks while lounging at the bar.

Art Café

www.artcafeethiopiankitchen.com Ethiopian \$ 264 Peters Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.6 miles Ride Time:9 minutes Casual/Chic Intimate space serving authentic Ethiopian dishes, as well as contemporary takes on traditional preparations and presentations. Eat family-style, as true Ethiopian cuisine should be done. or dine via entrees.

Dat Fire Jerk

www.datfirejerkchicken.com Jamaican \$ 226 Northside Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.4 miles Ride Time: 6 minutes Casual The restaurant is basically a shack with some benches outside. But this shack's small parking lot stays packed because it serves some of the best jerk you've ever had.

Escobar

www.escobaratlanta.com Contemporary American \$\$ 327 Peters Street SW Atlanta, GA 303113 Distance: 1.7 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Casual/Chic The over-the-top, gilded theme that prevails inside this modern space reflects its extravagant

owner, hip-hop artist 2 Chainz. The menu is exciting, and the scene is always lively.

No Mas! Cantina

www.nomascantina.com Mexican \$\$ 180 Walker Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.4 miles Ride Time: 8 minutes Casual Lively atmosphere for authentic Mexican and great cocktails, in a huge space filled with Mexican décor and furniture–all of which can be purchased via their large gift shop next door.

Old Lady Gang

www.oldladygang.com Soul Food \$\$ 177 Peters Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.5 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Casual/Chic R&B diva Kandi Burruss-Tucker is the owner of this tribute to her mother and aunts, and the menu is pure soul food from their own recipes.

Paschal's

www.paschalsatlanta.com Soul Food (upscale) \$\$ 180 Northside Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.5 miles Ride Time: 10 minutes Business Casual/Fine Dining Upscale rebirth of the historic Paschal's restaurant, which was known as the birthplace of the modern Civil Rights Movement. In contention with Busy Bee as the best fried chicken in Atlanta.

The Smoke Ring

www.smokeringatlanta.com Barbeque \$ 309 Nelson Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.4 miles Ride Time: 8 minutes Casual In a city full of barbeque joints that have closed just as fast as they have opened, Smoke Ring ha

just as fast as they have opened, Smoke Ring has been going strong for five years. The husband and wife duo who run the place are proud of their quality smoked meats and Southern sides.

The Spinning Pie

www.thespinningpiemenu.com Pizzeria \$ 259 Peters Street SW Atlanta, GA 30313 Distance: 1.7 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Casual Standard, straightforward pizzeria offering up pizza by the slice or by the pie. Build your own or order one of their specialty combinations.

WESTSIDE/HISTORIC WEST END

Busy Bee Café

www.thebusybeecafe.com Soul Food \$\$ 810 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30314 Distance: 2 miles Ride Time: 10 minutes Causal Cafeteria An Atlanta institution as it relates to soul food and arguably home of the best fried chicken in the city.

Greens and Gravy

www.facebook.com/greensandgravy \$\$ Contemporary Soul Food 1540 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 5 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Casual/Chic Celebrity Chef Darius Williams brings his take on soul food to the Westside Beltline with his

on soul food to the Westside Beltline with his first restaurant. Intimate, unpretentious dining, mixing fine china and the occasional mason jar– the restaurant is getting rave reviews. You will definitely need a reservation.

Healthful Essence

www.healthfullessence.com Vegan/Vegetarian (Caribbean) \$ 875 York Avenue SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 2.7 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Casual/Cafeteria-style Whether you are raw, vegan, or vegetarian, you will find something that pleases. Serving a rotating menu of healthy dishes with an island flavor. Limited seating.

Lean Draft House

www.facebook.com/leandrafthouse Taqueria \$ 600 Hopkins Street SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 4.7 miles Ride Time: 16 minutes Casual The first eatery to pop-up on the Wes

The first eatery to pop-up on the Westside section of the nationally recognized Beltline project, this taco joint proudly offers twenty strictly local craft beers on tap. Ohh, and the dining room just happens to be filled with the owner's sweet motorcycle collection.

LiveEdge

www.liveedgeatl.com International/Fusion \$\$ 792 Cascade Avenue SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 5.3 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Casual/Chic/Lounge Global tapas and cocktails served in a sleek, lounge setting also featuring regular live music from local and national acts. Full cigar bar and lounge in the rear.

Monday Night Garage

www.mondaynightbrewing.com Brewery \$ 933 Lee Street SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 3.2 miles Ride Time: 13 minutes Casual The latest of many breweries that have exploded onto the Atlanta food scene. Although there are food pop-ups occasionally, this is a beer-only spot.

Mr. Everything

www.mreverythingcafe.com Deli/Grill \$ 870 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30314 Distance: 2.5 miles Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual Once famous amongst the college crowd for their overstuffed subs and sandwiches filled with all sorts of toppings, Mr. Everything now truly does offer a bit of everything: including rice

bowls, veggie stir-fry, and excellent burgers.

Soul Vegetarian

www.soulvegetarian2.com Vegan/Vegetarian, Southern Style \$\$ 879 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 2.6 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Casual Cafeteria Strictly vegan/vegetarian fare with a Southern flair. Part of small global chain of Hebrew-Israelite cafeterias.

Tassili's Raw Reality

www.tassilisrawreality.com Raw/Vegan \$\$ 1059 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard SW Atlanta, GA 30310 Distance: 3 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Take Out/Casual Unique variety of completely raw vegan dishes. Famous for the owner's kale wraps and salads. Old converted two-story that is a bit of a dive, with minimal seating.

ATLANTIC STATION/HOME PARK

Better Half

www.betterhalfatl.com \$\$\$ New American 349 14th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 3 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual/Chic

What began as a husband and wife supper club grew into a dedicated brick and mortar with one of the most personal, unique dining experiences you will encounter anywhere. This team loves the art of food, and you will see it in everything they do.

Land of a Thousand Hills

www.landofathousandhills.com \$ Coffeehouse 232 19th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30363 Distance: 2.7 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual Eco-friendly, ethically responsible coffeehouse that boasts only premium, single-origin coffee beans. Proceeds support farming communities and support initiatives. Elegant and comfortable setting.

Meehan's Public House

www.meehanspublichouse.com \$ Irish Pub 232 19th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30363 Distance: 2.7 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual A chain of Atlanta-only authentic Irish eateries that offers a full menu of classic Irish dishes with a gourmet twist. Substantial vegetarian options.

Nan

www.nanfinedining.com \$\$\$ Thai/Upscale 1350 Spring Street NW Atlanta, GA 30309 Distance: 2.3 miles Ride Time: 5 minutes Business Casual/Upscale Thai fine dining, in an exceptional setting, with impeccable service. Elegant preparations of all the traditional Thai flavors.

The Pig and the Pearl

www.thepigandthepearl.com \$ Smokehouse/Southern 1380 Atlantic Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30063 Distance: 2.8 miles Ride Time: 7 minutes Casual/Chic A more stylish take on the standard smokehouse. Elegant interior with lively patio. Amazing smoked meats, well-stocked raw bar, and nice collection of craft beers and craft cocktails.

Silver Skillet

www.thesilverskillet.com \$ Southern Diner 200 14th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 2.5 miles Ride Time: 9 minutes Casual Proper Southern diner that has remained unchanged since 1956. If you know what the terms "country link" and "red-eye gravy" mean, this is your place. Breakfast and lunch only.

Wa-Ga-Ya

www.wagaya.us \$ Japanese 339 14th Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318 Distance: 1.2 miles Ride Time: 4 minutes Casual In a coa of Asian (Acian

In a sea of Asian/Asian-influenced restaurants in Atlanta, this eatery maintains its following through traditional flavors and traditions, without taking itself too seriously. Fun, unassuming Japanese.

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Brush Sushi Izakaya

www.brushatl.com \$ Japanese/Sushi 316 Church Street Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.4 miles Ride Time: 17 minutes Take MARTA: 350 yards north of Decatur Station

Cakes and Ale

www.cakesandalerestaurant.com/details \$\$ American 155 Sycamore Street Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.4 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Take MARTA: 400 feet north of Decatur Station Business Casual/Chic Beautifully prepared farm-to-table meals in an equally elegant dining room. Exceptional service. An attached dessert and wine bar can act as an extension of your meal or be a separate visit.

Chai Pani

www.chaipanidecatur.com \$ Indian 406 West Ponce de Leon Avenue Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 5.9 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Take MARTA: 800 yards north of Decatur Station Casual Indian street snacks, platters, lassis, and draft beers in a casual, colorful space with a hip vibe. This spot makes multiple "best of" lists every year.

The Iberian Pig

www.theiberianpigatl.com \$\$ Spanish 121 Sycamore Street Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.4 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Casual/Business Casual One of the most unique tapas/dining experiences that Atlanta has to offer, boasting the largest selection of imported cheeses and cured meats in the entire country. Yes, they take their pork very seriously. Amazing Spanish and South American wine selections.

Kimball House

www.kimball-house.com \$\$\$ Contemporary American 303 East Howard Avenue Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.5 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Take MARTA: 500 yards north of Decatur Station Business Casual/Upscale Upscale American offerings with some French influences, served in a historic railroad station turned elegant dining room. Extensive raw bar and creative cocktails.

Leon's Full Service

www.leonsfullservice.com \$\$ Contemporary American 131 East Ponce de Leon Avenue Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.7 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Casual/Business Casual Take MARTA: 400 feet north of Decatur Station New American flavors in a modernized old gas station. Great patio and one of the best bars in Atlanta. Just don't ask for vodka. Bocce court on the side bonus.

No. 246

www.no246.com \$\$ Italian 129 East Ponce de Leon Avenue Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.7 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Take MARTA: 500 feet north of Decatur Station Casual/Business Casual Bright and airy, contemporary digs serving fresh takes on traditional Italian recipes. Great pizzas and a truly impressive wine list.

Revival

www.revivaldecatur.com \$\$ Contemporary Southern 129 Church Street Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 6.4 miles Ride Time: 17 minutes Take MARTA: 500 yards north of Decatur Station Rustic farmhouse vibes meet an eclectic Southern menu in this Decatur staple. The option of a family-style menu makes this a great choice for groups.

Southern Sweets

www.southernsweets.com \$ Bakery and Café/Vegan Bakery 186 Rio Circle Decatur, GA 30030 Distance: 8 miles Ride Time: 20 minutes Casual Southern Sweets is the baker that supplies most of the city's restaurants with desserts, traditional and vegan, so...you KNOW they are good. Warehouse setting with a small seating area. Glass cases full of glorious desserts. They also do awesome breakfasts and lunches.

Sushi Avenue

www.sushiavenuedecatur.com \$ Sushi Bar 131 Sycamore Street Decatur. GA 30030

Distance: 6.4 miles Ride Time: 18 minutes Casual

Take MARTA: 400 feet north of Decatur Station Typical sushi bar setup, with chef and bar at the forefront. Traditional Japanese fare and well executed rolls at a reasonable price.

Alon's Bakery

www.alons.com \$\$ Bakery, Sandwich Shop, and Market 1394 North Highland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3.8 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Casual Since 1992, this chef-owned restaurant and bakery has been an Atlanta staple serving high-quality, made-from-scratch baked goods, sandwiches, and more. Seating is limited.

Bread and Butterfly

www.bread-and-butterfly.com \$\$ French Bistro 290 Elizabeth Street NE Atlanta, GA 30307 Distance: 2 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual/Chic Whimsical all-day cafe and bistro serving seasonal, European-inspired fare made with local ingredients. Beautiful intimate setting with menus that change weekly.

DBA Barbeque

www.dbabarbecue.com \$ Barbeque 1190 North Highland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3.4 Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual Hickory smoked, certified angus beef barbeque heaven in the Highlands. Fully stocked bar and a comfortable atmosphere tops off this homey eatery.

El Taco

www.eltaco-atlanta.com \$ Mexican/Tex-Mex 1185 North Highland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3.3 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual Vibrant, fun take on Tex-Mex at the local taqueria. Great housemade sauces, fun combinations, and a great set of margaritas equal a fun night out.

La Tavola

www.latavolatrattoria.com \$\$ Italian 992 Virginia Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3 miles Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual/Business Casual Traditional neighborhood trattoria, serving wellprepared Italian staples and seasonal specials, perfectly paired with their thoughtful wine list.

Mali

www.malirestaurant.com \$\$ Thai and Sushi 961 Amsterdam Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3.4 miles Ride Time: 14 minutes Casual/Business Casual Simple and elegant décor, serving up standard Thai and sushi offerings.

MF Sushi

www.mfsushiusa.com \$\$\$\$ Sushi/Japanese 299 North Highland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30307 Distance: 1.9 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Upscale/Fine Dining Atlanta's premier sushi experience in a sleek, elegant décor. Superior fish for the sushi is flown in four days a week from Japan, and the chefs are masters at their craft.

Sweet Auburn BBQ

www.sweetauburnbbq.com \$ Barbeque 656 North Highland Avenue Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 2.8 miles Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual Classic, slow smoked meats and traditional Southern sides in an unpretentious, contemporary setting. (Second location in Curb Market.)

Tipple and Rose Tea Parlor and Apothecary

www.tippleandrose.com \$ Tea House 806 North Highland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Distance: 3.3 miles Ride Time: 14 minutes Casual/Chic Beautifully appointed tea shop with a carefully curated selection of loose leaf teas, gourmet sandwiches and small bites, bulks spices, and

various sundries. Proper dress and reservations

recommended for "high-tea."

Victory Sandwich Bar

www.vicsandwich.com \$ Sandwich Shop 913 Bermina Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30307 Distance: 2.2 miles Ride Time: 11 minutes Casual Playful theme with serious sandwiches. Their creations seem to derive their influences from international cuisines, and you will love the "spiked" soda pops.

EAST ATLANTA

Agave

www.agaverestaurant.com \$\$ Southwestern 242 Boulevard SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 2.1 miles Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual/Chic Agave's flavors are a pure mix of Native American and Mediterranean influences. The owner and head chef insists on key ingredients, such as hatch green chilies, in their dishes being received weekly from his native New Mexico, making the fare truly authentic.

Carroll Street Café

www.carrollstreetcabbagetown.com \$ American/Mediterranean Fusion

208 Carroll Street SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 2.3 Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual Romantically bohemian café serving simple but beautiful American small plates with a Mediterranean twist. Thoughtful wine list and cocktails.

Dulce Vegan

www.dulcevegan.com \$ Vegan Bakery and Café 1994 Hosea Williams Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30317 Distance: 5 miles Ride Time: 20 minutes Casual Cute café serving completely vegan baked

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Golden Eagle

www.goldeneagleatl.com \$\$ American 904 Memorial Drive SE Atlanta, GA 30316 Distance: 2.6 miles Ride Time: 16 minutes Business Casual Intimate, upscale American dining with classic dishes and modern cocktails in a moody, midcentury atmosphere.

Grant Park Market

www.grantparkmarket.net Deli Shop \$ 519 Memorial Drive Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 2.3 miles Ride Time: 12 minutes Casual In one of the city's swankiest grocery stores is an equally swank deli serving gourmet soups, salads, and sandwiches. Take note that the market sits between a historical cemetery and one of the city's largest public parks, from which it took its name.

Home Grown

www.homegrownga.com \$ Southern Diner 978 Memorial Drive SE Atlanta, GA 30316 Distance: 3 miles Ride Time: 15 minutes Casual Down-home country breakfast and lunch from fresh, locally sourced ingredients, in a completely unpretentious setting.

Le Petit Marche

www.lepetitmarche.net \$ Breakfast and Sandwiches 1984 Hosea L. Williams Drive Atlanta, GA 30317 Distance: 6 miles Gourmet market and cafe. Try the croquettes.

Muchacho

www.muchachoatl.com Taqueria \$ 904 Memorial Drive SE Atlanta, GA 30316 Distance: 2.9 Miles Ride Time: 14 minutes Casual Tacos and grains and rice bowls and poke and fancy toast and signature coffees...with a funky California vibe.

Petit Chou

www.petitchouatl.com French Café \$ 662 Memorial Drive SE Atlanta, GA 30312 Distance: 2.3 miles Ride Time: 13 minutes Casual Beautifully crafted breakfast and lunch options in what the creators call "French: Southern style." All items locally sourced and served in a space built entirely of repurposed materials.

The Shed at Glenwood

www.theshedatglenwood.com \$\$ Contemporary American 475 Bill Kennedy Way SE Atlanta, GA 30316 Distance: 3 miles Ride Time: 17 minutes Casual/Chic Open, industrial space offering creative New American small plates, entrees, and cocktails, with a focus on seasonal eating.

FOOD HALLS

Atlanta is starting to embrace the traditional European concept of "Food Halls" as we continue to grow into a "foodie" destination. While some locations like Peachtree Center have reflected a sort of food hall vibe for years, newcomers have put together an amazing mix of tenants to create truly destination-worthy dining. Below are five of the larger, more noteworthy ones in reasonable proximity of the Hyatt Regency Atlanta.

The Food Hall at Ponce City Market

www.poncecitymarket.com/food-hall 27 unique food and drink experiences.

Harry's Caravaca Market

www.caravacamarket.com 6,000-square-foot food hall designed after markets in Spain (its namesake is the eastern Spain town of Caravaca de la Cruz).

The Hub at Peachtree Center

www.peachtreecenter.com/dine-shop 30+ fast-food and market-style eateries over 3 floors.

The Krog Street Market

www.krogstreetmarket.com 13 market-style and sit-down eateries.

Sweet Auburn Curb Market

www.thecurbmarket.com Historic municipal market mixing traditional market stalls with food hall-style eateries. Over 30 options for food and drink.

FOOD TRUCKS

Although the "Food Truck" movement has been alive and well across the United States for a while now, Atlanta was a bit slow to embrace the concept. But that hasn't stopped food trucks and their supporters from creating safe, affordable access to some of the best street food in the country. These award-winning mobile kitchens are taking the city by storm.

Atlanta Food Truck Park & Market

www.atlantafoodtruckpark.com You will not find a better place to sample this fare-on-wheels.

BREWERIES

For the past five years, craft beer production has witnessed an explosion of growth across the country, and Atlanta has definitely enjoyed its fair share of that success. With over two dozen breweries in the city, and new ones popping up every other month, you are in the right spot if you like a good microbrew. It is only natural that the capital city of Georgia has a quality offering of breweries, because our own President Jimmy Carter deregulated the brewing industry back in 1978.

5 Seasons Brewing Company

www.5seasonsbrewing.com 1000 Marietta Street NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Arches Brewing

www.archesbrewing.com 3361 Dogwood Drive Hapeville, GA 30354

BlueTarp Brewing

www.bluetarpbrew.com 731 East College Avenue Decatur, GA 30030

Eventide Brewing

www.eventidebrewing.com 1015 Grant Street SE Atlanta, GA 30315

Gordon Biersch

www.gordonbiersch.com 3242 Peachtree Road NE Buckhead, Atlanta, GA 30305

Max Lager's Wood-Fired Grill & Brewery

www.maxlagers.com 320 Peachtree Street NE Atlanta, GA 30308

Monday Night Brewing

www.mondaynightbrewing.com 670 Trabert Avenue NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Orpheus Brewing

www.orpheusbrewing.com 1440 Dutch Valley Place NE Atlanta, GA 30324

Red Brick Brewing Company

www.redbrickbrewing.com 2323 Defoor Hills Road NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Scofflaw Brewing Company

www.scofflawbeer.com 1738 MacArthur Boulevard NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Second Self

www.secondselfbeer.com 1317 Logan Circle NW Atlanta, GA 30318

Slice & Pint

www.sliceandpint.info 1593 North Decatur Rd Atlanta, GA 30307

SweetWater Brewing Company

www.sweetwaterbrew.com 195 Ottley Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30324

Three Taverns Craft Brewery

www.threetavernsbrewery.com 121 New Street Decatur, GA 30030

Torched Hop Brewing www.torchedhopbrewing.com

www.torchedhopbrewing.com 249 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30308

Twains Billiards and Tap

www.twains.net 211 East Trinity Place Decatur, GA 30030

Wild Heaven Craft Beers

www.wildheavenbeer.com 135B Maple Street Decatur, GA 30030

Wrecking Bar Brewpub www.wreckingbarbrewpub.com

www.wreckingbarbrewpub.com 292 Moreland Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30307



