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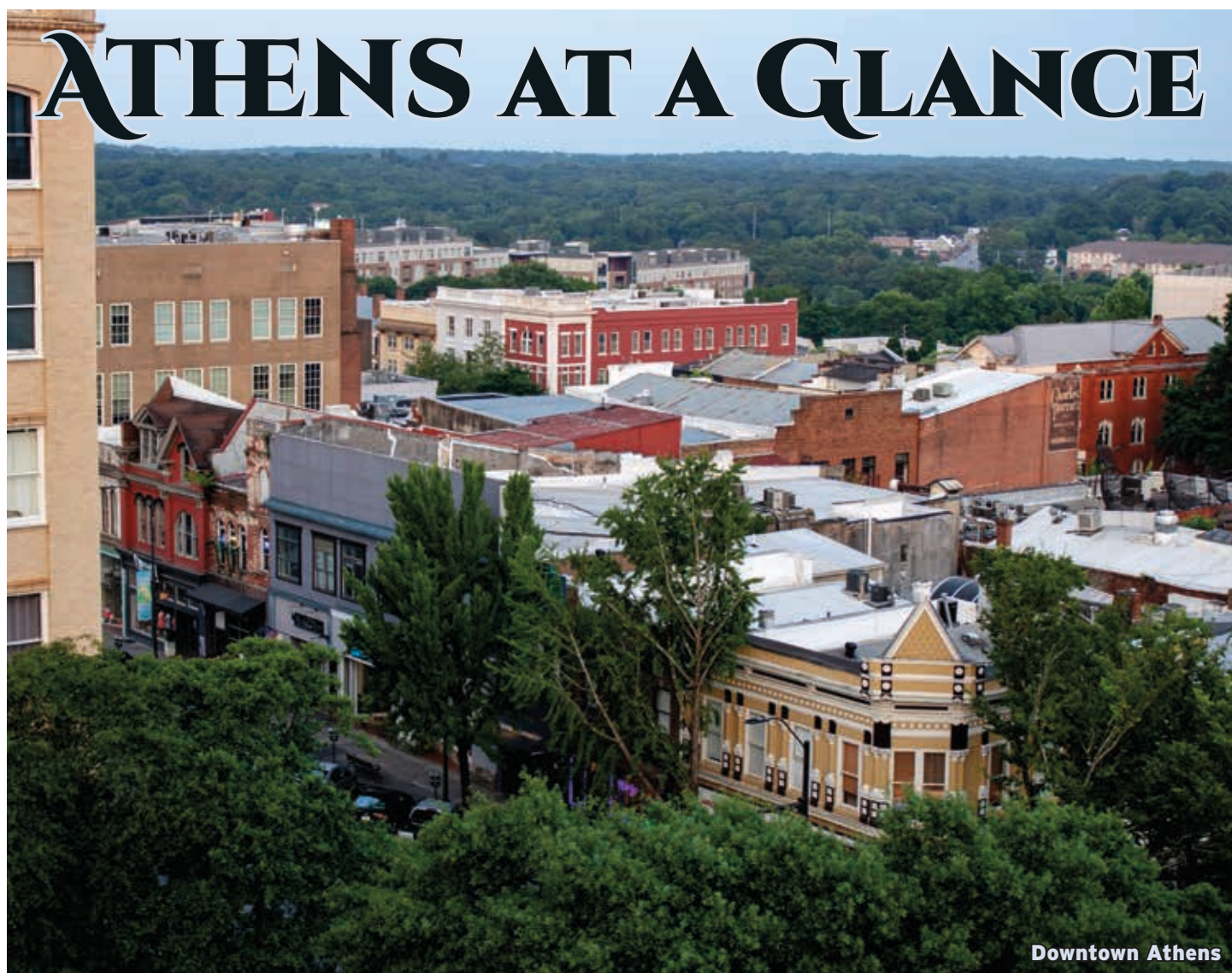
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Downtown Athens

**ATHENS** IS A SPECIAL PLACE: a small town with welcoming people, a big university and many of the amenities of a big city, like vibrant music, arts and food scenes. It hasn't always been that way, though. Recent elections have brought a renewed interest in issues of equity of social justice. With that in mind, here's some background through that lens on Athens' history and the current political landscape. To keep up with all things Athens, pick up a copy of the free weekly *Flagpole* magazine, and visit [flagpole.com](http://flagpole.com) for daily news updates.

## HOW WE GOT HERE

Athens and the University of Georgia have been intertwined from the beginning. The state legislature chartered the University of Georgia in 1785, making UGA the oldest public university in the country, no matter what anyone in North Carolina says. Future governor John Milledge, who bought the university's initial 633 acres from early settler Daniel Easley in 1801, named the village-to-be for the Greek cradle of philosophy. Ironically, considering Athens now has over 100 bars, it was chosen because it was far from any taverns that might distract students.

Athens was incorporated in 1806. In the decades that followed, the town became known as the "Manchester of the South," because of its cotton mills. James Camak led the building of the city's first railroad, connecting Athens to Augusta in 1841.

Other than a minor skirmish, Athens saw no action during the Civil War, but participated nonetheless. The Cook and Bros. armory across the river from downtown—now the Chicopee-Dudley building, housing UGA

offices—manufactured rifles for the Confederacy. On a lighter note, local dentist John Gilleland devised a double-barreled cannon that failed spectacularly when tested. The chain connecting the ball snapped, knocking over a chimney and killing a cow. The cannon is now displayed outside City Hall, facing north.

Many prominent rebels—including Confederate Vice President Alexander Stephens, former U.S. House Speaker Howell Cobb and his brother, T.R.R. Cobb, whose writings defended slavery—had ties to Athens. Plantation slave labor funded the construction of many grand antebellum homes, such as T.R.R. Cobb's, which is now a museum in the Cobbham neighborhood.

Slave labor also helped build UGA. The remains of 105 individuals, mostly slaves or former slaves of African descent, were unearthed during a recent construction project at Baldwin Hall. Subsequent research revealed that the university rented slaves from nearby slave owners, and that much of North Campus had been built on top of a cemetery used by African Americans through the 1880s. A memorial was erected at Baldwin Hall in 2018 honoring those who were buried there.

In 1872, Howell Cobb's sister, Laura Cobb Rutherford, spearheaded the construction of an obelisk honoring the Confederate dead, now located in the median on Broad Street downtown. Her daughter, Mildred Rutherford, was a prominent educator and advocate of the discredited "Lost Cause." In addition, Howell Cobb's speeches attacking black citizens' newly won right to vote helped inspire the formation of the Ku Klux Klan in Georgia. While many locals now want to remove the monument, state law prevents the city from doing so.

By the turn of the century, Athens had public schools, a police force and its first streetcar suburbs, Boulevard and Five Points. In 1891, the State Normal School, a teacher's college, opened in what's now called Normaltown. The Navy took over the college in the 1950s, training its Supply Corps there. When the



Navy school moved to Rhode Island in 1911, UGA acquired the property and turned it into a health sciences campus.

In the early 20th Century, black-owned businesses were flourishing on the Hot Corner at Hull and Washington streets, centered around the Morton Theatre, built by wealthy developer Monroe "Pink" Morton, the son of a former slave. But race relations remained tense. Hamilton Holmes and Charlayne Hunter integrated UGA in 1961, sparking near-riots. In 1964, Athens Klansmen murdered Lemuel Penn, a black soldier who was passing through town. Marches and sit-ins were held at the popular fast-food restaurant The Varsity. Local public schools didn't fully integrate until 1970, 16 years after *Brown v. Board of Education*. This was also the time of "urban renewal," which brought a health clinic, better housing and more improvements to black neighborhoods but caused the destruction of other "slums."

Downtown largely emptied out when Georgia Square Mall opened on Atlanta Highway in 1981, which paved the way for Athens to become the music mecca it is today. R.E.M. was about to hit it big, and entrepreneurs took advantage of the vacancies to open venues like the 40 Watt Club.

Clarke County and the City of Athens, after two previous failed attempts, merged in 1990, and the newly unified Athens-Clarke County elected Gwen O'Looney as its first female and first progressive mayor.

Today, the mall is struggling, while downtown has become in some ways a victim of its own success. The proliferation of luxury apartment complexes has brought rising rents and more chains, increasingly catering to (mostly white) students and pushing locally owned businesses out into the Five Points, Normaltown and Chase Park areas. Historically black neighborhoods like East Athens and the Hancock Corridor that have suffered for decades from lack of investment are now ripe for gentrification.

These issues and more galvanized voters in 2018. They swept five new, more liberal commissioners into office and chose another progressive, Kelly Girtz, as mayor in a landslide. The new group is now tackling issues like affordable housing and criminal justice reform.

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

*Flagpole's* City Dope column is a great resource for keeping up with local politics.

The ACC Commission includes 10 members, each representing a district, and the mayor, who is elected countywide and presides over meetings but only votes in case of a tie. It meets at least three times a month: Work sessions, where staff give presentations on upcoming decisions, are at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday. Agenda-setting meetings, which include further discussion as well as public input, are at 6 p.m. on the third Tuesday. Voting meetings are at 6 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the following month. All three are at City Hall (301 College Ave.) and televised on Channel 180 on Charter cable and streamed at youtube.com/accgov. Agendas, background information and contact information for county officials are available at accgov.com.

The Clarke County Board of Education, composed of nine members who elect a president from among themselves, meets in the H.T. Edwards Building (440 Dearing Extension) on the first and second Thursdays of the month at 6 p.m. The district is led by Superintendent Demond Means, hired in 2017 to address the gap between white and minority students, who make up three-quarters of its 14,000 students. CCSD's website is [clarke.k12.ga.us](http://clarke.k12.ga.us). Agendas are posted at [boarddocs.com/ga/clarke/Board.nsf/Public](http://boarddocs.com/ga/clarke/Board.nsf/Public) 24 hours before the meeting.

Although Athens is roughly 70 percent Democratic, due to gerrymandering, it's represented by four Republicans and just one Democrat in the state legislature. Republicans still dominate both the House and the Senate, despite losing seats in 2018, when Gov. Brian Kemp only narrowly defeated Democrat Stacey Abrams (without much help from his hometown of Athens). The General Assembly meets for 40 working days a year, starting on the second Monday in January and ending sometime in late March (before the Masters golf tournament). Check [legis.ga.gov](http://legis.ga.gov) to contact legislators, read the text of bills and watch the action on live-stream.

Athens has numerous activist groups working on labor, discrimination, LGBTQ, immigration, transportation and other issues. An incomplete list includes the Clarke County Democrats ([clarkecounty.com](http://clarkecounty.com)), Athens for Everyone ([athensforeveryone.com](http://athensforeveryone.com)), Athens Anti-Discrimination Movement ([aadmovement.org](http://aadmovement.org)), Athens Immigrant Rights Coalition ([athensimmigrantrights.org](http://athensimmigrantrights.org)), Athens PRIDE ([athenspride.org](http://athenspride.org)), United Campus Workers of Georgia ([wcwga.org](http://wcwga.org)), BikeAthens ([bikeathens.org](http://bikeathens.org)), Young Democrats of UGA ([facebook.com/YoungDemsUGA](http://facebook.com/YoungDemsUGA)), Young Democratic Socialists ([facebook.com/AthensYDSA](http://facebook.com/AthensYDSA)),

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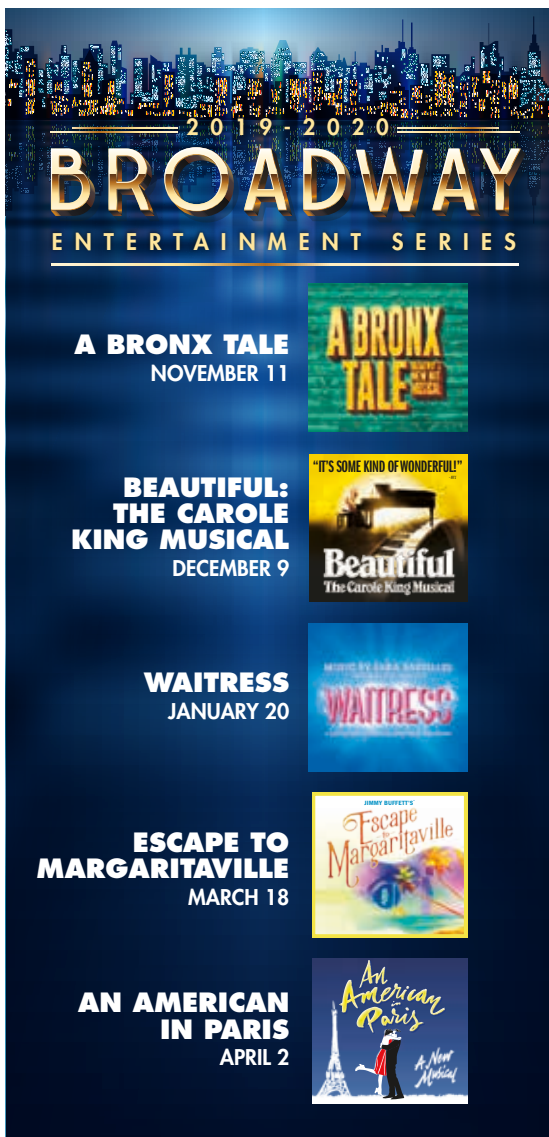
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UGA also hosts nearly daily lectures, exhibitions, readings and discussion groups that are open to the public; check *Flagpole's* Calendar or [calendar.uga.edu](http://calendar.uga.edu) for the latest.

## HOW TO GET AROUND

**WALK/BIKE:** Downtown, North Campus and most intown neighborhoods are compact and easy to get around on foot or bike. (Drivers, remember to stop for pedestrians!) The North Oconee River Greenway runs from Sandy Creek Nature Center through downtown, with another leg to College Station Road on the Eastside under construction. Only a short stretch of the Firefly Trail, between downtown and Dudley Park, is open, but it will eventually run all the way to Winterville. BikeAthens has a map of streets with bike lanes.

**SCOOT:** The ACC Commission temporarily banned electric scooter rentals last year, but they're expected to return in late 2019, once regulations are in place.

**DRIVE:** On-street parking downtown is \$1.50 per hour between 8 a.m.–10 p.m. Monday–Saturday, with a two-hour time limit from 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Meters accept cards and coins. Tickets will run you \$20–\$25. Avoid the risk by parking in a deck—they're free for the first half-hour (and all day Sunday) and \$1 per hour after that. Most surface lots are operated at night and on weekends by National Parking, which usually charges \$5 and can tow or boot you if you don't pay. On campus, surface lots are permit-only, so visitors should park in a deck. See [downtownathensga.org](http://downtownathensga.org) and [parking.uga.edu](http://parking.uga.edu) for more.

**TAKE A CAB:** Athens taxis are mostly large vans shared with other passengers. Fares aren't metered; they're based on zones and should be posted inside the cab. Vans gather by the Arch late at night. Expect to be asked whether you're going to the Eastside or Westside. With multiple stops to make, the ride might take a while. Uber and Lyft also operate in Athens.

**TAKE A BUS:** Athens Transit ([athenstransit.com](http://athenstransit.com)) buses leave in all directions from the Multimodal Center on East Broad Street, down the hill from downtown. Fares are \$1.75 for adults; UGA students, faculty and staff, seniors over 65 and kids under 18 ride free. Everybody rides free on Campus Transit ([transit.uga.edu](http://transit.uga.edu)). Buses mostly run through campus, but routes along Milledge Avenue and Prince Avenue stop at a handful of off-campus locations. Both agencies have apps that allow you to track buses.

**SKIP TOWN:** Southeastern Stages ([southeasternstages.com](http://southeasternstages.com)) intercity buses leave from 4020 Atlanta Hwy. Megabus ([us.megabus.com](http://us.megabus.com)) also runs intercity buses out of the Multimodal Center at 775 E. Broad St. Groome Transportation ([groometransportation.com](http://groometransportation.com)) will take you from one of several pick-up locations to Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta. Amtrak's Crescent ([amtrak.com](http://amtrak.com)) stops in Gainesville on its run between New Orleans and New York City.

## HOW WE STACK UP

**AREA:** About **122** square miles—geographically the smallest county in Georgia.

**POPULATION:** **125,964** (2018 Census estimate—includes UGA students)

**DEMOGRAPHICS:** **65** percent white, **27** percent black, **7** percent Hispanic, **3** percent Asian (2010 Census)

**UGA ENROLLMENT:** **38,652** (Fall 2018)

**LARGEST EMPLOYERS:** **UGA** (10,700), **Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center** (3,300), **Clarke County School District** (2,400), **St. Mary's Hospital** (2,100), **Athens-Clarke County government** (2,100), **Caterpillar** (1,600), **Pilgrim's Pride** (1,350) (ACC Economic Development Department)



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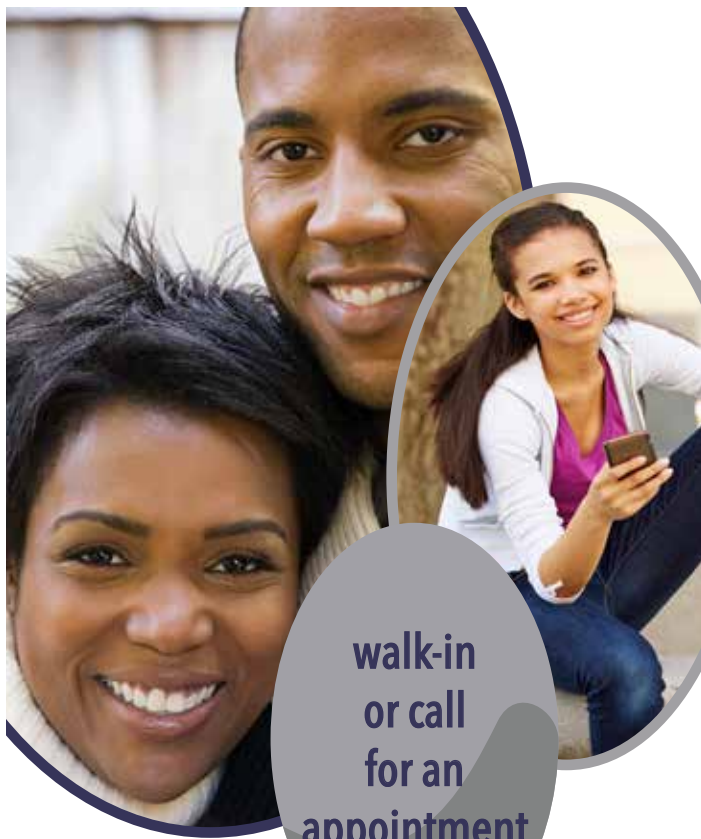
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# ANNUAL EVENTS



Twilight Criterium

Athens' many annual events include, but aren't limited to, festivals, parades, fundraisers, sporting events, craft markets and outdoor fun. Here are a few familiar happenings to look forward to each year. Check *Flagpole's* weekly calendar in print and at [flagpole.com](http://flagpole.com) for a comprehensive community events roundup.

**Groovy Nights** | Aug. 24, 2019 | Get your groove on with Project Safe at The Foundry. [project-safe.org](http://project-safe.org)

**UGA Home Football Games 2019** | Sept. 7 Murray State • Sept. 14 Arkansas State • Sept. 21 Notre Dame • Oct. 12 South Carolina • Oct. 19 Kentucky • Nov. 9 Missouri • Nov. 23 Texas A&M. [georgiadiogs.com](http://georgiadiogs.com)

**LatinxFest** | Sept. 28, 2019 | Celebrate with the local Latinx community during National Hispanic Heritage Month. [latinxfestath.com](http://latinxfestath.com)

**North Georgia Folk Festival** | Oct. 12, 2019 | Enjoy a day of outstanding folk music at sprawling Sandy Creek Park. [athensfolk.org](http://athensfolk.org)

**Boo-le-Bark on the Boulevard** | Oct. 13, 2019 | Rain or shine, show off your pup's best Halloween attire. [barkonboulevard.com](http://barkonboulevard.com)

**Wild Rumpus Parade and Spectacle** | Oct. 25-26, 2019 | Don your best costume and howl at the moon on Halloween weekend. Kids events, music and more. [wildrumpus.org](http://wildrumpus.org)

**AthHalf** | Oct. 27, 2019 | AthFest Educates' half-marathon features live music along its meandering course and is designed to showcase Athens and UGA. [athhalf.com](http://athhalf.com)

**Downtown Parade of Lights** | Dec. 5, 2019 | Floats, marching bands and Santa Claus make their way through downtown and wind up at City Hall for a tree-lighting ceremony. [athensclarkcountym.com](http://athensclarkcountym.com)

**Indie South Fair** | Dec. 14-15, 2019 & May 9, 2020 | This large outdoor market of folk and functional art has several other events throughout the year. [indiesouthfair.com](http://indiesouthfair.com)

**Fluke Mini-Comics and Zine Festival** | Mar. 28, 2020 | Comic and zine creators get together to share and sell their stuff at the 40 Watt Club. [flukeathens.com](http://flukeathens.com)

**Athens Jewish Film Festival** | March 2020 | Enjoy feature and short films celebrating and exploring Jewish identity. [athensjff.org](http://athensjff.org)

**Dancing With the Athens Stars** | Apr. 4, 2020 | Local celebrities work with paired dancers for Project Safe at the Classic Center. [project-safe.org](http://project-safe.org)

**Classic City Brew Fest** | Apr. 5, 2020 | Sample craft beer from Athens and around the region at this long-running event. [classiccitybrew.com](http://classiccitybrew.com)

**International Street Festival** | Apr. 11, 2020 | Student and community groups present a day of music, art, food and more to showcase cultures from around the world. [isl.uga.edu](http://isl.uga.edu)

**G-Day Game** | Apr. 18, 2020 | UGA's free spring scrimmage provides fans a first look at next year's football team. [georgiadiogs.com](http://georgiadiogs.com)

**Boybutante Ball** | Apr. 18, 2020 | A glamorous tradition at the 40 Watt features drag queens and kings raising funds for the Boybutante AIDS Foundation. [boybutante.org](http://boybutante.org)

**Twilight Criterium** | Apr. 24-25, 2020 | This world-class bicycle race draws thousands downtown and includes lots of associated activities. [athenstwillight.com](http://athenstwillight.com)

**Athens Community Council on Aging Retro Prom** | May 1, 2020 | Dress up in throwback attire and show up at The Foundry to support ACCA. [accaging.org/prom](http://accaging.org/prom)

**Winterville Marigold Festival** | May 9, 2020 | Music, food, arts and a race highlight a day of fun for all ages in a quirky, cool pocket of Clarke County. [marigoldfestival.com](http://marigoldfestival.com)

**Athens Human Rights Festival** | May 2020 | Athens' venerable people's fest features progressive speakers, live music and lots more. [athenshumanrightsfest.org](http://athenshumanrightsfest.org)

**Hot Corner Celebration and Soul Food Festival** | June 2020 | Music, food and fellowship at Hull and Washington streets downtown, celebrating local black culture and commerce. [facebook.com/hotcornerath](http://facebook.com/hotcornerath)

**Flagpole Athens Music Awards** | June 25, 2020 | Readers vote for their favorites, we hand out awards, and music fills the historic Morton Theatre. [flagpole.com](http://flagpole.com)

**AthFest Music and Arts Festival** | June 25-28, 2020 | More than 100 local and regional bands play the free outdoor stages and the ticketed Club Crawl. There's also an artist market, kids activities, food and drink and more. [athfest.com](http://athfest.com)



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americasbestvalueinn.com  
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marriott.com/AHNCY  
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daysinnathens.com  
\$ | 75 rooms

**Georgia Center Hotel**  
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hotel.uga.edu  
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250 W. Broad St. • 706-583-4500 •  
gagamedaycenter.com  
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hiltongardeninnathens.com  
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**Holiday Inn**  
197 E. Broad St. • 706-549-4433 •  
holidayinn.com  
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hiexpress.com  
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**homewoodsuites3.hilton.com**  
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**Hotel Indigo**  
500 College Ave. • 706-309-7263 •  
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• countryinns.com  
\$\$\$ | 81 rooms

**Hampton Inn**  
2220 W. Broad St. • 706-548-9600 •  
hampton-inn.com/hi/athens  
\$\$\$ | 112 rooms

**Howard Johnson**  
2465 W. Broad St. • 706-510-1108 •  
wyndhamhotels.com/hojo  
\$ | 100 rooms

**Microtel Inn**  
1050 Ultimate Dr. • 706-389-4836 •  
wyndhamhotels.com/microtel  
\$ | 60 rooms

**Perimeter Inn**  
3791 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-548-3000 •  
perimeterinn.com  
\$\$\$ | 34 rooms

**Quality Inn & Suites**  
2715 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-549-1530 •  
choicehotels.com  
\$\$\$ | 45 rooms

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109 Florence Dr. • 706-850-1261 •  
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**Broad River Outpost**  
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• 706-795-3242 • broadriveroutpost.com  
\$1 (tent) | Wooded site with showers. No RVs. See ad on p. 59.

**Fort Yargo State Park**  
210 S. Broad St., Winder • 770-867-3489 •  
gastateparks.org/fortyargo  
\$25-\$36 (tent), \$34-\$36 (RV), \$85 (yurt), \$135 (cabin), \$165 (cottage)

**Pine Lake**  
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706-769-5486 • pinelakervcamp.com  
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**The Sandbar**  
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706-245-4163 • thesandbarbroadriver.com  
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# ART AROUND TOWN

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Hot Corner: An Athens Legacy

Athens has lots of galleries, and more artwork can be found around town, adding bursts of color and character to the walls of coffee houses, restaurants, bars and shops. Check *Flagpole's* Art Around Town for a list of current exhibitions. Thanks to organizations like the Athens Cultural Affairs Commission and Athens Area Arts Council, the arts scene continues to thrive. Public art projects abound, especially downtown. (See box.) Third Thursday hosts extended hours from 6–9 p.m. once per month. Many studios offer open houses and sales. For info on receptions and events, check *Flagpole's* Calendar.

## Athens Institute for Contemporary Art (ATHICA)

675 Pulaski St., Ste. 1200 • 706-850-7770 • [athica.org](http://athica.org)

Hours: Wed–Fri, Sun, 4–6 p.m. Sat, 1–6 p.m.

ATHICA balances Athens-centric exhibitions with those of professional artists from across the country. The longstanding “Emerges” show highlights rising local artists, while an annual juried exhibition welcomes submissions from across the globe. In addition to traditional opening receptions, exhibitions are often accompanied by workshops, performances and talks with visiting artists.

## Ciné

234 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-353-3343 • [athenscine.com](http://athenscine.com)

Hours: When the theater is open

More than just an indie movie theater, Ciné is also a venue for visual art. The exhibit space runs down both walls leading from the entrance and highlights a few artists each year. Art can be viewed during the same hours as the theater, but you don't have to buy movie tickets to check it out or enjoy opening receptions.

## The Circle Gallery

285 S. Jackson St. • 706-542-8292 • [ced.uga.edu](http://ced.uga.edu)

Hours: Mon–Fri, 9 a.m.–6 p.m. during the academic year

Part of UGA's College of Environment and Design and housed on North Campus, the Circle Gallery hosts shows celebrating the relationship between fine art and themes of landscape architecture, historic preservation and, naturally, environmental design.

## The Classic Center

300 N. Thomas St. • 706-208-0900 • [classiccenter.com](http://classiccenter.com)

Hours: When the Center is open

In addition to awarding grants and scholarships, the Classic Center Cultural Foundation exists to fund the purchase of local art, which adorns the large walls of the conference and events venue. Some art remains on view permanently, while even more changes biannually through exhibitions curated by Didi Dunphy. See ad on p. 6.

## Creature Comforts Brewing Co.

271 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-410-1043 • [getcurious.com/get-artistic](http://getcurious.com/get-artistic)

Tue–Thu, 5–10 p.m. Fri, 3–10 p.m. Sat, 1–10 p.m. Sun, 1–6 p.m.

Launched in June 2018, Creature Comforts' Get Artistic initiative aims to support art in its many forms: visual art, performance, music and writing. In addition to exhibitions curated by Madeline Bates, the brewery hosts artist talks, craft workshops, art parties and other enrichment opportunities for the arts community.

## The Dodd Galleries

270 River Road • 706-542-1511 • [art.uga.edu/galleries](http://art.uga.edu/galleries)

Hours: Mon–Fri, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., except university holidays

UGA's renowned art school neighbors the Georgia Museum of Art. In addition to the popular BFA exit shows, which showcase the works of graduating students near the end of each semester, galleries host exhibitions by students, faculty members and visiting artists that rotate year-round. Regular events include receptions and lectures by artists and art historians.

## Gallery@HotelIndigo Athens

500 College Ave. • 706-309-7263 • [indigoathens.com/about-us/gallery-indigo-athens](http://indigoathens.com/about-us/gallery-indigo-athens)

Hours: Same as the hotel lobby

Contemporary exhibitions in this downtown boutique hotel typically have a group focus and a theme, carefully curated by Didi Dunphy. The Glass Cube,



a literal glass cube located just outside the hotel's main entrance, serves as a unique space for site-specific installations.

### Georgia Museum of Art

90 Carlton St. • 706-542-4662 • [georgiamuseum.org](http://georgiamuseum.org)

Hours: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thu, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sun, 1-5 p.m.

Georgia's official art museum, on UGA's East Campus, houses a large permanent collection of paintings, prints, decorative arts, sculpture and more. This year's diverse lineup includes "Women of the WPA," "Storytelling in Renaissance Maiolica," "Before the War: Photographs of Syria by Peter Aaron," "Louis Comfort Tiffany: Treasures From the Driehaus Collection" and "Emma Amos: Color Odyssey." Admission is free, as are almost all of its many events: gallery tours, lectures, films, workshops for teens, a monthly Family Day and thrice-yearly late-night parties with a DJ. A café serves coffee and snacks Tuesday through Friday afternoons in the lobby.

### Hip Vintage and Handmade

215 Commerce Blvd. • 706-215-9585 • [hipvintagehandmade.com](http://hipvintagehandmade.com)

Hours: Wed-Sat, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun, 1-5 p.m.

With over 100 vendors, the market offers antiques and vintage items, as well as a wide selection of handmade goods and crafts by local artists. Exhibitions rotate monthly and include paintings, drawings and sculptures. See ad on p. 41.

### Howard's Gallery

119 N. Jackson St. • [howardsartgallery.com](http://howardsartgallery.com)

Hours: Fri-Sat, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and by appointment

Opened in 2018 by artist and New York transplant Ridley Howard, this gallery shares a space with Tif Sigfrids. The two collaborators present distinct programming, using the space's three rooms however feels best. Upcoming shows in 2019 feature Justin Adian, Samuel Stabler, Katya Tepper, Greg Bogin and Anne Eastman.

### Lyndon House Arts Center

211 Hoyt St. • 706-613-3623 • [athensclarkecounty.com/lyndonhouse](http://athensclarkecounty.com/lyndonhouse)

Hours: Tue, Thu, 12-9 p.m. Wed, Fri-Sat (except home football games), 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Run by Athens-Clarke County, the arts center displays professional exhibitions in large, sunny galleries upstairs and down, while the Ware-Lyndon House museum offers a glimpse into Athens' past through period decor and artifacts. In addition to offering classes instructed by professional artists, summer camps and the occasional festival, the center serves as meeting grounds for local craft groups. A gift shop features items created by regional artists. See ad on p. 16.

### Madison-Morgan Cultural Center

434 S. Main St., Madison • 706-342-4743 • [mmcc-arts.org](http://mmcc-arts.org)

Hours: Tue-Sat, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun, 2-5 p.m.

The nonprofit is outside of Athens in a beautifully restored 1895 Romanesque Revival building. Programming ranges from visual art exhibitions to performing arts, and annual events include an antiques show, chamber music festival and tour of homes.

### The Myers and Bertelsmann Galleries at Athens Academy

1281 Spartan Lane • 706-549-9225 • [athensacademy.org](http://athensacademy.org)

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (Closed June and July)

Athens Academy includes two galleries on its large campus that are open to public viewing. Typically dedicated to displaying student masterpieces, the walls will occasionally feature the work of professional local artists.

### Oconee Cultural Arts Foundation (OCAF)

34 School St., Watkinsville • 706-769-4565 • [ocaf.com](http://ocaf.com)

Hours: Tue-Sat, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Centered in a renovated turn-of-the-century schoolhouse, OCAF is a nonprofit that promotes performing, visual and literary arts through a range of exhibitions and classes for all ages. Longstanding annual events include "Southworks," a national juried art exhibition; "Perspectives," the Georgia pottery invitational; a members exhibition; and a holiday market. Smaller exhibitions are hosted in a converted classroom adjacent to the main gallery.

### Tif Sigfrids

119 N. Jackson St. • [info@tifsigfrids.com](mailto:info@tifsigfrids.com) • [tifsigfrids.com](http://tifsigfrids.com)

Hours: Fri-Sat, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and by appointment

Owner Tif Sigfrids relocated her gallery from Los Angeles and showcases the works of many professional contemporary artists. Sharing a downtown space with Howard's, the gallery has recently hosted shows by Gracie DeVito, John Fahey and Art Rosenbaum.

### UGA Special Collections Libraries

300 S. Hull St. • 706-542-7123 • [libs.uga.edu/sci](http://libs.uga.edu/sci)

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat, 1-5 p.m. (except home football games)

The galleries feature items from the Hargrett, Russell and Brown Archives. Historical pieces include photographs, manuscripts, maps and memorabilia.

### Winterville Center for Community and Culture

371 N. Church St., Winterville • 706-742-0823 • [wintervillecenter.com](http://wintervillecenter.com)

Hours: Mon-Thu, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Opened in spring 2016, this \$1.3 million renovation project transformed the former Winterville High School into a regional enrichment center for adults. Rotating art exhibitions vary in theme and style. In addition to the exhibition hall, the facility includes a demonstration kitchen, dining and activity space, and multiple classrooms for hosting lectures, workshops and other events.

## FIVE DOWNTOWN PUBLIC ART PROJECTS TO CHECK OUT

### FIRE UP THE HYDRANTS

A project of the Athens-Clarke County Public Utilities Department, Fire Up the Hydrants transformed 20 ordinary hydrants into functional, life-saving works of art. Spread across downtown, the hydrants were cleverly hand-painted by local artists, including Sarah Cook, Lilli Sams, Dan Smith and Jennifer Zwirn.

### ART DECKO

Organized by the Athens Area Arts Council, Art Decko is a series of nine large-scale paintings installed on each floor of the Vertical Gallery, an unconventional stairwell-turned-art space in the College Avenue Parking Deck. Artists include Ashley Anderson, Jared Brown, Jeremy Kiran Fernandes, Ruth Allen, Jacob Wenzka, Hannah Betzel, Will Eskridge, Jeanne Whatley and Dorian Edwards.

### BIRDSONG

Commissioned by AthFest Educates to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the AthFest Music and Arts Festival, David Hale's "BirdSong" mural is comprised of 20 species of native songbirds flying across an exterior wall of Epiphany, on the corner of Washington and Pulaski streets.

### HOT CORNER: AN ATHENS LEGACY

Downtown's newest mural, at the corner of Lumpkin and Washington streets, is dedicated to the rich history of Hot Corner, a hub of African-American entrepreneurship. Organized by the Athens Cultural Affairs Commission with support from a National Endowment for the Arts grant, the mural was created by Miami-based muralist Elio Mercado and local artist Broderick Flanigan.

### PROJECT GINKGO

Beautifying the concrete bases of light poles with intricate mosaics, Krysia Ara's Project Ginkgo adds glittering charm and color into the downtown landscape. Funded by the Athens Downtown Development Authority, each design is unique and can be found outside of Flicker Theatre and Bar, The World Famous, Epiphany, Creature Comforts and Ciné.



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# UNIQUELY ATHENS



Classic City Rollergirls

There's so much to see and do in Athens, and not all of it falls into a neat, easily labeled category. Here are a few of the Classic City's extra-special offerings that we truly love, with plenty to enjoy for visitors and residents alike.

**BIKE TRAILS:** Athens boasts a thriving, tight-knit cycling community that takes full advantage of the area's riding options. In addition to the North Oconee River Greenway, several local parks feature bike-friendly trails, including Trail Creek and Oconee Forest parks. (See Parks and Recreation on p. 18.) There are lots of trails within easy driving (or cycling) distance, like the ones at Fort Yargo State Park in Winder. The most comprehensive resource for local cyclists is **BikeAthens** (1075 W. Broad St., 706-249-9550, bikeathens.org).

**RIVER FUN:** There are a few intown and near-to-town purveyors of Broad and Oconee river trips for kayakers, canoers and those who wish to simply float lazily in a tube. These are at-your-own-pace trips that can be good for a special occasion—or just a warm day. The closest one to town is **Big Dogs on the River** (2525 Atlanta Hwy., 706-353-6002), but there's also **Broad River Outpost** (7911 Wildcat Bridge Road, 706-795-3242, see ad on p. 59) in Danielsville, and **The Sandbar** (3435 King Hall Mill Road, 706-245-4163) in Bowman.

**BEHIND THE MUSIC:** There's nothing else here or, perhaps, anywhere quite like **Nuci's Space** (396 Oconee St., 706-227-1515, nuci.org), a resource center for Athens' legion of music creators. Founded nearly two decades ago by former Athenian Linda Phillips in memory of her son Nuci, a suicide

victim, the organization offers rehearsal spaces for hourly rental, as well as medical and mental health resources for under-insured musicians. It also operates Camp Amped for budding local superstars. (See Specially for Kids on p. 20.)

**HIGH TIMES:** For those who want to soar, **Canopy Studio** (160-6 Tracy St., 706-549-8501, canopystudio.org, see ad on p. 20) offers instruction in trapeze and other movement arts, with the mission of providing a safe and inclusive space for residents of all ages and backgrounds. In addition to its classes, the nonprofit stages performances that are open to the public. **Active Climbing** (665 Barber St., 706-354-0038, activeclimbing.com, see ad on p. 29), Athens' only indoor climbing gym, offers air-conditioned adventures for all skill levels.

**LIFE SKILLS:** Founded by poet and activist Lemuel "Life" LaRoche, **Chess and Community** (chessandcommunity.org) teaches the game to local youth "to develop critical thinkers and engage the next generation of leaders." With a focus on underserved populations, the nonprofit also administers the Think Before You Move college scholarship and hosts an annual conference at the Classic Center featuring a chess tournament, essay contest, art show and more.

**COLLEGE SPORTS:** The **University of Georgia** is known for its football program—the 2019 season brings high hopes for coach Kirby Smart and his Dawgs—but the school has seen Division I success in lots of other sports, including baseball, women's basketball, gymnastics, swimming, equestrian and more. And the men's basketball team is set to

improve under second-year coach Tom Crean, making this an ideal year to catch any number of UGA sporting events. See [georgiadogs.com](http://georgiadogs.com) for schedules and tickets.

**ROLLER DERBY:** A member of the Women's Flat Track Derby Association, the tough-as-nails **Classic City Rollergirls** ([classiccityrollergirls.com](http://classiccityrollergirls.com)) battle roller derby squads from around the region at **Athens Arena** (280 Commerce Blvd.). The bout season runs from spring through summer, and the group hosts free boot camp sessions several times each year for anyone interested in donning the green and black.

**CREATIVE COMEDY:** While stand-up showcases can be found around town, the newly opened **Moonlight Theater Company** (675 Pulaski St., Ste. 1400, [moonlighttheatercompany.com](http://moonlighttheatercompany.com)), operated by École Philippe Gaulier alumnus Chase Brantley, specializes in "fresh, innovative and original comedy from around the world." In addition to performances ranging from improv to theater, stand-up and beyond, Moonlight also offers classes in clowning and comedy for kids and adults.

**LISTEN AND LEARN:** Dedicated to the art of storytelling, **Rabbit Box** ([rabbitbox.org](http://rabbitbox.org))—named for a tune by the late, great Athens songwriter Vic Chesnutt—hosts a monthly series at The Foundry that features local folks sharing true tales from their lives. By turns funny, poignant, challenging and inspirational, the event provides a heartwarming look at the rich tapestry that is Athens. Interested storytellers can sign up in advance, and the shows are open to the public.



# PARKS & RECREATION



Oconee Forest Park

Athens has lots of public parks, a few of which are connected by the North Oconee River Greenway, which features several scenic miles of walking and biking paths. Amenities vary, and are indicated by symbols on this page. Picnic shelters must be rented ahead of time at most parks. Athens' only public golf course is the UGA Golf Course, at 2600 Riverbend Road; Lane Creek Golf Club is in nearby Bishop.

## ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY

accgov.com/149/Parks-Facilities

### Ben Burton Park

615 Mitchell Bridge Road • 706-613-3801

Hours: sunrise-sunset



The 32-acre intown wildlife preserve features a hardwood forest, trails and plenty of picnic spots. A boat launch and shoals provide easy access to the Middle Oconee River.

### Bishop Park

705 Sunset Dr. • 706-613-3589

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset



Large Normaltown park equipped with fields and courts for a variety of sports. Programs include tennis, gymnastics, swimming and more. Home to the Athens Farmers Market on Saturdays from April to December.

### Boulevard Woods

298 Barber St. • 706-613-3801

Hours: sunrise-sunset



Cute pocket park in the Boulevard neighborhood.

### Dudley Park

100 Dudley Park Road • 706-613-3620

Hours: sunrise-sunset



32-acre park near downtown, by the river, with

animals | baseball | basketball | beach | bike | boat | boat ramp | camp | disc golf | dog park | fishing | food | grill | gym | gymnastics | horse trail | multipurpose fields | picnic shelter | picnic table | playground | restrooms | skate park | snack bar | soccer | softball | splash pad | swim | tennis | volleyball | walk

open fields and connections to the Firefly Trail and North Oconee River Greenway.

### East Athens Community Center

400 McKinley Dr. • 706-613-3593

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun, 2-6 p.m.



Indoor and outdoor activities for everyone from kids to seniors, plus a branch of the public library.

### Firefly Trail

Multiple entrances: East Broad Street, Dudley Park, Poplar Street, Inglewood Avenue, Old Winterville Road • 706-613-3801

Hours: sunrise-sunset



The first mile of this painstakingly designed walking and biking trail is open along the historic Georgia Railroad corridor.

### Greenway and Riverside Parks

706-613-3615

Hours: sunrise-sunset



Over 7 miles of concrete for non-motorized use. Connections include Dudley Park, Firefly Trail, Sandy Creek Nature Center and Sandy Creek Park. For a list of riverside parks, see accgov.com/6919/Riverside-Parks.

### Holland Youth Sports Complex

250 Vincent Dr. • 706-613-3604

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset



62-acre sports complex. Home to Athens United soccer, Downtown Falcons football and Athens Little League baseball and softball action.

### Lay Park

297 Hoyt St. • 706-613-3596

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun, 2-6 p.m.



Athens' only downtown park is accessible to everybody looking to get active, both indoors and out.

### Memorial Park

293 Gran Ellen Dr. • 706-613-3580

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset



Popular park in the heart of Five Points that's home to Bear Hollow Zoo (open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.), a dog park, duck-filled pond and public pool, as well as Athens Creative Theater.

### Reese & Pope Park

375 Reese St. • 706-613-3801

Hours: sunrise-sunset



Neighborhood park with basketball courts and a playground.

### Rocksprings Community Center & Park

291 Henderson Ext. • 706-613-3602

Hours: Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

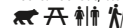


Multipurpose park with something for everyone, including a pirate-ship playground, pool and splash pad.

### Sandy Creek Nature Center

205 Old Commerce Road • 706-613-3615

Hours: Tue-Sat, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.



See snakes and other live critters up close. Hike

over 4 miles of trails through woodlands and wetlands. Discover a 19th Century log house and the ruins of a century-old brick factory.

#### Sandy Creek Park

400 Bob Holman Road • 706-613-3631

Hours: Tue-Sun., 7 a.m.-9 p.m.



The county's largest park surrounds picturesque Lake Chapman with a beach, dog park and trails. Enjoy disc golf, picnicking, boating and fishing. Expect to pay a small entrance fee.

#### Satterfield Park

2950 Cherokee Road • 706-613-3991

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset

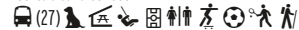


Community park with athletic fields and courts. Home to East Athens Little League play.

#### Southeast Clarke Park

4440 Lexington Road • 706-613-3991

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset



Home to World of Wonder, the largest play area in the park system, with a three-story slide and rock wall and passive play area, plus the Skate Park of Athens, with a series of concrete ramps, bowls and rails. There's also a dog park, tennis courts, soccer and softball fields, and trails.

#### Trail Creek Park

200 Trail Creek St. • 706-613-3991

Hours: 8 a.m.-sunset



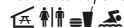
Sprawling park just minutes from downtown with a fitness zone, a popular splash pad for kids, soccer fields and mountain bike trails.

## UGA PARKS

#### Legion Pool

830 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-542-8235 • [tate.uga.edu/legionpool](http://tate.uga.edu/legionpool)

Hours: late May through July, 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; first week in August, 3-7 p.m.



A historic pool with lap lanes and a bath house, Legion is enjoyed each summer by the university community and by those who join the Friends of Campus Life.

#### Oconee Forest Park

College Station Road at Alumni Drive • 706-542-4287 • [warnell.forestry.uga.edu/oconee-forest-park](http://warnell.forestry.uga.edu/oconee-forest-park)

Hours: dawn-dusk



The 60-acre park sits behind the UGA intramural fields, preserving a 100-year-old forest and its wild-life around Lake Herrick.

#### State Botanical Garden of Georgia

2450 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-542-1244 • [botgarden.uga.edu](http://botgarden.uga.edu)

Hours: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.



Admire beautiful and diverse gardens, or explore nature trails. The grounds include a visitors center with a conservatory and café and frequently serve as a concert or wedding venue. The newly opened Alice H. Richards Children's Garden is a kid-centric wonderland. The lovely Day Chapel in the woods is available for rental. No dogs.

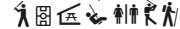
## OCONEE COUNTY

[oconeecounty.com/398/Parks-Facilities](http://oconeecounty.com/398/Parks-Facilities)

#### Bogart Sports Complex

S. Burson Ave., Bogart • 706-769-3965

Hours: dawn-11 p.m.



Lighted ballfields and multipurpose fields.

#### Harris Shoals Park

Harris Shoals Drive, Watkinsville • 706-769-5161

Hours: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.



Small park with picnic tables, walking trails, shoals and a baseball field.

#### Heritage Park

2543 Macon Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-769-3965

Hours: sunrise-sunset

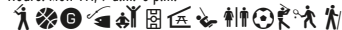


364-acre park bordering the Apalachee River with several miles of hiking, biking and horse-riding trails, as well as an open-air arena that hosts special events.

#### Herman C. Michael Park

1051 Elder Road, Bishop • 706-769-3965

Hours: Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

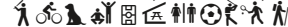


Large park with lighted fields and a free disc golf course.

#### Oconee Veterans Park

3500A Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-769-3965

Hours: Mon-Fri, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun, 1-9 p.m.



Walking trails, tennis courts and multipurpose fields outside, and a gym and track inside.

## CITY OF WINTERVILLE

#### Pittard Park and Pavilion

Parkview and Church streets • 706-742-8600 • [cityofwinterville.com/pittard-park](http://cityofwinterville.com/pittard-park)

Hours: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.



This park has a pavilion, playgrounds and metal art by Beverly Babb. It hosts the Marigold Festival every spring.

## STATE OF GEORGIA

#### Fort Yargo State Park

210 S. Broad St., Winder • 770-867-3489 • [gastateparks.org/fortyargo](http://gastateparks.org/fortyargo)

Hours: 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

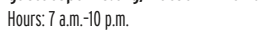


The park surrounds a lake for swimming, fishing and boating. It features a 1792 log fort and campsites, including yurts and cabins.

#### Watson Mill Bridge State Park

650 Watson Mill Road, Comer • 706-783-5349 • [gastateparks.org/watsonmillbridge](http://gastateparks.org/watsonmillbridge)

Hours: 7 a.m.-10 p.m.



This picturesque park a short drive from Athens contains the longest covered bridge in the state, as well as log cabins and campsites, horse-riding trails and a river perfect for wading.

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# SPECIALLY FOR KIDS



Alice H. Richards Children's Garden

**S**ure, Athens has its share of typical kid haunts—roller skating, bowling, wandering the mall—but whether you're raising a townie or just trying to entertain some visiting family, there are lots of Athens-specific destinations to consider. Since kids are already a strain on the budget, this list focuses mainly on things that can be experienced for free or nearly free. If you can make any of these items regular stops on your schedule, you can rest easy knowing they're being raised right.

## PLACES TO PLAY

Athens has some great parks, but what makes them interesting is their diversity. Here are the highlights of select parks that offer the best options for kids of any age.

**Ben Burton Park** (615 Mitchell Bridge Road): Best for hiking along the river and

taking a dip in the stream that feeds into it. Check out the old power station ruins along the trail.

**Southeast Clarke Park** (4400 Lexington Road): The primary draw for this park is the recently revamped World of Wonder playground, but it's also a good place for bike riding, walking and skateboarding. (It even has a Tony Hawk-designed bowl!)

**SPLASH PADS:** In the summer, cool off for cheap (\$1 admission) at Rocksprings Park (291 Henderson Ext.) and Trail Creek Park (200 Trail Creek St.). These low-key water parks are great options for little ones just learning to play in the water—or bigger ones who want to get sprayed. You can also find pools (\$1 admission) at Rocksprings, Bishop (705 Sunset Dr.), Memorial (293 Gran Ellen Dr.) and Lay (297 Hoyt St.) parks. If you're a Clarke County resident and your child got all As and Bs this year, bring their report card to the Bishop Park aquatics office for free admission perks!

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160-6 Tracy St • Athens, GA • [www.canopystudio.org](http://www.canopystudio.org)

**State Botanical Garden of Georgia** (2450 S. Milledge Ave.): This was always a good place to bring kids, but the addition of the new Alice H. Richards Children's Garden makes it a can't-miss spot. This combination garden and playground has options for all ages, and offers both typical playground features as well as an "in the woods" treehouse complete with rope trampoline.

## EXPERIENCE ATHENS

**GO TO THE ZOO:** Located at Memorial Park, **Bear Hollow Zoo** (293 Gran Ellen Dr.) is a local habitat that's home to Athena and Yonah, sister bears who are among the main attractions at this sweet spot.

**TAKE IN A GAME:** Think beyond football. **UGA sports** like soccer, softball, swimming, basketball and hockey are great family entertainment. While some games (especially baseball and gymnastics) require purchased tickets and can sell out, other sports are free to attend and often come with giveaways and other kid-friendly entertainment. Check out [georgiadogs.com/calendar](http://georgiadogs.com/calendar). The **Classic City Rollergirls**, our hometown roller derby team, battles squads from around the region at Athens Arena (280 Commerce Blvd.). See [classiccityrollergirls.com](http://classiccityrollergirls.com).

**ENJOY NATURE:** Spend time inside at **Sandy Creek Nature Center** (205 Old Commerce Road, see ad on p. 21) and learn about nature, our local ecosystem and the environment, or go outside and explore the historic log cabin and the trails. If you're feeling adventurous, take a hike up the 4-mile trail to connect with Sandy Creek Park, which is also a great place to take a dip in the lake. The **Athens-North Oconee River Greenway**, a network of paved paths, is a great way to explore Athens. It's more than 7 miles connecting downtown to places such as Dudley Park, Sandy Creek Nature Center, riverside parks along Athens' north side and, new this year, the UGA campus from Lexington Road. Visit [accgov.com/greenway](http://accgov.com/greenway) for maps and more details.

**READ WITH OTHERS:** Find both regular storytimes and special events at the **Athens-Clarke County Library** (2025 Baxter St., see ad on p. 47), which has a large kids area with computers and toys, as well as a large book selection. Children's events include regular Monday afternoon games with local nonprofit Chess and Community, morning storytimes and weekend family events. You can also find free storytimes at both **Avid Bookshop** locations (493 Prince Ave., 1662 S. Lumpkin St.).

**GET CREATIVE:** We're lucky to have two large, free indoor spaces dedicated to displaying art. First is the **Lyndon House Arts Center** (211 Hoyt St., see ad on p. 16), which has several galleries offering a rotating display of local and national artists. It's run by Athens-Clarke County and also offers workshops and classes for kids and adults throughout the year. The other is the **Georgia Museum of Art** (90 Carlton St.), which features temporary and permanent exhibits throughout the year. Kids events at the museum include teen studio workshops, "Toddler Tuesdays" featuring a kid-friendly activity and monthly Family Day events.

**HANG WITH ANIMALS:** There are several spots in the area that host up-close animal interactions. If your child is a horse lover, take advantage of a tour at **Classic City Clydesdales** (4190 Price Mill Road, Bishop). Tickets can get pricey—it's \$20 per adult and \$10 per child—but the tour includes meeting the horses as well as highland cows, pigs, chickens, ducks, turkeys and donkeys. In Winterville, check out the nonprofit **Sweet Olive Farm** (855 Parkview Road), home to dozens of rescued animals, such as donkeys, alpacas, exotic birds, and a sheep, goat and pig. Tours take place on Fridays with a recommended donation of \$10 per person. In spring and fall, **Washington Farms** in Watkinsville (5671 Hog Mountain Road) features a petting zoo along with other seasonal activities, such as pig races, a corn maze and a pumpkin slingshot.

**TAKE A TOUR:** Athens has four historic house museums that are available for self-guided tours. The **Athens Welcome Center** (280 E. Dougherty St., see ad on p. 5) is managed by the Athens-Clarke Heritage Foundation and is open every day except major holidays. The **Taylor-Grady House** (634 Prince Ave.) is managed by the Junior League of Athens and is used for events—call ahead to be sure, but tours (\$3) are generally available during business hours. The **T.R.R. Cobb House** (175 Hill St.) is owned and run by a private foundation, and tours (\$2 donation for adults) are available during business hours. The **Ware-Lyndon House** is adjacent to the Lyndon House Arts Center and is open when the arts center is open.

# Sandy Creek Nature Center

Athens-Clarke County Department of Leisure Services



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## MOVIES

### AMC Athens 12

1575 Lexington Road • 706-354-0584 • [amctheatres.com](http://amctheatres.com)

In addition to all the latest wide releases, the AMC's lobby features a full bar and dining area. Moviegoers can also order snacks, meals and drinks from their seats.

### Athens-Clarke County Library

2025 Baxter St. • 706-613-3650 • [athenslibrary.org/athens](http://athenslibrary.org/athens)

Patrons can watch a variety of movies shown by different departments and clubs. See ad on p. 47.

### Beechwood Stadium 11 Cinemas

196 Alps Road • 706-546-1011 • [gtcmovies.com](http://gtcmovies.com)

First-run movies and repertory classics, plus live broadcasts of Metropolitan Opera performances. Food and drinks are available from the Outtakes kitchen and bar.

### Ciné

234 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-353-3343 • [athenscine.com](http://athenscine.com)

Our local cinema screens indie and foreign gems, as well as mainstream flicks. Classic and cult movies are shown alongside local offerings and film festivals. Craft beer, cocktails and soda are available. Snacks include local baked goods and yummy popcorn.

### Flicker Theatre & Bar

263 W. Washington St. • 706-546-0039 • [flickertheatreandbar.com](http://flickertheatreandbar.com)

The theater side of the local townie hangout has cult-oriented screenings hosted by local film enthusiasts, from horror to obscure foreign B-movies and beyond.

### Georgia Museum of Art

90 Carlton St. • 706-542-4662 • [uga.edu/gamuseum/calendar/films](http://uga.edu/gamuseum/calendar/films)

The museum occasionally presents films in conjunction with art exhibits, frequently introduced by a guest speaker.

### Tate Cinema

45 Baxter St. • 706-542-3816 • [tate.uga.edu](http://tate.uga.edu)

The campus theater plays second-run blockbusters and classics, hand-picked by the student union. Movies are open to the public for \$3.

### University 16 Cinemas

1793 Oconee Connector • 706-355-9152 • [gtcmovies.com](http://gtcmovies.com)

A sprawling multiplex with reclining seats and Georgia Theatre Extreme (GTX) technology. There's also a side theater with its own Outtakes bar and diner food.

## COMMUNITY THEATER

### Athens Little Playhouse

191 Alps Road • 706-521-4454 • [athenslittleplayhouse.net](http://athenslittleplayhouse.net)

ALP specializes in theater for kids ages 5–18, with classes, summer camps and performances in a cozy little theater within the Alps Village Shopping Center.

### Circle Ensemble Theatre Company

[circleensembletheatre.com](http://circleensembletheatre.com)

The company mounts plays and teaches classes and workshops for teens and adults in various locations. At press time, the group was undergoing a reorganization.

### Hands In!

706-389-0174 • [handsinpresents.org](http://handsinpresents.org)

Hands In! does original productions in American Sign Language for the deaf, with voice actors for the hearing.

### **Moonlight Theatre Company**

675 Pulaski St., Ste. 1400 • 706-424-2745 • [moonlighttheatrecompany.com](http://moonlighttheatrecompany.com)

This new company combines comedy, performance and classes in the intimate, 40-seat Rubber Soul Collective space at the Leathers Building.

### **Rose of Athens**

150 Fritz Mar Lane • 706-340-9181 • [roseofathens.org](http://roseofathens.org)

RoA has an off-off-Broadway-type warehouse home and focuses on education and theater, with performances for school groups.

### **Town & Gown Players**

115 Grady Ave. • 706-208-8696 • [townandgownplayers.org](http://townandgownplayers.org)

Founded in 1953 and nestled in the community theater building behind the Taylor-Grady House, T&G performs classics, musicals and avant-garde plays using multi-talented community volunteers.

## **PUBLIC THEATER**

### **Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services Department**

293 Gran Ellen Dr. & 195 W. Washington St. • 706-613-3628 • [athensclarkecounty.com/act&mortontheatre.com](http://athensclarkecounty.com/act&mortontheatre.com)

Operating since 1966, Athens Creative Theatre stages plays and conducts a variety of classes for adults and children in Memorial Park's Quinn Hall and in the Morton Theatre downtown. Leisure Services also manages the Morton, a renovated vaudeville hall that offers a full schedule of community and traveling events during the year.

### **The Classic Center**

300 N. Thomas St. • 706-357-4444 • [classiccenter.com](http://classiccenter.com)

In addition to its full schedule of conferences, receptions, civic gatherings and activities centered around its ice-skating rink, the Classic Center presents touring plays and performances in its 2,100-seat theater throughout the year. See ad on p. 6.

## **UNIVERSITY THEATER**

### **UGA Theatre**

255 Baldwin St. • 706-542-2836 • [ugatheatre.com](http://ugatheatre.com)

University Theatre mounts a season of plays each academic year in the classic, Art Deco Fine Arts Building on campus and is home to a variety of student groups, including the Thalian Blackfriars, Black Theatrical Ensemble, Improv Athens, Next Act and Children's Theatre Troupe.

## **NEARBY THEATER**

**Arts!Oglethorpe** (Crawford) • 706-202-1211 • [artsoglethorpe.org](http://artsoglethorpe.org)

**Aurora Theatre** (Lawrenceville) • 678-226-6222 • [auroratheatre.com](http://auroratheatre.com)

**Brightstone Productions** (Watkinsville) • 706-705-2599 • [brightstoneathens.com](http://brightstoneathens.com)

**Encore Productions** (Elberton) • 706-283-1049 • [elberttheatre.org](http://elberttheatre.org)

**Jefferson Community Theatre** (Jefferson) • 706-367-5714 • [jeffersoncommunitytheatre.com](http://jeffersoncommunitytheatre.com)

**Oconee Youth Playhouse** (Watkinsville) • 706-769-2677 • [oconeeplayhouse.com](http://oconeeplayhouse.com)

**On Stage Walton** (Monroe) • 678-635-8597 • [onstagewalton.org](http://onstagewalton.org)

**Winder-Barrow Community Theatre** (Winder) • 678-820-9228 • [winderbarrowtheatre.org](http://winderbarrowtheatre.org)

## **PERFORMANCE GROUPS**

**Athens Chamber Singers** • [athenschambersingers.org](http://athenschambersingers.org)

**Athens Children's Chorus** • [georgiachildrenschorus.org](http://georgiachildrenschorus.org)

**Athens Choral Society** • [athenschoralsociety.com](http://athenschoralsociety.com)

**Classic City Band** • [classiccitband.org](http://classiccitband.org)

**Athens Master Chorale** • [athensmasterchorale.org](http://athensmasterchorale.org)

**Athens Symphony** • [athenssymphony.org](http://athenssymphony.org)

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## 10 Things to Know About Athens Music

### 1. It's (Not) Only Rock and Roll

Athens is known for its contributions to the rock and roll canon—our lil' town birthed R.E.M., the B-52s, Pylon, Widespread Panic, Neutral Milk Hotel, of Montreal and Drive-By Truckers, among others—but there's a lot more going on locally. Hip hop continues to boom, with regular rap showcases found downtown and elsewhere. Roots music, including country and Americana, can be found just about everywhere. The Latinx scene is hot, too—more on that below.

### 2. Beware the 'Khaki Divide'

The running gag is that downtown is split into cultural halves by Lumpkin Street, with the eastern end's bars populated by frat boys rocking out to jammy cover bands, while the west is home to a more heterogeneous set of venues that cater to townies, misfits and curious college kids. (Think of the Georgia Theatre as a sort of DMZ.) The line is often blurred, but in general, this holds true.

### 3. Dance to Your Own Beat

There are plenty of opportunities to get down on the dance floor, including recurring DJ series—goth, EDM and emo nights are particularly popular with the collegiate set—not to mention silent disco, an international craze that has caught on in Athens over the past couple of years. Attendees pay to rent light-up headphones and dance to their own beat—as part of a crowd—all night long.

### 4. Early Birds Are Welcome

Athens shows were once infamous for starting absurdly late and ending after last call, but with crowds skewing older, thanks largely to Athens' growing reputation as a great place for retirees and families, local venues are offering earlier events, from the Georgia Theatre's summertime rooftop series to jazz nights at Hendershot's to singer-songwriter circles at The Foundry and more.

### 5. It's Kid-Friendly

As more Athenians start families, there's been an increased focus on kid-centric music. The leader of the pack is Nuçi's Space, a resource center that offers health services to musicians, plus rehearsal rooms and Camp Amped, where local youth learn to start their own bands. Girls Rock Athens operates a similar program for female and nonbinary kiddos, while Full Moon Studio's Oconee School of Rock serves nearby Watkinsville.

### 6. There's Culture on Campus

The University of Georgia's cultural programming is open to the public and well worth taking advantage of. The Performing Arts Center brings renowned classical and international artists to Hodgson Concert Hall, with the 2019-'20 schedule featuring Kronos Quartet with Masha Vahdat, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis and Béla Fleck and Abigail Washburn, among other marquee names.

### 7. Festivals Happen Year-Round

In spring, the Athens Human Rights Festival features two days of music downtown, and the Athens Spring Fling pops up on the Eastside. The hip hop- and gospel-centric Hot Corner Celebration takes place in early June, followed by our flagship event, AthFest, later that month. The punky SlopFest returns in July, and the North Georgia Folk Festival impresses each fall. The Wild Rumpus is a Halloween-time hoot. See Annual Events on p. 9 for more.

### 8. The Latin Scene Is Thriving

Once relegated to the fringes of the local scene, Latin music is a big deal in today's Athens. Several ongoing events feature some of the area's most talented Latinx musicians, including the annual LatinxFest and regular Latin Night series, featuring salsa, bachata and other styles at a rotating list of venues. Meanwhile, talented groups like Athens Tango Project and Bichos Vivos represent the sounds of South America.

### 9. Tune In to Turn On

You can hear local music all over the airwaves, starting with WUOG 90.5 FM, UGA's student-run station that broadcasts the weekly "Live in the Lobby" showcase. University-chartered NPR affiliate WUGA 91.7 and 94.5 FM airs classical performances, plus The Rotation, a group of shows focused on Athens music. And a Sunday-evening program on rock station Bulldog 93.3 often features local sounds.

### 10. flagpole Has You Covered

Trust us when we say that *Flagpole* is your No. 1 source for all things Athens music, from the weekly print edition and comprehensive events calendar to our online premieres, photo galleries and live reviews, to the annual *Flagpole* Athens Music Awards and beyond. Covering local music was our founding mission, and it remains an integral part of who we are and what we do.

## Music Venues

### Boar's Head Lounge

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Weekly open-mic jams, plus rock, country and cover bands.

### Caledonia Lounge

256 W. Clayton St. • 706-549-5577 • [caledonialounge.com](https://www.caledonialounge.com)

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### The Classic Center

300 N. Thomas St. • 706-357-4444 • [classiccenter.com](https://www.classiccenter.com)

The theater, Grand Hall and 440 Foundry Pavilion host big-ticket touring acts. See ad on p. 6.

### Flicker Theatre & Bar

263 W. Washington St. • 706-546-0039 • [flickertheatreandbar.com](https://www.flickertheatreandbar.com)

Hear a smartly booked selection of folk, indie and hip hop in the spiffed-up side room.

### 40 Watt Club

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### Georgia Theatre

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### UGA Performing Arts Center

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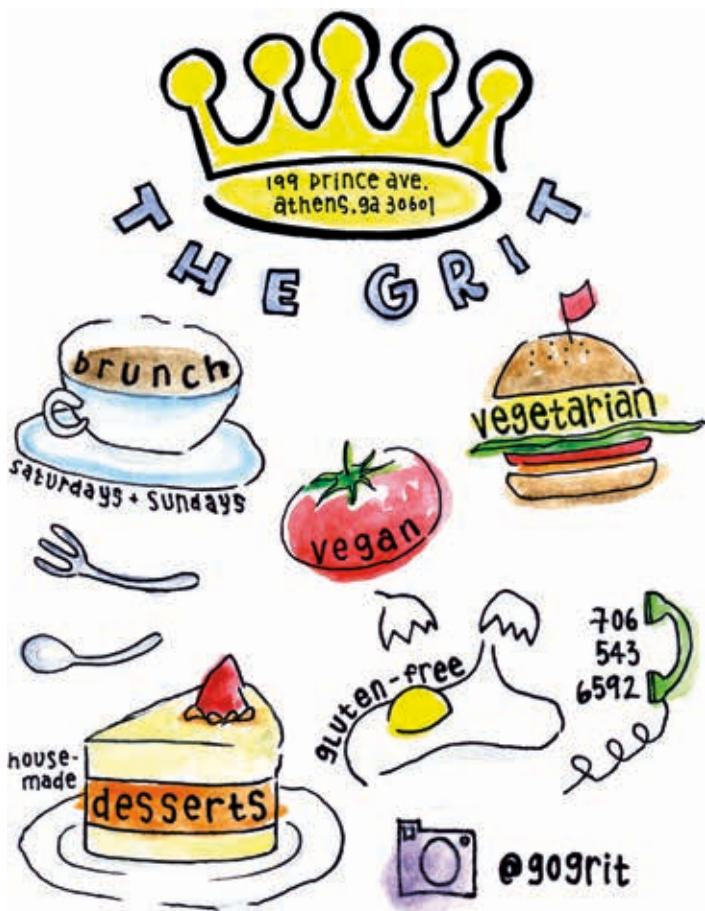
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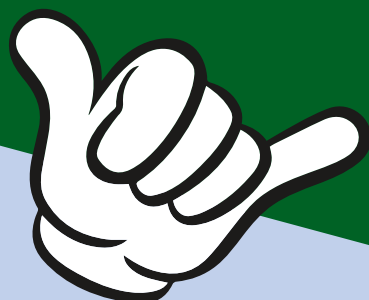


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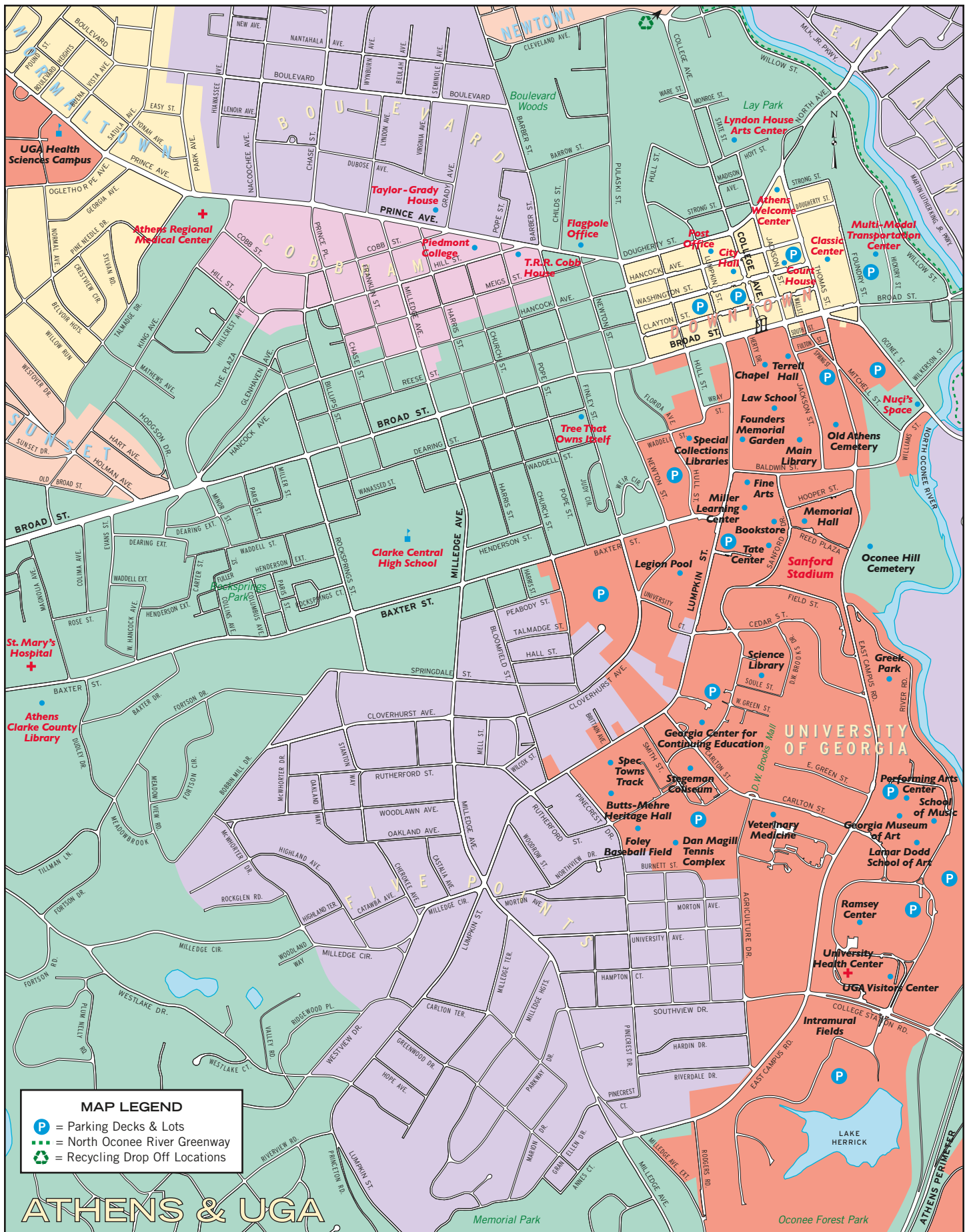
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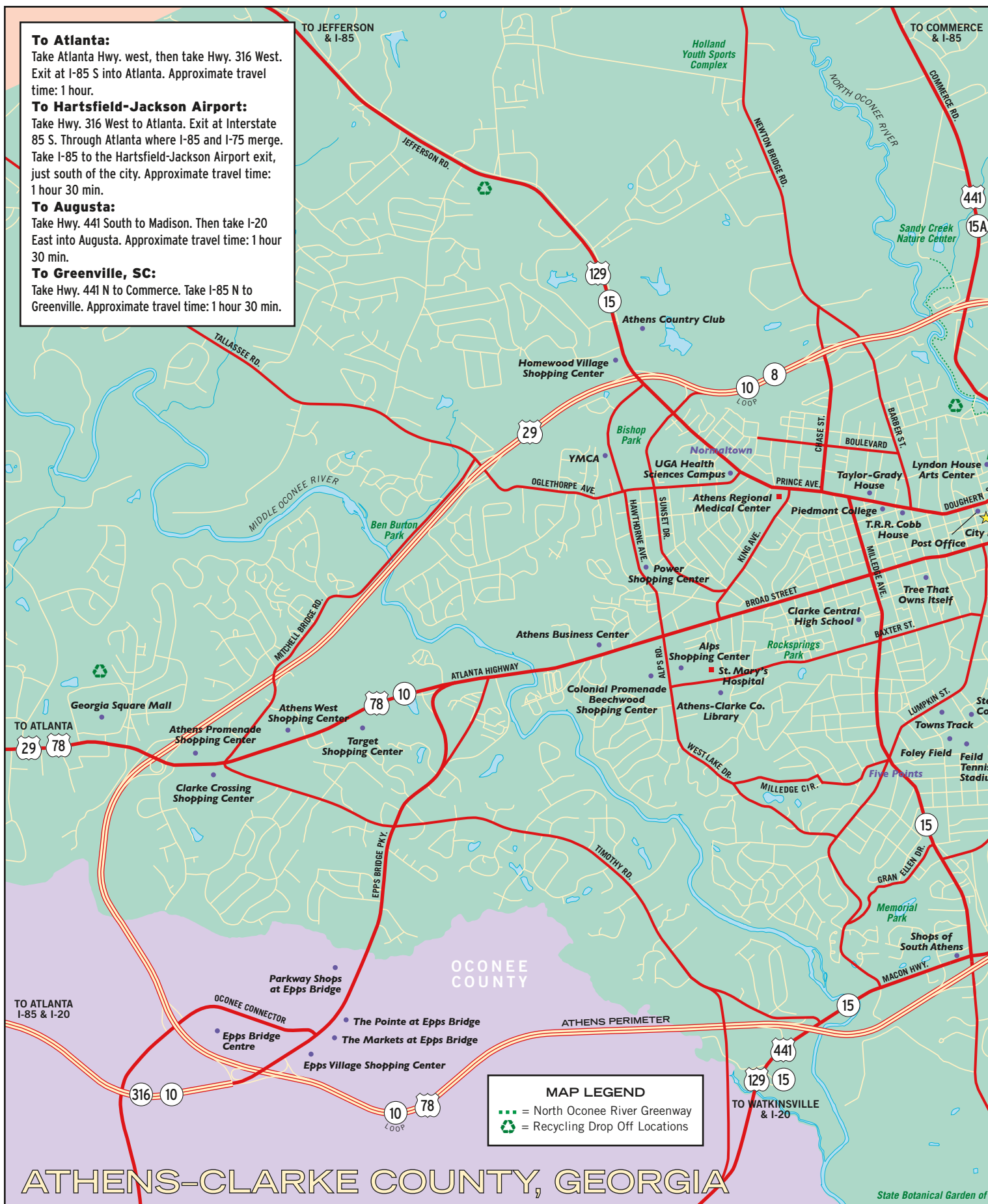
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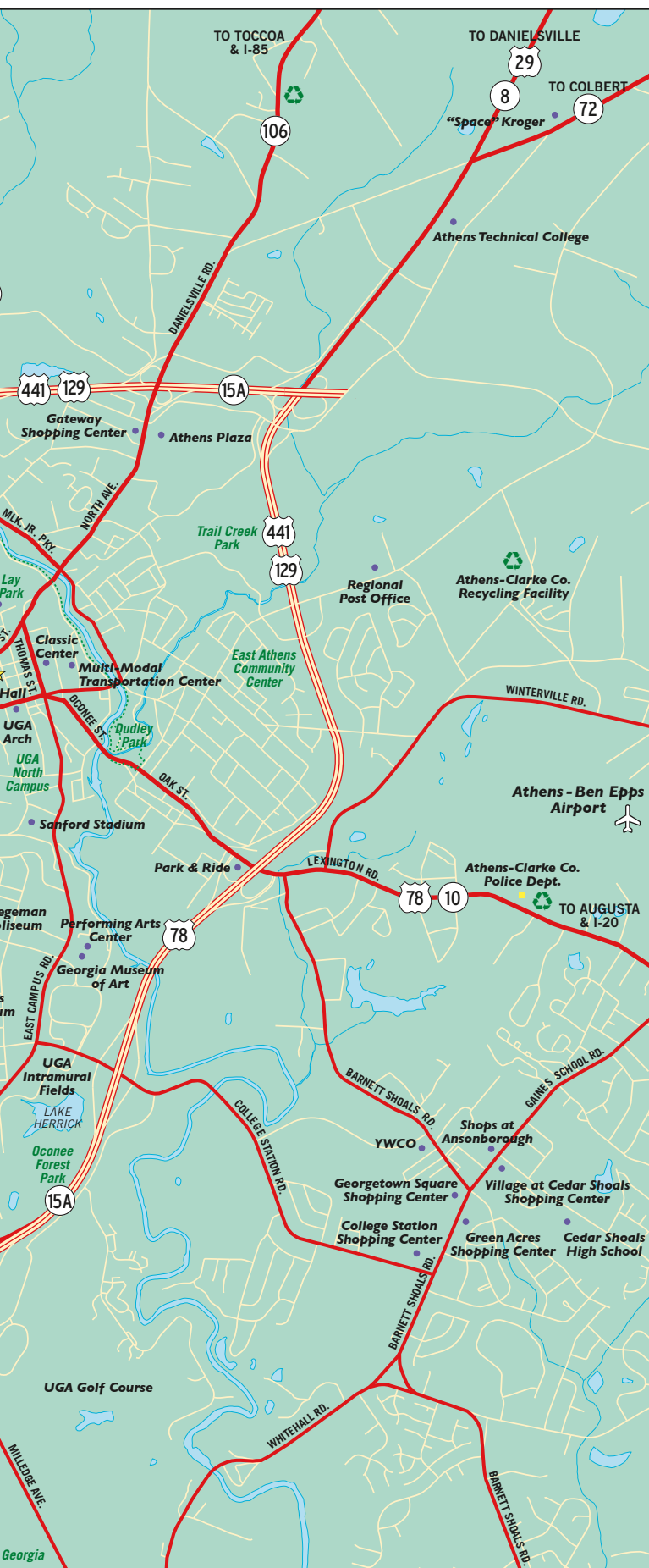
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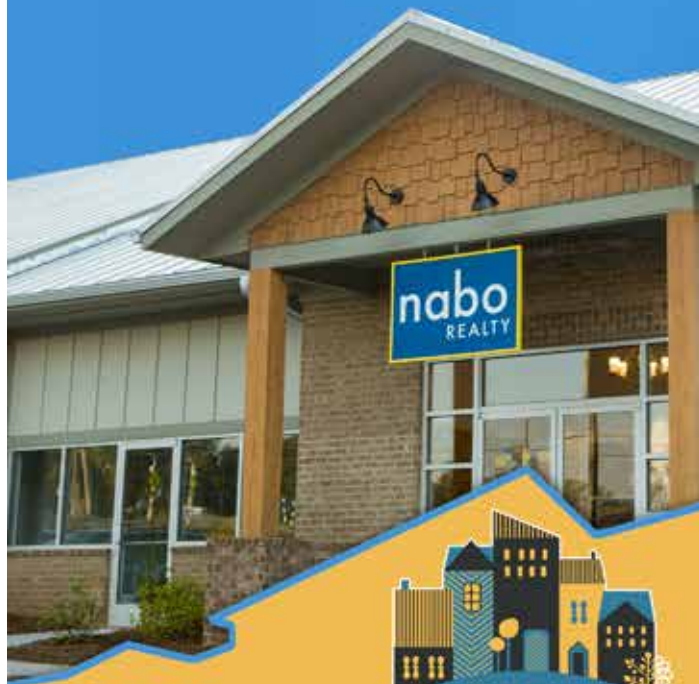
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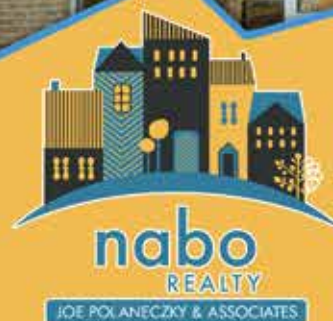
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# RESTAURANT & BAR LISTINGS

## 100 Proof

364 E. Broad St. • 706-850-8500

facebook.com/100proofathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** DJs, full bar, karaoke, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A staple of the downtown college scene with a variety of frozen drinks and a full-service tiki bar on the roof. **DRINKS:** Load up on "smurf juice," shots and bombs before dancing the night away under the neon palm trees. \$

## 1000 Faces Coffee

510 N. Thomas St. • 706-534-8860

1000facescoffee.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses. **HOURS:** 7 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** High-ceilinged, spare but impeccable space in a historic building, with both the local micro-roaster's production facilities and a cafe. **MENU:** Perfect, small-batch coffee, either pour-over or pre-made if you're in a hurry, plus beans, coffee accessories and baked goods by The Comerian. Pop-ups with doughnuts to benefit local charities and coffee-centric events. \$

## The 11th Pin

555 Macon Hwy. • 706-308-2008

11thpinathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, counter service. **HOURS:** Lunch, Sat–Sun. Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Counter inside Showtime Bowl; some tables, nearby arcade. **MENU:** Better versions of bar food/bowling alley standards: burgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches, wings, intensely loaded fries/tots/nachos, a burrito, garlic knots, pizza and a \$6 kids menu. **DRINKS:** Buckets of beers, some nice deep-cut craft choices. Wine, too. \$

## 9d's Bar

400 Clayton St. • 706-461-0268

facebook.com/9dsbar

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs/live music. **THE LOOK:** Millennials sweat it out on the dance floor to (mostly) '90s jams. **DRINKS:** Buy a tallboy, shot or mixed drink for dancing fuel. \$

## Add Drug Store

1695 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-548-2239

facebook.com/add.drug

**FILE UNDER:** American. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Sat. **FEATURES:** Counter service. **THE LOOK:** Soda fountain and lunch counter inside a Five Points pharmacy. Lots of Athens-centric nostalgia, with low prices to match. **MENU:** Biscuits and such during breakfast hours. Burgers, excellent slaw dogs, simple sandwiches (egg salad, tuna salad, pimento cheese, BLT) and small baskets of fresh, hot fries for lunch. There are also malts, milkshakes and floats, plus classic vanilla and cherry sodas. Everything is made mere feet in front of you. \$

## Agua Linda Mexican Restaurant & Cantina

2080 Timothy Road • 706-543-0154

1376 Prince Ave. • 706-543-1500

agualindarestaurant.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Friendly, family-owned restaurant with Normaltown and Timothy locations. **MENU:** Very popular with folks who consider fajitas the height of Mexican food, but you can also find horchata, Mexican-style tacos with al pastor or barbacoa, tortas and more. Kids menu. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, bottled and draft beer, micheladas (beer cocktails) and sangria. \$\$

## Ahi Hibachi & Poke

489 E. Clayton St. • 706-543-8898

ahihibachi.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Counter-service poke. **MENU:** There are lots of places to get poke, but this is one of the best, despite its unassuming atmosphere. Punch cards for repeat diners, vegetarian options, a bajillion fresh topping options, plus hibachi, fried rice, noodles and basic soups and salads. \$\$

## Akademia Brewing Co.

150 Crane Dr., Bogart • 678-726-2288

akademiabc.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Beer, live music, trivia. **HOURS:** 12–10 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** Large brewpub in a warehouse-type space, with a huge bar, a view of the tanks and crowlers to go. **MENU:** Some bar stuff, some nicer things (pork chop, grilled salmon). Beer is used as an ingredient. Good snacks, like fried cheese curds

\$	\$7 & under	Average Price of Entree
\$\$	\$8–\$12	
\$\$\$	\$13–\$17	
\$\$\$\$	\$18 & up	

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and fries served with dips. Good kids menu. Ramen nights. **DRINKS:** Craft beers made in house, as well as guest brews. Offerings change daily, with lots of interesting options. Available in flights. \$

### Allgood Lounge

256 E. Clayton St. • 706-549-0166  
allgoodlounge.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Opens at noon Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** A two-story bar with a mixed crowd and literally hundreds of drink options. Move from the downstairs space upstairs for a little pool, or to the patio and tiki bar. Be careful going down that spiral staircase! **DRINKS:** 20 rotating beers, 55 whiskeys, 18 tequilas and over 200 bottle beers, plus a build-your-own Bloody Mary bar daily, 12–9 p.m. \$

### Alumni Cookie Dough

480 N. Thomas St. • 706-254-9171  
alumnicookedough.com

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream, Something Different. **HOURS:** Roughly lunchtime to 10 or 11 p.m. (8 p.m. on Sundays). **THE LOOK:** Red and black, monograms. **MENU:** A bunch of different flavors of cookie dough by the scoop. Don't worry—it's safe to eat, or you can take it home and bake it. Ice cream, too. Jittery Joe's coffee, milkshakes (with cookie dough), sundaes and toppings. Some gluten-free. \$

### AMC Athens 12

1575 Lexington Road • 706-354-0584  
amctheatres.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** All 12 theaters have call buttons to order food and drink, plus there's a bar and dining area in the lobby, where you don't have to have tickets to eat. **MENU:** Candy and popcorn, yes, but also burgers, flatbreads, wings and milkshakes. **DRINKS:** Mostly domestics on draft, imports, domestics and local in the bottle, wine and full bar. \$\$

### American Deli

2139 W. Broad St. • 706-395-6615  
3700 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-543-3009  
1055 Gaines School Road • 706-714-1212  
1880 Epps Bridge Pkwy • 706-540-7707  
americandeli.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. \$

### Amici

233 E. Clayton St. • 706-353-0000  
amici-cafe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Pizza, Bars. **FEATURES:** Trivia, catering, outside seating, art, take-out, delivery, full bar, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Casual dining space with a long bar and brick walls. **MENU:** This small Georgia chain focuses mostly on pizza and wings, but also does sandwiches, pasta, salads and soup. Pizza of the month pushes the envelope in the toppings department (macaroni and cheese, a taco pizza called El Chido). **DRINKS:** Full bar with lots of draft choices. The Beer of the Month is usually a good craft brew. \$\$

### Applebee's

2226 W. Broad St. • 706-543-1339  
applebees.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, curbside pick-up. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. \$\$

### ARTini's Art Lounge

337 Prince Ave. • 706-353-8530  
artinisartlounge.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Bars. **FEATURES:** Art classes, parking. **THE LOOK:** Unwind with a group of friends at the town's only paint-and-sip. **DRINKS:** Beer, wine, sodas and bottled water. \$

### Athens Bagel Co.

268 N. Jackson St. • 706-543-5001  
athensbagel.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Locally owned bagel bakery with space to eat-in. **MENU:** Big, good bagels boiled and baked in-house in a wide variety of flavors. Top with hummus, butter (whipped, honey, peanut) or housemade cream cheese in flavors savory and sweet. Breakfast and lunch sandwiches on bagels: smoked pork, Reuben or housemade egg salad. \$

### Athens Pizza

2024 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-850-9292  
athenspizzas.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** South Milledge red-roofed building with tables for dine-in. **MENU:** Pizza with a wide variety of toppings, plus pasta (baked ziti, lasagna), subs, wings, calzones, salads and meatballs a la carte. \$

### Athens Wok

493 E. Clayton St. • 706-850-2695  
athenswokga.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Take-out, delivery, beer and wine. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Casual atmosphere, friendly owners. **MENU:** Thai, Chinese, Korean and Japanese quick-sauteed dishes made with chicken, steak, salmon, shrimp, vegetables or tofu, plus sushi. The Thai curries are some of the best things on the menu, but everything is fast and fresh. \$

### Athentic Brewing Company

108 Park Ave. • 706-206-2074  
authenticbrewing.com

**FILE UNDER:** Breweries. **FEATURES:** Beer. **THE LOOK:** Athens' newest brewery is in the historic Boulevard neighborhood and features a beer wall with self-serve taps. **DRINKS:** Creative craft brews, including the Insubedience black IPA. See ad on p. 49. \$



### Auntie's Home Cooking

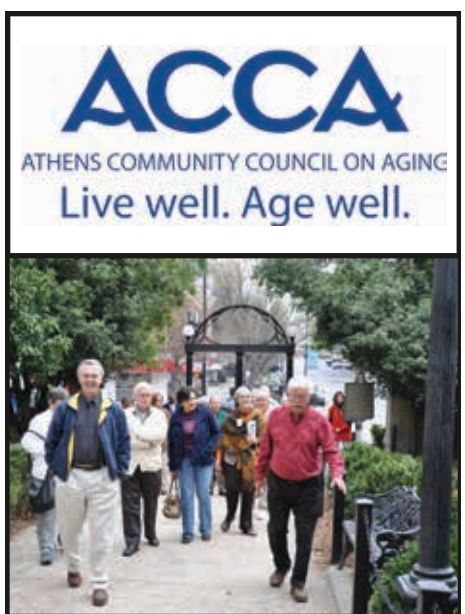
645 Danielsville Road • 706-255-6198

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Debit cards, cash, take-out. **HOURS:** 12–5 p.m., Fri–Sat. 12–4 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Small home-cooking place attached to a convenience store but with table seating. **MENU:** A classic meat-and-two menu, with a four-veggie plate should you prefer. Great cornbread dressing, mac and cheese, black-eyed peas, cabbage, fried chicken, baked ham, etc. \$

### Automatic Pizza

1397 Prince Ave. • 706-850-2037  
facebook.com/automaticpizzaathens

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, counter service, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Classy but not fancy pizza place with small but pleasant outdoor seating at picnic tables. **MENU:** Excellent, large, floppy slices or whole pies, topped with quality stuff,



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including great anchovies; good salads; nice subs on Luna bread; cannoli. Vegan-friendly. Gluten-free options. **DRINKS:** Local and mainstream draft beer, wine, half-pours for half-price and Sunday discounts. \$

### Bad Moon

246 E. Clayton St.

instagram.com/badmoonbar

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Delightfully Instagrammable neon walls and several TVs. Hit the light-up dance floor to a soundtrack from the '90s and early '00s. **DRINKS:** Choose from domestic and local standbys, or order a house specialty like the disco lemonade or 1.5-gallon Moscow mule. \$

### Bajan Delight

585 Vine St. • 706-850-9006

facebook.com/bajandelight

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Clean and simple. Order at the counter and eat in or take out. **MENU:** Barbadian deliciousness, especially the rich oxtail, which comes with rice and peas, plantains, cabbage, butterbeans and gravy. Also fried fish, burgers, wings and homemade cakes. \$

### Bar South

104 E. Washington St. • 706-850-1329

facebook.com/barsouthathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, live music. **THE LOOK:** Located near the Georgia Theatre, this roomy sports bar has plenty of TVs, pool tables, darts and foosball. **DRINKS:** Beer and mixed drinks across a wide range of taste and budget, appealing to students, alumni and visitors alike. \$

### The Bar-B-Que Shack

4320 Lexington Road • 706-613-6752

facebook.com/bbqshackathens

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Live music. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Thu–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Old-school barbecue establishment with picnic tables covered in checkered tablecloths. **MENU:** Chicken, pork and rib plates served with coleslaw, stew, chips and bread. Great sweet tea. Don't leave without trying the famous banana pudding. Thursday night bluegrass. \$\$

### Barberitos Southwestern Grille & Cantina

1880 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-354-0300

1739 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-548-1866

1860 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-549-9954

259 E. Clayton St. • 706-549-9008

2 S. Main St., Watkinsville • 706-705-1228

680 N. Hwy. 29 • 706-543-5299

barberitos.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer (Clayton St.), catering, outside seating, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Locally owned burrito chain. **MENU:** Health-oriented Mexican-ish fare, with seven options that have less than 7 grams of fat each. Customizable burritos, quesadillas, fajitas, tacos, nachos and salads, lots of veggies; vegetarian and vegan options. \$

### Barnes and Noble Café

3650 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-354-1195

barnesandnoble.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### Baskin-Robbins/Dunkin' Donuts

771 Prince Ave. • 706-548-3444

2081 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-769-8363

1055 Gaines School Road • 706-353-7166

1880 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-546-1635

935 Highway 29 N • 706-548-6338

dunkindonuts.com

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies, Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, Wi-Fi, counter service. **HOURS:** Vary by location. \$

### Bee's Knees Bakery & Gifts

1850 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-353-3633

beeskneesbakeryandgifts.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries, Sandwiches, Delivery. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service. **HOURS:** 9:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m., Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Cute and decorative, like the fancy cookies and cakes it offers. **MENU:** Custom-order desserts, or pick up something from the display case (cake, iced cookies, cupcakes, brownies, cake pops and more). Box lunches with a sandwich, cheese straws and a cupcake are available without pre-ordering. \$

### Beef 'O' Brady's

1860 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-850-1916

beefobradys.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Catering, outside seating, trivia, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### Bella Noche

2061 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-310-4414

bellanocheatkinsville.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian, Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Reservations, catering, beer and wine. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Quiet dining in a Watkinsville shopping center with a covered patio. **MENU:** Many Italian standards (arancini, bruschetta) but some Latin accents, too; lots of pasta choices, including gluten-free; kids menu and well-priced lunch specials. \$\$

### Ben & Jerry's Scoop Shop

105 College Ave. • 706-208-0031

benjerry.com/athens

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, counter service. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–11 p.m., Sun–Thu. 11 a.m.–12 a.m., Fri–Sat. \$

### Big City Bread Cafe

393 N. Finley Street • 706-353-0029

bigcitybreadcafe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries, Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** All-day restaurant with amazing dog-friendly patio and sidewalk chalk for kids. Big booths and art inside. **MENU:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, plus breads, pastries, cakes, special orders and more from the bakery. Really good



French toast and burgers, plus quiche, some bigger plates (fish and chips, veggie sauté), fries with blue cheese and garlic aioli and lots of healthy stuff. **DRINKS:** Small but nice selection of beer; wine by the glass or bottle. See ad on p. 41. \$\$

### Bill's Bar-B-Que

10010 Fortson Store Road, Hull • 706-549-4949

facebook.com/billsbarbeque

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Take-out, catering. **HOURS:**

Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Classic no-frills barbecue surroundings, plus vintage UGA memorabilia.

**MENU:** Bill's is known for hash (halfway between Brunswick stew and chopped pork), which you can get in a sandwich, and chicken mull, but also has slaw dogs, hash dogs, pork, beef, burgers, hush puppies and fried catfish. Sauce is vinegary and thin. Cokes in glass bottles. \$

### Billy Meadow's Station

6729 Hwy. 72, Colbert • 706-788-3517

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Take out, counter service. **HOURS:** 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Old-timey, with lots of taxidermied animal heads and novelty signs. **MENU:** Perfect steamed hot dogs served in a toasted bun. Get the coleslaw. Also offers classic sandwiches like grilled cheese, corned beef and chicken salad. \$

### Birrieria & Taqueria Jalisco

494 Broad St., Nicholson • 678-767-2912

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Unfancy restaurant attached to a convenience store in Nicholson. **MENU:** There are tacos and grilled meats and standards, but the real attraction here is the birria, a meaty stew highlighting goat or lamb, darkly spicy with ancho chiles. Goat and lamb cooked similarly can also make for good taco fillings or sope toppings. Salsas in the cooler. \$

### Blazer's-N-Hull

1462 Glenn Carrie Road, Hull • 706-208-0705

blazers-n-hull.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Take-out, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Little red stand that serves wings and chicken fingers to go. Walk up, call ahead or order online. **MENU:** Boneless or traditional wings, available with 13 sauces (lemon pepper, honey mustard, sweet and sour) and in bulk. Also: burgers, corn dogs, meaty salads, onion rings, fries and fried apple pies on the side. Other locations are in Statham, Lexington, Commerce, Elberton, Hartwell and Royston. \$

### Blind Pig Tavern

312 E. Washington St. • 706-548-3442

2440 W. Broad St. • 706-208-7979

2301 College Station Road • 706-850-4919

blindpigtavern.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Catering, outside seating, trivia, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Longtime Athens sports bar. **MENU:** Tasty bar food with good vegetarian choices: burgers, wings, sandwiches, fried pickles, fish tacos, barbecue and chili cheese fries. "Fat" Tuesdays bring po'boys, Cajun burgers and more. Downtown lunch attracts lawyers and other types in suits. **DRINKS:** Beer on tap and in bottles, including local brews. Standard cocktails plus a Bloody Mary bar on Saturday and Sunday. \$\$

### Blue Sky

128 College Ave. • 706-850-3153

blueskyatens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** The cozy bar above Walker's appeals to students and townies alike with a view of North Campus and a rooftop patio. A lengthy drink selection includes seasonal and limited offerings. **DRINKS:** 300+ craft beers, 100+ scotches, a wide selection of whiskeys and wine from all over. Original mixed drinks are on the menu, too. \$

### Boar's Head Lounge

260 E. Washington St. • 706-369-3040

instagram.com/boarsheadlounge

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A multi-level bar with plenty of space for students to party. Pool, beer pong, popcorn machines and more inside. Live music outside every Thursday and on game days. **DRINKS:** Regular specials on already inexpensive drafts and wells. \$

### Bone Island Grillhouse

2055 Oconee Connector • 706-623-0255

boneislandgrillhouse.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Upscale-ish surf-and-turf is a rare independent restaurant in the Epps Bridge area. **MENU:** Fried and grilled seafood and steaks, plus sandwiches, a whole bunch of American restaurant-style apps, Key lime pie and a tasty house salad dressing it sells bottled. Kids menu. **DRINKS:** Plenty of beer in bottle and on draft. Tropical and other specialty drinks by the glass or pitcher. \$\$\$

### Bourbon Street

333 E. Broad St. • 706-369-1313

twitter.com/BourbonStAth

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Chug through Power Hour and party New Orleans-style all night (or at least until 2 a.m.). Pool upstairs. **DRINKS:** Cheap beer, nightly specials and liquor drinks, including hurricanes and fishbowls. \$

### Bread Basket

723 Boulevard • 706-548-3412

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. Breakfast, Sat. **THE LOOK:** Counter with a few booths inside a neighborhood convenience store. Known as the Jesus Biscuit to some. **MENU:** Fat biscuits with sausage, ham, eggs, tenderloin, cheese, gravy and more. Grits, eggs or hashbrowns on the side. Perfect hangover cure. Rotating lunch items include corn dogs, chicken fingers, pork chops and fish on Fridays. \$

### Brett's Casual American Restaurant

3190 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-850-1395

brettscasualamerican.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, curbside pick-up, catering, outside seating, delivery, take-out, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Family-friendly independent fast-casual. **MENU:** The kitchen makes pretty much everything from scratch, including the salad dressings, on a large menu that goes from artichoke dip to tilapia. Want a Monte Cristo? Fish tacos? Bison burger? Gluten-free choices? They have all that, plus kids meals. \$

### Bubble Café

154 College Ave. • 706-355-3002

bubblecafeathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, take-out, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Tiny, cute eatery hidden below street level downtown. **MENU:** Bubble tea, as you'd expect, but also gyoza, some hearty noodle soups, tasty Taiwanese-style snacks and rice bowls. Prepackaged snacks by the register. Fast and inexpensive. \$

### Buddha Bar

431 E. Broad St. • 706-208-7017

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**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **THE LOOK:** Chant with the bartender while pounding sake bombs off chopsticks with your friends. Skee-Ball in the back! **DRINKS:**

Sake bombs, including the Kill Bill bomb with Red Bull, lychee martinis, shots and beer. \$

### Bulldawg Pizza, Wings & More

2026 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-355-3294

bulldawgpizzaandmore.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly.

**FEATURES:** Counter service, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** No-frills restaurant with booth seating in a shopping center. **MENU:** Order pizzas as big as 24 inches in diameter online, with up to 20 toppings, as well as wings (15 sauces), hot and cold subs, calzones, fried apps, pasta, salads, breadsticks and dessert. \$

### Burgerim

351 E. Broad St. • 706-850-3061

burgerim.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:**

Delivery, take-out, counter service. **THE LOOK:** Bright and shiny franchise with Coca-Cola Freestyle and a lot of screens. **MENU:** Lots of different kinds of burgers (including a couple of veggie options) and toppings, plus chicken, salads, fries sliced like chips and milkshakes. \$

### Butt Hutt Bar-B-Q

480 Macon Hwy. • 706-850-8511

butthuttathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Bar-like barbecue joint. **MENU:** Consistently good pulled pork and ribs, even without sauce. Sides are reliably tasty, too: potato salad with bacon, chicken mull, corn nuggets, fried okra, meat skins. Kids menu. **DRINKS:** Beer, liquor, margaritas and Bloody Marys. \$

### Buvez

585 Barber St. • 706-850-0172

facebook.com/buvezathens

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Bars, Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast to 8 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** High ceilings, cool kids area, indoor porch swing and trains out the window. **MENU:** Eats are on the lighter side: pastries and soft pretzels by The Comerian, hard-boiled eggs, sandwiches, cheese plates, snoballs and snacks by the scoop. Coffee and tea, plus interesting sodas. **DRINKS:** Draft and bottled/canned craft beers, wine, craft cocktails made with beer and wine, aperitifs, boozy snoballs. \$

### Cabin Creek BBQ

199 Memorial Dr., Nicholson • 706-757-2267

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**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–8 p.m., Fri–Sat. 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Big, open space high on a hill in Nicholson. **MENU:** Some of the best barbecue around, including excellent ribs and chicken mull. Brisket, pork and chicken, too, and peach cobbler for dessert. Sundays bring a buffet with more country-cooking-style food, like chicken pot pie, fried okra and sweet potatoes. Holiday specials. \$

### Caborita

1155 Mitchell Bridge Road • 706-850-7300

facebook.com/caborita.athens

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American. **FEATURES:**

Outside seating, full bar, delivery, take-out, live music. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Big, two-floor space with a second-floor deck and a winding staircase. **MENU:** Lots of Americanized Mexican standards, some made with fresh avocado. Yucca fries, tacos, chiles rellenos,



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burgers, nachos and jarritos. Taco Thursdays. **DRINKS:** Lots of margs, beer (draft and bottled), full bar. \$

### Cakewalk

688 S. Milledge Ave. • 813-917-5689

cakewalk-sweets-coffee-gifts.business.site

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Tue–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Small shop in a big old house, with lots of gift items for sale. **MENU:** Whole cakes by Savvy Cakes and Hoosier Girl, if you order ahead, but also cake by the slice, cute cookies, coffee, tea, gooey bars, baklava, Italian chocolates and more. Free samples. \$

### Cali 'N' Tito's Eastside

1254 Cedar Shoals Dr. • 706-355-7087

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, beer and wine, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** A kid's paradise, with coin-operated children's rides, old video games, an airplane hanging from the ceiling, tricycles, a full-size fountain and much more. **MENU:** Similar menu to the original on Lumpkin, with tweaked Peruvian specialties. La Michoacana... es Natural operates a booth with ice cream, paletas and street snacks inside the restaurant. \$\$

### Cali 'N' Tito's

1427 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-227-9979

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American, Vegetarian Friendly, Cash and Checks Only. **FEATURES:** BYOB, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Magical wonderland that continually changes. Most seating is outside, but a lot of it is covered. **MENU:** Latin American food with a Peruvian influence and big portions: plantains (sweet and savory), steak and fries, tacu tacu (rice and beans topped with eggs), fish burrito, great empanadas and more. Lots of veggie choices. Show up early if the weather's nice; the lines can get long. Small fee to BYOB; ATM in the gas station next door. \$\$

### Carrabba's Italian Grill

3194 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-546-9938

carrabbas.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Full bar, curbside pick-up. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. Lunch, Sat and Sun. \$\$\$

### The Carriage House of Athens

3755 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-546-0385

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**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner. **THE LOOK:** Second location of the Jefferson restaurant, in the former Sonny's. **MENU:** The original is all-you-can-eat Southern-style cooking, plus a la carte ordering, with a breakfast buffet as well as lunch and dinner, and we can expect something similar. \$

### Catch 22 Gastropub

1021 Parkway Blvd. • 706-549-6333

catch22gp.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Gastropub with a quirky attitude. **MENU:** Creative bar food with an emphasis on intense flavors, like tacos with jerk tuna, arugula, cheese, avocado, sriracha soy and wasabi honey mustard. Fun snacks, lots of specials and a cute kids menu. **DRINKS:** Serious about beer, with more than 20 brews on draft and even more canned (gose, witbier, many IPAs), plus regular beer dinners and tastings. Other locations in Helen and Mt. Juliet. \$\$

### Cecilia Villaveces Cakes

610 N. Milledge Ave. • 706-543-3308

ceciliascakes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering. **HOURS:** Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Family-owned cake bakery that supplies many restaurants. **MENU:** All cakes are made to order. Specialty and wedding cakes require more advance notice and can be custom-designed. Popular flavors include lemon, tres leches, hummingbird, mocha, caramel, coconut and red velvet. Purchase only. No seating. \$\$

### Centro Bar

400 E. Clayton St.

instagram.com/centrobarathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outdoor seating. **THE LOOK:** Watch football on a big screen and sign up for the weekly beer pong tournament. A balcony with its own bar wraps around the main floor. **DRINKS:** Full bar with specialty drinks like the East Clayton lemonade and key lime pie shots. \$

### Champy's Famous Fried Chicken

1120 Baxter St. • 706-850-3092

champyschicken.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Full bar, take-out, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Delta-style juke joint with crazy, chicken-themed yard art. **MENU:** Fried chicken is the main offering, but don't miss the Delta hot tamales, served with slaw and saltines. Other fried food, like jalapenos, pickle spears, green tomatoes and catfish, plus frogs' legs and wings. **DRINKS:** 40s of beer, plus local beer on tap and a full bar. \$

### Charlie Graingers

1791 Oconee Connector • 706-521-5767

charliegraingers.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Counter service, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. Lunch, Sun. **THE LOOK:** Regional chain with an Epps Bridge outpost. **MENU:** Barbecue, hot dogs, sandwiches and more American faves. \$

### Cheddar's Casual Cafe

2040 Oconee Connector • 706-353-0217

cheddars.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### Chef Ming

1720 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-552-3233

chefmingathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A shopping-center space that feels more elegant than it should. **MENU:** Lots of Cantonese standards prepared with a lighter touch and less grease than your usual strip-mall eatery. Singapore noodles, seafood with eggplant, roast duck and lunch specials. \$\$

### Chili's Grill & Bar

183 Alps Road • 706-613-5405

chilis.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, curbside pick-up, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### China 1

2026 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-850-7788

chinaoneathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Counter service, catering, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Quick service is key at this small Chinese restaurant that focuses on to-go food. **MENU:** Lo mein, pancit, teriyaki, egg

foo young, sweet and sour, moo shu and meat entrees, plus chef's special Cantonese dishes. \$

### China Star Super Buffet

3567 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-316-3382

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Eight buffet tables, including a sushi bar and a hibachi area. Take-out priced by the pound. **MENU:** Choose from over 300 Chinese, American and Japanese dishes from the buffets or order off the menu of mostly Americanized Chinese standards. Crab legs are available daily after 4 p.m. \$

### China Wok

2475 Jefferson Road • 706-353-3399

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **THE LOOK:** Limited seating and no frills, mostly to-go orders. **MENU:** Americanized quick-service Chinese dishes, including chop suey, lo mein, mai fun, moo shu and egg fu yung, make up the primary order of business here. \$

### Chipotle

165 Alps Road • 706-548-7210

chipotle.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Choo Choo Japanese Korean Grill Express

1055 Gaines School Road • 706-543-8888

choochoorestaurants.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and sake, delivery, trivia, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Counter service, big booths. **MENU:** Generous servings of Korean and Japanese noodle and rice entrees with chicken, steak, salmon, shrimp or tofu. More traditional dishes include bibimbap, bulgogi and tonkatsu. Korean tacos come stuffed with jae yuk (marinated pork), kimchi or calamari. Popular with the late-night crowd. \$

### Chops and Hops

2 S. Main St., Watkinsville • 706-310-1101

335 E. Clayton St.

chopsandhops.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, reservations, outside seating, Wi-Fi, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Watkinsville location is an upscale, two-floor space, with a big bar with TVs. Downtown Athens location coming in the fall. **MENU:** Steaks and beer are the emphasis, but the kitchen also loves vegetables. Menu changes frequently but includes good burgers, salads and sandwiches. Kids menu. **DRINKS:** Well-priced and well-chosen selection of beer and wine, tap takeovers and craft cocktails. \$\$\$

### Chuck E. Cheese's

3654 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-353-6715

chuckecheese.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### Chuck's Fish

220 W. Broad St. • 706-395-6611

chucksfish.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Catering, full bar, outdoor seating, reservations. **HOURS:** Dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Upscale Gulf seafood from the owners of Five Bar, in the renovated historic Greyhound station. **MENU:** Fish changes depending on the catch in from Destin, FL. Fried shrimp, seared scallops, surf and turf, chicken (if you must),

East Asian-accented apps (brussels sprouts with kimchi, shishito peppers) and sushi. **DRINKS:** Signature cocktails with sake or Japanese whisky, wine, some craft and domestic beers. \$\$\$

### Cici's Pizza

3190 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-613-2424

cicis.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering, counter service, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Ciné

234 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-353-3343

athenscine.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, movies, art. **THE LOOK:** Athens' only indie movie theater features an art gallery, two screens, a lab/meeting room and bar. **DRINKS:** Thoughtful selection of beer and wine, plus liquor and fun movie-themed cocktails. Coffee, tea, sodas, local baked goods and fresh-popped popcorn. \$

### Cinnaholic

140 W. Broad St. • 706-608-9100

cinnaholic.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Vegan. **FEATURES:** Counter service, catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### City Bar

220 College Ave. • 706-546-7612

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Watch sports on big-screen TVs in a historic space with marble accents and chandeliers. Daily drink deals. **DRINKS:** The usual selection of beer, seltzers and shots. \$

### Clarke's Standard

225 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-5152

clarkesathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Catering, full bar, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Preppy but not totally monogrammed. **MENU:** Burgers (build your own, with a gluten-free bun if needed), sandwiches, new flatbreads, some nice salads, all made better than they need to be. Good pickles. Desserts by Kiki's Bakeshop. **DRINKS:** Long list of bottled beer, plus a selection of wine and cute cocktails. \$\$\$

### Clocked!

259 W. Washington St. • 706-548-9175

clockeddiner.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Fri–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Hipster diner with vintage lamps, old movies on the TV. **MENU:** Burgers are the main attraction, made with all-natural, humanely raised, antibiotic-free beef and creative toppings: bacon jam, peanut butter, onion rings, feta, fried eggs and more. Tots and shakes are popular. Gluten-free and vegan options, like veggie frites. **DRINKS:** Boozy milkshakes hang out on the specials menu. \$\$

### Cloud

164 E. Clayton St. • 706-613-7771

facebook.com/cloudathensga

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **THE LOOK:** Head upstairs to the rainbow-lit bubble wall bar. With a spacious layout, pool, TV and laser lights, this makes a great spot for groups to party. **DRINKS:** Full bar with all the shots and bombs you could ask for. \$

### Condor Chocolates

1658 S Lumpkin St. • 706-850-4803

condorchocolates.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses, Something Different. **HOURS:** Open seven days. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** Cool space with Aztec motifs on the walls. Operations are fully visible. **MENU:** Created by Peter and Nick Dale, this artisanal chocolate shop sells truffles, chocolate bars and bon bons and offers drinking chocolate, coffee, gelato, salted caramel brownies, ice cream sandwiches and homemade honeycomb candy. Selection is constantly evolving and includes vegan options. \$

### Cook Out

1020 Jordan Dr. • 706-425-8662

1917 W. Broad St.

cookout.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Courtyard Café

1197 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-338-8781

georgiacenter.uga.edu/uga-hotel/dining

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Counter service, outside

seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. **THE LOOK:** Cafeteria inside the UGA Hotel. Validated parking for up to one hour is available at the South Campus Parking Deck. **MENU:** Breakfast in the a.m., made-to-order deli sandwiches in the p.m. Southern standards from a steam table and a soup and salad bar on weekdays. Coffee, muffins and bagels are available around the corner at Georgia Java. Under renovation in summer 2019 but still open for business. \$

### Cozy Bar

179 N. Jackson St. • 706-543-8898

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Thu–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Tucked away on Jackson Street downtown, with paper lanterns and flowers on tables. Food is sometimes available. **DRINKS:** Domestics and various Asian beers. Wine too. \$

### Cracker Barrel Old Country Store

1913 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-208-0304

crackerbarrel.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$\$

### Craft Public House

1040 Gaines School Road • 706-850-4363

craftathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Gastropub in the Ansonborough mixed-use development on the Eastside. **MENU:** There are lots of veggies and seafood (watermelon salad, poké, mussels), but plenty of meaty stuff, as well. Vegan and gluten-free items are highlighted, with lots of options for substitutes. **DRINKS:** Craft beer available on draft, in bottle or can, plus a nice selection of wines and cocktails and a housemade blood-orangecello. \$\$\$

### Crazy Dough's Pizza

115 Hickory St. • 706-395-4458

crazydoughs.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian And Pizza. **FEATURES:** Take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Modern pizza chain. **MENU:** Big slices, cane sugar-sweetened sodas, free delivery for people who live in The Mark. \$



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### **Creature Comforts Brewery**

271 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-410-1043

creaturecomfortsbeer.com

**FILE UNDER:** Breweries. **FEATURES:** Beer, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A large, semi-industrial space inside a historic building downtown. The Athens Farmers Market sets up Wednesdays. The brewery also hosts art, music and food trucks. **DRINKS:** Popular year-round offerings include Tropicalia, Athena and Classic City Lager. Limited and seasonal beers are usually available. Purchase cans on-site to take home. \$

### **Cutters Pub**

120 E. Clayton St. • 706-353-9800

facebook.com/CuttersPubAthens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** One of the largest pubs in town also opens earlier than a lot of bars on Clayton, with a mixed crowd. Play pool, Skee-Ball, Golden Tee, foosball or darts. Make faces with friends in the photo booth, or watch a game on TV. **DRINKS:** Huge whiskey selection, Guinness on tap. See ad on p. 23. \$



### **D.P. Dough**

180 W. Broad St. • 706-842-2828

dpdough.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Delivery, take-out, catering, counter service, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. \$

### **D92 Korean BBQ**

1080 Baxter St. • 706-850-7990

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Something Different. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Sleek, with quiet, powerful fans atop each table and a ton of TVs playing K-Pop videos. **MENU:** Grilled meats (mostly beef, pork and chicken) cooked on your table with cheese, corn and eggs, plus a healthy selection of banchan (free snacks, including kimchi, noodles and more). Don't want the barbecue? There are noodles hot and cold, rice bowls, Korean fried chicken and fun popsicles. **DRINKS:** Japanese whisky, shochu and other unusual selections. \$\$

### **Dawg Gone Good BBQ**

224 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-613-9799

dawggonegood.net

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Fri–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Super-friendly; not fancy. Picnic tables out front, but some seating inside. A popular choice when downtown late. **MENU:** Ribs, barbecue chicken, pulled pork sandwiches and sausage dogs, plus sides like baked-potato salad, spinach supreme, yams, coleslaw, baked beans and mac and cheese. \$

### **DePalma's Italian Cafe**

2080 Timothy Road • 706-552-1237

1965 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-369-0085

401 E. Broad St. • 706-354-6966

depalmasitaliancafe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Classic Italian good for a date or a casual lunch. **MENU:** Each location is a little different, but all have

pizza, pasta, salad and classic desserts like zuppa inglese. The menu expands at dinner, with regular specials (lasagna of the day) and more upscale entrees. Vegan, vegetarian, dairy-free and gluten-free options; kids menu. **DRINKS:**

Long wine list with many Italian reds. Beers ranging from the regular to "really good." See ad on p. 2. \$\$

### **Diablo's Southwest Grill**

1791 Oconee Connector • 706-543-3399

diabloswsouthwestgrill.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, take-out. \$

### **Dickey's Barbecue Pit**

2131 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-705-1326

dickeys.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### **Di'lishi Frozen Yogurt Bar**

1791 Oconee Connector • 706-208-1170

facebook.com/dilishiatheathens

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies, Coffee Houses. **HOURS:** Seven days, until 9 or 10 p.m. in the summer. \$

### **Dolce Vita Trattoria Italiana**

323 E. Broad St. • 706-353-3911

facebook.com/dolcevitatrattoriaitaliana

**FILE UNDER:** Italian. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, reservations, catering. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Second-floor restaurant with a great view of UGA's North Campus. **MENU:** Red sauce on housemade pasta and more: carpaccio, good salads, daily risotto, grilled tuna and mussels. Cannoli, tiramisu and gelato finish off your meal. Kids menu. **DRINKS:** Italian wine, of course. \$\$\$

### **Dominick's Italian**

1430 Capital Ave., Watkinsville • 706-769-6255

dominicksitalian.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian. **FEATURES:** Catering, full bar, reservations, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Family-style upscale Italian in small chain. **MENU:** Classics like eggplant parmigiana, lasagna, stuffed pork chops, chicken saltimbocca and steaks, most available in full or half servings. Express lunch special, sandwiches, kids menu. **DRINKS:** Big wine list, Italian margaritas, beers, regular wine dinners. \$\$\$

### **Donderos' Kitchen**

590 N. Milledge Ave. • 706-354-8688

donderoskitchen.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. Weekend brunch. **THE LOOK:** Comfy restaurant in a historic house. Very family-friendly, with a well-stocked playroom. **MENU:** Hot breakfast and lunch to order until 2 p.m. Open later on weekdays for pick-up of pre-made items. Lots of veggie stuff, some vegan. Brunch on the weekends. To-go meals in the fridge and the freezer include breakfast stratas, casseroles, desserts and more. Holiday special orders. Walkers, bikers and bus riders get a 5 percent discount. \$

### **Donna Chang's**

1664 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-215-9100

donnachangs.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Full bar, take-out, vegetarian friendly, outside seating. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Tight quarters that are cool without being off-puttingly hip. **MENU:** Gourmet versions of Americanized Chinese food (mu shu, chow mein). Striving not for authenticity, but for fun. Major love for vegetables, nice small plates, beautiful ice creams for dessert, amazing eggplant fries. **DRINKS:** Fun, intelligently picked and described wine list; a few nice beers; fancy cocktails that can be a little retro. \$\$

### **Dos Palmas Restaurant & Cantina**

3523 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-353-7771

athens-dospalmas.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Big, beachy mural; chill atmosphere in a shopping center. **MENU:** Americanized Mexican staples: tacos, burritos, nachos, fajitas, quesadillas, big burritos, enchiladas, queso, fish tacos, fried ice cream. **DRINKS:** Margaritas and more than 30 tequilas, some draft beers, more in bottles. \$\$

### **Double Barrel**

429 E. Broad St.

instagram.com/doublebarrelathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A college bar named for Athens' famous double-barreled cannon. TVs to watch sports and low prices. **DRINKS:** The usual suspects, plus specialty cocktails like the Bacon Watson. \$

### **Doughby's Pizza and More**

50 N. Main St., Watkinsville • 706-705-6500

facebook.com/DoughbysPizza

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Look for the psychedelic bus painted with a pizza theme out front. Good patio. **MENU:** Pizza, of course, including gluten-free options, but also fried apps, wings, salads, subs, wraps, a wide selection of pastas and Italian desserts. Cornhole outside. Curbside pickup. **DRINKS:** Big beer selection, wine and cocktails. \$

### **Earth Fare Café**

1689 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-227-1717

earthfare.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Buffet, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Restaurant inside the grocery store. Great deals for kids meals. **MENU:** Much better than the average grocery store restaurant. Lots of variety, all with a natural emphasis: salads with organic ingredients, sushi, fresh-made sandwiches and a hot bar, plus smoothies, juice, coffee, soups and baked goods. \$\$

### **Eddie's Calzones**

265 E. Clayton St. • 706-549-9676

eddiescalzones.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Counter service, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. \$

### **El Barrio**

1331 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-850-0708

elbarrioathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, vegetarian friendly. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Renovated house in Five Points with mostly outdoor seating, tattoo-inspired murals and a putting green. **MENU:** Tacos from the dudes behind The Pine. Housemade tortillas, fajitas, guac, churros, Jarritos, etc. Happy hour on tacos 4–6 p.m. daily. Kids menu. **DRINKS:**



Tons of tequilas and mezcal, housemade sangria, craft and domestic beers. **\$\$**

### El Zarco

650 W. Broad St. • 706-850-2010

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Take-out. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–9 p.m., Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Cozy, family-run Mexican restaurant with sarapes on the walls. **MENU:** Lots of standards, but also homemade corn tortillas, al pastor with pineapple and good specials on the weekends, including different moles. Check the dessert board to see if churros are on offer. Horchata, hibiscus and tamarindo to drink on weekends. **\$**

### Em's Kitchen

975 Hawthorne Ave. • 706-206-9322

emskitchenathawthorne.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. Saturday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Cute, cozy, family-run eatery inside Hawthorne Drugs, with lots of children's books to read. **MENU:** Breakfast has plates, biscuits, omelets, pancakes and baked goods. Brunch adds quiche, Benedict and more. Lunch is mostly classic sandwiches (chicken salad, pimento cheese, egg salad) but also a good Cuban and a pimento-cheese BLT with pepper jelly. See ad on p. 41. **\$**



### The Expat

1680 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-521-5041

theexpatathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Bars, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Reservations, outside seating, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch, Tue–Sat. Dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Simply decorated renovated house. Upstairs bar with its own snacks. **MENU:** French-ish and refined: chicken liver pâté, charcuterie, gougères, rabbit ragout, soufflé, intensely good cheese. Lunch includes burgers (beef or veggie), grain bowl, pasta and more. **DRINKS:** High-end cocktails with forward-thinking ingredients and a long wine list by the glass and bottle. **\$\$\$\$**

### The Falls

8851 Macon Hwy. • 706-850-2217

fallsrestaurantathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, reservations, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, Fri–Sun. Dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Fairly snazzy place in an upscale shopping center with a vista out the big windows. **MENU:** Date-night stuff, like surf and turf, housemade pasta, shrimp and grits, steakhouse-style sides. Simpler fare at the bar, but some overlap in the menus. Pina colada ice cream made tableside with liquid nitrogen. Weekend lunch has wings and a kids menu. **DRINKS:** High-end wines and craft cocktails. **\$\$\$\$**

### Farm Cart

1074 Baxter Street • 706-850-8150

facebook.com/thefarmcartathens

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Breakfast, lunch, vegetarian friendly, outside seating, take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** 7 a.m.–3 p.m., Tue–Fri. 8 a.m.–2 p.m., Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Food truck turned restaurant echoes its beginnings with wooden notes and a large, sunny patio. **MENU:** Breakfast served all day, with big biscuit sandwiches

made with good ingredients and sourced locally, including the jam. Veggie choices, but meaty stuff, too. Baked goods in a case at the counter. Egg plates, bagels, housemade granola with yogurt, fancy sodas, good coffee. Salads and sandwiches at lunch. **\$**

### Farmview Cafe

2610 Eatonton Road, Madison • 844-210-7030

farmviewmarket.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Big cafe attached to a fancy, farm-fresh, independent grocery store. **MENU:** Surrounding farms mean good ingredients. Breakfast brings fancy biscuits, stuffed French toast, eggs, bacon and more. Lunch has hearty salads, burgers, a grilled cheese sandwich that includes apples and bacon and local veggies. High Road ice cream and lots of baked goods for dessert. See ad on p. 28. **\$**



### Fatz Café

4115 Lexington Road • 706-425-8780

fatz.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **\$\$**

### Figment Kombucha

1085 Baxter St. • 706-340-3469

figmentkombucha.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **HOURS:** 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Tue–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Elegant and clean, with plenty of turquoise. **MENU:** Small-batch kombucha made with high-quality local ingredients, available by the growler (half or full) or cup. Specific offerings change regularly. Find these folks at Athens Farmers Market, too. **\$**

### Firehouse Subs

1226 Prince Ave. • 706-357-4994

firehousesubs.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **\$**

### Five & Ten

1073 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-546-7300

fiveandten.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Full bar, reservations, catering, outside seating, vegetarian friendly. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Hugh Acheson's flagship restaurant in a renovated historic home with a lovely bar. **MENU:** Serious dining that is forward-thinking but thoughtful, with beautiful plating. Some items recur frequently, but there's always something new based on the season. Superlative produce. Tuesday-night ramen is a standout. **DRINKS:** Wine list by James Beard nominee; unpretentious but smart cocktails; excellent after-dinner drinks. **\$\$\$\$**

### Five Bar

269 N. Hull St. • 706-543-5515

five-bar.com/location/athens-georgia

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Dinner, Tue–Sun. Saturday and Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Two levels of dining, kitschy chandeliers, lots of art. **MENU:** Five options of each category: snacks, entrees and desserts. Baked avocado, cheeseburger, seafood from Destin, farmers market bowls and more. Brunch brings breakfast

cheeseburgers, burritos and chicken and waffles. **DRINKS:** Five-option lists of wine, beer and signature cocktails. **\$\$\$**

### Five Guys Famous Burgers and Fries

1850 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-549-9081

fiveguys.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches and Burgers. **FEATURES:** Outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **\$**

### Flanagan's & Half Moon Pub

301 E. Clayton St. • 706-208-9711

facebook.com/FlanagansAthens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A classic college hangout, Irish pub Flanagan's and its downstairs sister bar get packed on late nights and weekends. **DRINKS:** Daily specials on everything from cocktails to shots. Lots of whiskey. **\$**

### Flicker Theatre & Bar

263 W. Washington St. • 706-546-0039

flickertheatreandbar.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, outside seating, movies, art, trivia. **THE LOOK:** A townie bar featuring music, stand-up comedy, cult movies and a gallery wall. Complimentary popcorn and mints. **DRINKS:** A full bar with a solid beer selection, wine, retro cocktails and boozy slushies. **\$**

### Food for the Soul

1965 W. Broad St. • 706-546-0052

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch, Tue–Fri and Sun. **THE LOOK:** Homey eatery with a self-service buffet and a great mural by Broderick Flanagan outside. **MENU:** Meat-and-three staples that rotate daily, like pork chops, fried chicken livers, catfish, mac and cheese and tons of good vegetables. All-you-can-eat buffet lets you stuff yourself silly. **\$**

### The Foundry

295 E. Dougherty St. • 706-549-7051

thefoundryathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Live music, catering, outside seating, reservations, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Dinner, Tue–Sat. **THE LOOK:** You can enjoy a meal at this music-venue restaurant until the start of a show if you don't have tickets. Hotel guests and ticket holders can dine until late. **MENU:** Burgers (veggie or beef), catfish tacos, wings, Cobb salad, surf and turf queso; milk and cookies for dessert. **DRINKS:** A wide selection of wine, craft beers and cocktails. **\$\$**

### Four Fat Cows

723 Baxter St. • 706-850-8510

fourfatcows.com

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream. **HOURS:** Seven days. **THE LOOK:** Friendly ice cream parlor full of gift items. **MENU:** Rich ice cream in standard flavors and custom ones like root-beer float, plus gluten-free and puffle cones, baked goods, coffee drinks and pints to go. **\$**

### Fox's Pizza Den

2971 Monroe Hwy., Watkinsville • 678-661-0220

foxspizzaoconee.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Delivery, take-out, catering, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **\$**

### Franklin House Cafe

480 E. Broad St. • 404-910-9565

franklinhousecafe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses. **HOURS:** Seven days. **FEATURES:** Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** Friendly, chill coffee house that doesn't

mind if you hang out for a long time. Free Wi-Fi. **MENU:** Good toasts and topped waffles (avocado, Nutella, the ZK Special Toast with sunflower seeds, goat cheese, honey, cilantro and strawberry), panini (half or whole) and a few salads, plus lots of Batdorf and Bronson coffee options, tea and smoothies. \$

### Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steakhburgers

2050 Oconee Connector • 706-354-0671

freddysusa.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken, Ice Cream and Smoothies. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Fresh Air Bar-B-Que

5170 Atlanta Hwy., Bogart • 770-725-5227

1110 Hull Road • 706-546-6060

freshairbbq.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Buffet (Hull Road), catering, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days (Atlanta Hwy.). Lunch and dinner, Wed-Sat (Hull Road). **THE LOOK:** Wood paneling, shack-like exterior. **MENU:** The Hull location does an all-you-can-eat buffet lunch Wednesday through Friday, with ribs, shrimp or catfish. Otherwise, it's chopped pork and chicken, Brunswick stew, baked beans, chicken tenders and banana pudding. Family and tailgating specials for take-out. \$

### Frutta Bowls

245 Oconee St. • 706-514-0060

fruttabowls.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **HOURS:** Open daily 9 a.m. to mid-evening. **FEATURES:** Take-out, counter service, catering, vegetarian friendly. **THE LOOK:** Health-focused franchise in the Mark development with Edison bulbs and chalkboards. **MENU:** Brightly colored bowls of açai, kale, pitaya, oatmeal with fruit, dairy and protein-based toppings. Also, smoothies and cold drinks. \$

### Fuzzy's Taco Shop

265 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-353-0305

fuzzystacosshop.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Fri and Sat. \$

### G Brand BBQ

1140 Athens Road, Crawford • 706-743-7000

gretschbrothersangus.com/g-brand-bbq

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, take out. **HOURS:** 10 a.m.–9 p.m., Thu–Sat. **THE LOOK:** High-ceilinged ex-auto dealership in downtown Crawford is simple but not rustic. **MENU:** Brisket (they own a cattle ranch), pork, chicken, two kinds of ribs—not very smoky, but good. Sauces include an Alabama white. Killer green beans. Tea by the pitcher. Lots of ice cream. \$

### The Garden Grille

390 E. Washington St. • 706-353-6800

hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, buffet, catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Full-service restaurant inside the Hilton Garden Inn. **MENU:** Breakfast can be cooked to order or assembled from the buffet (kids under 12 eat free). Steaks, burgers, pasta, salads and other all-American staples for dinner. \$

### General Beauregard's

164 E. Clayton St. • 706-543-8201

instagram.com/generalbeauregards

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Controversy-courting downtown spot

decked out in Civil War memorabilia, with a MAGA crowd.

**DRINKS:** Southern-themed cocktails. \$

### Genesis

1700 Commerce Road • 706-351-4174

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**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs/live music. **THE LOOK:** Urban nightclub setting with live music, boxing, dance nights and more. **DRINKS:** All the standards. \$

### George's Lowcountry Table

2095 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-548-3359

georgelowcountrytable.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, reservations, outside seating. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. Weekend brunch. **THE LOOK:** Grown-up restaurant with good service and cloth napkins. **MENU:** Classics from the Gulf and Carolina coasts: étouffée, shrimp and grits, sherry crab bisque, oysters (raw and cooked), peel-and-eat shrimp, jambalaya, redfish and more. Benedict, andouille-studded omelet, drop biscuits, grits at brunch. **DRINKS:** Wines from all over, beer and Southern-accented cocktails. \$\$\$

### Gianna's Mexican Grill

1280 Oconee St. • 706-549-2639

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Plenty of booths, bar in the back. **MENU:** Lots of Mexican favorites. **DRINKS:** Mexican beers, margaritas. \$

### Gigi's Cupcakes

296 W. Broad St. • 706-208-7879

1791 Oconee Connector • 706-208-3727

gigiscupcakesusa.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, delivery, gluten-free options. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### Girasoles

24 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-310-0410

girasoleswatkinsville.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, reservations, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, Tue–Fri. Dinner, Tue–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Cozy space in downtown Watkinsville. **MENU:** Mexican-accented fusion, but also classic steaks and seafood. Tapas, entrees and frequently changing specials: crab cakes, Cajun pasta, fish and grits, plus chef's selection of three dishes. Sunday brunch includes waffles, omelets cooked to order and a buffet. \$\$\$

### The Globe

199 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-353-4721

facebook.com/globe.athens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs, Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Live music, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** A real classic, with a grad student/faculty/townie vibe. Soccer and live music upstairs. **MENU:** Pub cuisine, including fish and chips, burgers, a croque monsieur, really good vegan chili and housemade potato chips. Sunday brunch includes pancakes, grits, steak and eggs and a frittata. **DRINKS:** An eclectic selection of over 80 craft beers, 60 wines and 40 single-malt scotches. \$

### Go Bar

195 Prince Ave. • 706-546-5609


facebook.com/go.bar.35

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music/DJs, karaoke, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Music venue featuring hip hop, hardcore, folk, experimental performances and dance parties. You won't be able to hear it, but the tiny TV is usually showing something cool. **DRINKS:** Bottled brews, cocktails and shots. \$



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7990 Macon Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-705-1655  
goldenchick.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Catering, drive-thru. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Golden Dragon

126 Alps Road • 706-552-1688  
athensgoldendragon.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, buffet, delivery, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Chinese restaurant in a shopping center. **MENU:** Big lunch buffet daily. Tons of standard options. Dragon Dinners feature combinations of dishes for two to 10 people. \$\$

### Golden Sun Chinese Restaurant

4375 Lexington Road • 706-549-3388  
goldensuninathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Pleasant dining in the Eastside Walmart shopping center. **MENU:** Countless classic options, 30 chef's specials, 50 different lunch specials and Peking duck (if you order ahead). A Lighter Fare section offers steamed MSG-free meals low in sodium; lots of tofu choices. \$\$

### The Grill

171 College Ave. • 706-543-4770

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer. **HOURS:** 24 hours, seven days. **THE LOOK:** It's a diner, but not a cutesy one, despite its 1950s decor. Look close, and you'll see its punk rock heart. **MENU:** Burgers, hot sandwiches and tons of veggie choices. Don't forget fries with a side of feta dressing and a milkshake.

Breakfast is served half the day, from midnight to noon, and works well on hangovers. See ad on p. 25. \$



### Grindhouse Killer Burgers

1553 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-612-9327  
grindhouseburgers.com

**FILE UNDER:** Burgers, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, counter service, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Two-floor small chain out of Atlanta. **MENU:** Petite burgers made with beef, turkey or beans and quinoa, plus plant-based Impossible Burger. Build your own or select a combo from the menu. Handspun milkshakes, crinkle-cut fries, fried pimento cheese nuggets, salads, chili. **DRINKS:** Domestic and craft

beers, wine, shots, cocktails and boozy milkshakes. See ad on p. 34. \$\$



### The Grit

199 Prince Ave. • 706-543-6592  
thegrit.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, outside seating, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days.

Weekend brunch. **THE LOOK:** Old-school with shabby-cool character. Good art. **MENU:** Vegetarian and vegan from around the world, but plenty of meat-eaters swear by it. Big menu (the Golden Bowl is a must) plus many daily veggies on the chalkboard. Breakfast and brunch bring



burritos, pancakes, omelets and more. Don't skip dessert. Whole housemade cakes and pies are available with 48 hours notice. See ad on p. 26. \$\$

### Groove Burgers

1791 Oconee Connector • 762-499-5699  
grooveburgers.com

**FILE UNDER:** Burgers, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, take-out, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Slick, independently owned burger place that gets orders out fast. **MENU:** Burgers (both meat and veggie), salads and hot sandwiches (pork chop, Philly, fried chicken) come with great sides ("street corn," asparagus, brussels sprouts, fabulous onion rings). Clever toppings and smart choice of ingredients, like pickled shallots. Good shakes. **DRINKS:** Full bar with plenty of options. \$\$

### Gyro Wrap

175 E. Broad St. • 706-543-9071  
gyrowrap.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Casual, longtime local haunt. Tables in one room, a few outside and some seats at the counter. Order at the counter for take-out, or grab a seat, and the staff will come to you. **MENU:** Pita and tortilla wraps, falafel, salads and Phillies. See ad on p. 59. \$



### Half-Shepherd Market & Cheese Shop

1238 Prince Ave., Suite B • 706-850-2955  
halfshepherd.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–8 p.m., Mon–Sat. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **THE LOOK:** Cheese shop and neighborhood market in Normaltown with some seating for eat-in. **MENU:** Cut-to-order cheese counter and high-quality pantry staples. Sandwiches, soups, salads and more from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Ready-to-eat foods all day long. Grilled cheese (of course), good sides, loads of vegetarian and vegan choices, fun ingredients like nduja and zhough. Check the specials. \$

### Hedges on Broad

346 E. Broad St. • 706-850-8500  
facebook.com/HedgesOnBroad

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, live music, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A big screen to watch football in a bar named for Sanford Stadium's hedges. Two bars, plus a giant dance floor with a balcony. **DRINKS:** Daily specials. The only place in town where you can vape shots. \$

### Heirloom Cafe and Fresh Market

815 N. Chase St. • 706-354-7901  
heirloomathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly.

**FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Fri. Dinner, Tue–Sat. Weekend brunch. **THE LOOK:** Clean, arty space with great light, a bocce court and a plant-laden patio in a historic



neighborhood. **MENU:** Local providers supply produce inspiration for menu that changes regularly. Refined takes on local dishes like chicken mull or hummus made with black-eyed peas. Brunch is busy for good

reason. Very accommodating of diet restrictions.

**DRINKS:** Seasonal artisan cocktails, some named for the area. Good wines and beers. Regular wine tastings. See ad on p. 49. \$\$\$

### Hendershot's Coffee Bar

237 Prince Ave. • 706-353-3050  
hendershotscoffee.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, counter service, live music, art, Wi-Fi, outside seating. **HOURS:** Open seven days. **THE LOOK:** Spacious coffee house, restaurant, bar and music club in the Bottleworks development with a bustling patio and popular weekly open mic night. **MENU:** Coffee drinks, nitro cold brew, teas and juices all day pair nicely with muffins, cookies and savory scones. Also, scratch-made sandwiches and yogurt parfaits. **DRINKS:** Lots of draft and bottled/canned craft beers, plus wine, craft cocktails and mocktails (some made with coffee). \$

### Hi-Lo Lounge

1354 Prince Ave. • 706-850-8561  
hiloathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, counter service, trivia. **HOURS:** Dinner and late night, Mon–Sun. Lunch, Mon–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Family-friendly neighborhood bar with eats. TVs for sporting events. **MENU:** Good hot dogs and veggie dogs with an array of toppings, fried cheese galore, tons of veggie and vegan choices that work for meat-eaters. Broiled grapefruit with gin, Cointreau and Lillet for brunch, plus biscuits and gravy. **DRINKS:** Full bar with 15 draft beers, plus a well-curated selection of bottles and cans. Half pours, whiskeys and classic cocktails. Check the site to see what's on deck. \$

### Hibachi Grill Supreme Buffet

2020 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-546-8777  
hibachiathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Buffet. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Huge Asian buffet of more than 300 items. **MENU:** A hibachi station cooks your veggies and proteins to order, including clams, lobster, crab legs and mussels. Buffet tables with tons of Chinese dishes, sushi, American food, fruit, salad and desserts are spread across the room. Open most holidays. \$\$

### Highwire Lounge

269 N. Hull St. • 706-543-8997  
instagram.com/highwirelounge

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Live music, trivia, outside seating, art. **HOURS:** Dinner and late night, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Upscale cocktail bar with soft lighting, reclaimed wood walls, live jazz and silent disco parties. **MENU:** Snacks and heavier options from Trappeze, to which it connects. **DRINKS:** High-end cocktails carefully crafted with small-batch liquors and fresh ingredients. Seasonal offerings also available. \$

### Hilltop Grille

2310 W. Broad St. • 706-353-7667

hilltopgrille.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Reservations, live music, full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. Dinner, Mon. Sunday brunch. **THE**



**Look:** Friendly, preppy, somewhat upscale hangout with great outdoor space and Jack Davis mural. **MENU:** Familiar, well-executed food done better than the big chains, from fried green tomatoes and artichoke-crab

dip to country-fried steak, lots of seafood, steaks and Key lime pie. **DRINKS:** Large wooden bar serving beer, wine and cocktails with happy hour specials. See ad on p. 44. \$\$\$

### Hip Coffee

215 Commerce Blvd. • 706-215-9585

hipvintagehandmade.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses. **HOURS:** 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Wed–Thu, Sat. 10 a.m.–9 p.m., Fri. **THE LOOK:** Coffee shop inside Hip Vintage and Handmade.



**MENU:** Coffee drinks made to order, plus various packaged snacks. See ad on p. 41. \$

### Hodgson's Pharmacy

1260 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-543-7386

hodgsonsr.com

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream. **HOURS:** 9 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Fri. 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Sat. **THE LOOK:** Old-fashioned drug store with soda fountain counter. **MENU:** Scoops of Edy's ice cream in a cup or cone for just \$1. Malts, shakes and floats, too. Sit on the hill outside for the best experience. \$

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1072 Baxter St. • 706-206-9216

homemadeathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, delivery, take-out, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sat. Saturday brunch. **THE LOOK:** R. Wood pottery and pretty flowers in a welcoming atmosphere. **MENU:** A little bit New Orleans, a little bit rest of the South and a lot of vegetables. Offerings change often, but could include cheese curds, charbroiled oysters, beignets with hot chicken and green tomato crisp for dessert. Supper Club for early diners (5–6 p.m.) gets you two courses for \$15. Saturday brunch options include bread pudding and a breakfast bowl. You can also buy casseroles, sides, snacks and take-away meals. **DRINKS:** Bright cocktails, good wine list and beer selection. \$\$

### Homewood Social

2451 Jefferson Road • 706-850-8787

homewood.social

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, bowling, outside seating. **HOURS:** Dinner and late night, Mon–Sun. Lunch, Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Cool independent bowling alley with plenty of lanes, a big bar and board/card/yard games. Play ping pong, cornhole and giant Jenga outside. **MENU:** Fun options, from snacks to bowling alley standards (wings, salads, burgers, pizza) to more interesting stuff (pork or veggie banh mi, hot chicken, meatball sandwich). **DRINKS:** Cute specialty cocktails, small but good selection of beer and wine. \$

### HoneyBaked Ham Co. & Café

3690 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-613-8800

honeybaked.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Delivery, catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. \$

### Hot Thomas Barbecue

3753 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-769-6550

hotthomasbbq.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, checks. **HOURS:** Lunch, Tue–Sat. Dinner, Fri–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Country barbecue since 1984. Vintage soda bottles for decoration. **MENU:** It's short: chopped pork, ribs, chicken, hamburgers and chili dogs, plus stew, slaw, mull and chips (listed just so). Slices of pecan or chocolate pie for dessert. \$

### Ideal Bagel

815 W. Broad St. • 706-353-0005

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**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries, Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Homage to a classic deli. **MENU:** Breakfast and lunch, with nice, small bagels, excellent house-smoked fish and sandwiches (either on bagels or on Luna bread). Sandwiches involve meats sliced in front of you (capicola, roast beef, etc.) but also hummus, roasted veggies, sauerkraut and scrambled eggs. Kids meals. \$

### Ike and Jane

1307 Prince Ave. • 706-850-1580

ikeandjane.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating, take-out, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Cute as pie, big doughnut sign. **MENU:** Doughnuts, of course, topped with cereal, cookies, sprinkles and more and decorated adorably. Also: coffee, many other baked goods, biscuits, soups, salads and sandwiches. Some gluten-free stuff. \$

### Independent Baking Co.

1625 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-3550

independentbaking.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **HOURS:** Tue–Sun. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** Small shop with most of its space devoted to baking. A few seats at a counter, and some on the covered patio next door. **MENU:** It doesn't really matter what you order here, as everything is perfect: very serious bread (down to the rolls) made with house-milled wheat, plus croissants and other feather-light viennoiserie, Counter Culture coffee and a limited selection of cookies. Products available at a few other places around town. \$

### Inoko Express

2061 Experiment Station Road, Watkinsville • 706-769-7088

3190 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-425-8828

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Counter service, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Ideal for meals to go. **MENU:** Steak, chicken, shrimp, salmon, tofu and "Ultimate Vegetarian" prepared hibachi style or with teriyaki sauce. Entrees come with fried rice, vegetables and two sauces. \$

### Inoko Japanese Steak House

161 Alps Road • 706-546-8589

facebook.com/inokoathens

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Full bar, reservations, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Sun–Fri. Dinner, Sat. **THE LOOK:** Hibachi cooked in front of you as entertainment with your meal. **MENU:** Combinations of ribeye,



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filet mignon, chicken, shrimp, scallops and lobster cooked on the grill, served with rice and veggies and paired with onion soup, salad and a shrimp appetizer. Discounts for college students and senior citizens. Smaller portions during lunch. Good selection of sushi. \$\$\$

### Inoko Sushi Express

1860 S. Barnett Shoals Road • 706-546-5662

facebook.com/InokoSushiExpress

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Counter service, delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Fast sushi in a casual environment. **MENU:** No bells and whistles, but good sushi at a reasonable price. Choose among nigiri, maki and specialty rolls, then accessorize with katsu, edamame, seaweed salad, etc. Teriyaki and tempura, too. \$

### Insomnia Cookies

228 E. Clayton St. • 706-623-6277

insomniacookies.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, delivery. **HOURS:** Seven days until 3 a.m. \$

### Iron Factory

255 W. Washington St. • 706-395-6877

ironfactoryinc.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, full bar, live music, karaoke. **HOURS:** Dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Each table has its own grill. Big patio outside, private karaoke rooms. **MENU:** Cook your own Korean barbecue, or the servers will do it for you. Pick a protein (pork belly, steak, chicken, shrimp, prawns, fish) or veggies, sear, wrap in radish slices and gulp down. Everything comes with salad, rice and side vegetables. **DRINKS:** Korean soju, sake and wine, plus cocktails in addition to beer. \$\$

### Iron Works Coffee

295 E. Dougherty St. • 706-549-7020

graduatehotels.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses. **HOURS:** 7 a.m.–9 p.m., Mon–Fri. 7 a.m.–8 p.m., Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** You don't have to be a guest at Graduate Athens to stop by the coffee shop in its lobby. **MENU:** Pastries, muffins, hot chocolate with M&Ms and coffee by La Colombe. \$

### J&J Flea Market

11661 Hwy. 441 N. • 706-613-2410

jandjfleamarket.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Mexican. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, counter service, cash only. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Georgia's biggest flea market has several large buildings with regular eateries and a ton of tables outside selling fresh, well-priced produce. **MENU:** Biscuits and burgers at the Flea Bite Cafe, barbecue, boiled peanuts, pizza and the wonderful Taqueria Mi Tierra, serving up excellent and authentic Mexican food, including fantastic pollo a la brasa. Food truck nights. La Michoacana... es Natural has an ice cream truck there on occasion. \$

### J Buffalo Wings

196 Alps Road • 706-850-2095

jbuffalo.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Beer, counter service, outside seating, take out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### J. Christopher's

1650 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-3520

jchristophers.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, seven days. **FEATURES:** Outdoor seating, Wi-Fi. \$

### J.R. Crickets

810 Hawthorne Ave. • 706-850-9800

facebook.com/athensjrcrickets

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Atlanta-based sports bar chain with a welcoming vibe. **MENU:** Wings, burgers, Phillies and wraps. **DRINKS:** Full bar with lots of specials. \$\$

### Jason's Deli

140 Alps Road • 706-425-4950

jasonsdeli.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Delivery, catering, counter service, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Jennings Mill Drug Company

1360 Caduceus Way, Building 400 • 706-621-5996

jenningsmilldrugcompany.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. **THE LOOK:** Classic soda fountain in an independent drugstore hidden away. **MENU:** Bagels for breakfast. Lunch expands to sandwiches (pimento cheese, chicken salad, grilled cheese, Southwestern chicken wrap, spinach salad with egg, bacon and poppyseed dressing). Also chili dogs, slaw dogs, good soups, PB&J, fro-yo and milkshakes. \$

### Jersey Mike's

690 U.S. Hwy. 29 • 706-353-4655

jerseymikes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Jerzees Sports Bar

420 E. Clayton St.

facebook.com/jerzeessport

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Live music/DJs, karaoke. **THE LOOK:** A huge space with a multitude of TVs for catching a game or watching music videos. Monday night poker. Dance nights. **MENU:** Bar snacks like tacos, wings, pretzels and popcorn are often available. **DRINKS:** 10 beers on draft and many more in bottle. Shots, frozen margs and daily specials throughout the week. \$

### Jimmy John's Gourmet Subs

600 Baxter St. • 706-613-0500

2301 College Station Road • 706-543-5411

jimmyjohns.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru (Baxter), delivery, catering, counter service, outside seating (Baxter). **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night (Baxter). \$

### Jittery Joe's Coffee

UGA Miller Learning Center • 706-549-2124

27 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-769-4280

1860 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-354-8000

1480 Baxter St. • 706-548-1099

1230 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-208-1979

297 E. Broad St. • 706-613-7449

1880 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-354-8900

jitteryjoes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru (Baxter, Greensboro and Epps Bridge), outside seating, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Vary by location. **THE LOOK:** Named for a coffee shop on "The Simpsons," Jittery Joe's is instantly identifiable with Athens. The beans are roasted on Barber Street, and each location is different. **MENU:** Wide range of specialty roasts that benefit different causes. Plenty of hot and cold drinks and premium teas. Locally baked goodies on offer include bagels, giant brownies, parfaits, scones and muffins. \$

### The Tasting Room at Jittery Joe's Roasting Company

425 Barber St. • 706-227-2161

jitteryjoes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Outside Seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Look for the shiny Quonset hut. You can check out the roasting equipment inside. Some tables. **MENU:** Fresh-roasted beans by the pound—whole or ground—cups of coffee, teas and shots of espresso. Home base for the ubiquitous local brew. Hosts lots of events and food truck pop-ups. \$

### Johnny's New York Style Pizza

1040 Gaines School Road • 706-354-1515

johnnypizza.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, delivery, outside seating, trivia, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Journey Juice

1428 Prince Ave. • 706-850-0707

journeyjuice.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **HOURS:** 7 a.m.–7 p.m., Mon–Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sat. Noon–5 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Swing by this juicing operation for a quick liquid meal. Knowledgeable staff members will gladly offer tips on how to plan a juice cleanse. **MENU:** Raw, organic, cold-pressed and unpasteurized fruit and vegetable juices that are also delicious and pre-packaged for easy transporting. \$

### Just Pho... and More

1063 Baxter St. • 706-850-1420

facebook.com/justphoandmore

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, art, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Fern-decorated Vietnamese eatery with sit-down service and local art on the walls. **MENU:** Lots of pho (beef-broth-based noodle soup customizable with lots of additions; available in a veggie version), but also com (rice with grilled meat), bun (noodles) or banh mi sandwiches. Bubble tea, fruit smoothies, pastries in the case. \$

### Kajun Seafood & Wings

2361 W. Broad St. • 706-850-6173

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** New Lowcountry place hiding down by Athens Health and Fitness in a shopping center. **MENU:** Boiled and fried seafood (shrimp, oysters, crawfish, fish), salmon and shrimp burgers, blue crabs, snow crab legs, clams, lobster and all the sides you'd expect (corn, hushpuppies, coleslaw). Plus wings. \$

### KEBA Spitfire Grill

1021 Jamestown Blvd., Watkinsville • 706-310-7222

1860 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-850-7285

kebagrill.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating, drive-thru (Watkinsville), delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Locally based kebab sandwich franchise. **MENU:** The signature sandwich (beef, chicken, lamb, feta, falafel) is still available, as are delicious Belgian fries and dipping sauces, but also wraps, salads, bowls and more. Kids meals, gelato for dessert, low-carb choices. \$

### Kelly's Jamaican Food

1583 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-208-0000

145 Epps Bridge Road • 706-369-5400

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**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer, catering, counter service, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun (Five Points), Mon–Sat

(Epps Bridge). **THE LOOK:** Two locations of a longtime Athens restaurant. Lumpkin Street has a covered patio. **MENU:** Walk down the counter and select from Jamaican standards and veggies: jerk chicken, oxtail, curry goat, barbecue ribs, salmon, spicy cabbage, spicy squash, rice and peas, fried plantains, mac and cheese. Patties, too, plus super-sweet tea and cornbread. **\$\$**

### Kiki's Bakeshop

20 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-769-6766

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**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m., Mon–Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Sat. **MENU:** Fresh breads (loaf-style, baguettes, bagels), muffins, scones (sweet and savory), cinnamon rolls and sweets from cheesecake to bar desserts, cupcakes, layer cakes and cookies, everything cutely packaged. The deli case holds pimento cheese, chicken salad, tuna salad and hummus. Specialty cakes and pies orderable in advance. Holiday menus. **\$\$**

### Krimson Kafe

40 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-310-0888

krimsonkafe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating, art. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Friendly small-town café. **MENU:** Homemade soups, salads and deli sandwiches. Chicken salad, egg salad, ham salad and pimento cheese homemade daily (available by the scoop or the pound). Nice selection of veggie options. Fresh-squeezed apple and carrot juice, plus Jittery Joe's coffee. **\$**

### Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

3703 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-208-0628

krispykreme.com

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, drive-thru, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** 6 a.m.–10 p.m., Sun–Thu. 6 a.m.–11 p.m., Fri–Sat. **\$**

### La Cabaña de Don Juan

2061 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-769-4490

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Americanized Mexican restaurant: booths, TVs, sombreros and a big fireplace. **MENU:** Queso, burritos, combo plates, many varieties of fajitas and quesadillas and lots of lunch specials, too. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, Mexican beers and a few draft brews. **\$\$**

### La Estrella

400 Hawthorne Ave. • 706-353-8557

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, Wed–Mon. **THE LOOK:** Awesome murals and beach-inspired decor. **MENU:** Breakfast starts a little late, but is a nice option, with eggs and pancakes. The menu has all the Americanized standards, but also wonderful seafood specialties (mojarra frita, caldo de siete mares) and excellent al pastor. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, plus beer and wine. **\$\$**

### La Fiesta

1395 College Station Road • 706-549-5933

athens-lafiesta.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Eastside restaurant with colorful decor and a large covered outdoor patio. **MENU:** Popular Americanized Mexican fare: burritos, enchiladas, fajitas, taquitos, nachos, tacos and quesadillas. Special entrees and combo plates. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, Mexican beers, domestics and house wines. **\$\$**

### La Michoacana Antojitos Mexicanos

3750 Old Jefferson Road • 706-206-5260

facebook.com/LamichoacanaAntojitosMexicanos

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies, Mexican. **FEATURES:** Counter service. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–10 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** Rainbow-hued palace of paletas and helados, attached to La Jalisco grocery store and taqueria. Strongest Instagram game in town. **MENU:** Street-food snacks like Cheetos with crema and Valentina or chopped fruit with chile, but mostly a gazillion flavors of housemade popsicles (cream-based and fruit-based) and ice creams, including some with gummy bears. Try the avocado popsicles. **\$**

### La Michoacana Es... Natural

1635 Glenn Carrie Road, Hull • 706-521-8008

facebook.com/lamichoacanahull

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies, Mexican. **FEATURES:** Outside seating. **HOURS:** 12–9 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** Bright pink and green environs in front of the Ingles. Second location inside Eastside Cali N Tito's. Truck at J&J sometimes, plus local events. Board games. **MENU:** Independently owned Mexican ice cream shop that makes flavors fresh in-store daily (try the tequila ice cream), as well as gorgeous paletas full of fruit, rollitos (rolled ice cream), smoothies, aguas frescas and a variety of Mexican street-food snacks, like Dorilocos and loaded potato chips. Tostadas de ceviche on Fridays. See ad on p. 51. **\$**



### La Superior Bakery

9029 Hwy. 29 S., Hull • 706-521-8244

facebook.com/lasuperiorbakery

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** 6 a.m.–9 p.m., Wed–Mon. **THE LOOK:** Select your own pastries with tongs or browse the refrigerated cases in this cute bakery in a small strip mall. **MENU:** Cake by the slice, cookies, Mexican sweet breads, doughnuts, whole cakes, coffee and surprisingly excellent bagels. Sno-cones sometimes. All exceedingly reasonably priced. **\$**

### La Tienda Los Amigos

109 Rowe Road • 706-543-9637

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Counter in a lively Mexican grocery store with a few booths. **MENU:** Tacos, tortas, burritos and a few other things, all made with meat available at the butcher's counter next door. The "American taco" comes with lettuce and cheese and is actually quite tasty. Homemade tortillas. Horchata and aguas frescas with tamarind, pineapple and hibiscus to drink. Browse the wide selection of goods while you wait. **\$**

### Larry's Giant Subs

1720 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-227-7298

1959 S. Barnett Shoals Road • 706-850-4926

larryssubs.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **\$**

### Last Resort Grill

184 W. Clayton St. • 706-549-0810

lastresortgrill.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, art. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. Lunch, Mon–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Great outdoor

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seating, cool mural outside, exposed brick walls. **MENU:** South by Southwest, via Athens. In other words, steak with poblano pistou and cactus vinaigrette exists alongside fried green tomatoes with Vidalia bacon dressing. Brunch is always busy and serves omelets, clay pots, crab Benedict and more. Seafood and a case full of cakes. **DRINKS:** American vodkas, gins and vermouths, as well as Armagnac, ice wine, Madeira, sherry and a long list of wines. \$\$\$

### Lay-Z-Shopper

361 E. Clayton St.

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches. **FEATURES:** Take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Big downtown convenience store with a sandwich counter that also sells beer-pong accessories, cat food and the like. **MENU:** Big deli sandwiches made with fresh-sliced Boar's Head meats and cheeses, in a hurry. Plenty of choice for beverages. Free high fives if you leave a tip. \$

### Lickin' Chicken

377 Oak St. • 706-850-6722

**FILE UNDER:** Chicken. **FEATURES:** Take-out, drive-thru. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–10 p.m., Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Grab-and-go chicken spot located inside the old Church's Chicken. **MENU:** Wings and tenders, either plain or sauced, plus fried fish, hot sandwiches, salads, desserts and fried pickles. \$

### Lil' Ice Cream Dude's Cool World

1040 Gaines School Road • 706-308-8885

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream and Smoothies. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–7 p.m., Mon–Thu. 11 a.m.–8 p.m., Fri–Sat. 12–7 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Popular kid-owned ice cream truck with a new brick-and-mortar space in the Ansonborough development. **MENU:** Ice cream sandwiches, hand-dipped and soft-serve ice cream, novelty ice cream, Italian ices, rolled ice cream, milkshakes, vintage candy. You can also buy owner Beau Shell's children's book. \$

### Lindsey's Culinary Market

520 N. Thomas St. • 706-353-0558

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Mon–Fri. 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Sat. **THE LOOK:** Cute space under 1000 Faces downtown. **MENU:** Hot and cold lunch six days a week, plus catering. Eat in the friendly dining room after choosing from pimento-less cheese, shrimp salad, chicken salad and a number of veggie-based dishes that change out daily: collard rolls, quiche, grain salads and more. Cookies, fancy chocolates, candy and gift items available, too. Biscuits on weekends. \$\$

### Little City Diner

135 Cherokee Road, Winterville • 706-742-7590

**FILE UNDER:** American. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. Brunch, Sat–Sun. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out, outside seating, vegetarian friendly. **THE LOOK:** Pretty, sunny little restaurant in the middle of Winterville. **MENU:** Great food in a quiet environment. Southern breakfast and brunch include country ham biscuits, hotcakes, Red Mule grits and sawmill gravy. Lunch brings a burger, barbecue pork sandwich, fried egg sandwich and salads. Good pie and coffee. Tempeh and soyisage coexist with country ham and smoked bacon. \$

### Little Italy

125 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-613-7100

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**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly.  
**FEATURES:** Beer, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch,

dinner and late night, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Fast, traditional New York-style pizzeria. **MENU:** Pizza by the big, floppy slice or by the pie. Massive subs, antipasti, salads, stromboli and calzones. Everything, including pitchers of beer, is priced for the penny-pincher. \$

### Little Kings Shuffle Club

223 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-369-3144

**facebook.com/lkshuffleclub**  
**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, trivia, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** A spacious bar, music venue and dance floor for the local crowd. Outside, you'll find a large, dog-friendly patio decked out with a camper, boat and cornhole. **DRINKS:** A variety of bottled beers and rotating drafts that include seasonal brews. Wine and cocktails, too. \$

### Live Wire Athens

227 W. Dougherty St. • 706-543-8283

**livewireathens.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music/DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** This all-purpose performance venue has three stages—two inside and one in a large beer garden. The space is adaptable for private parties, fashion and film events. Meeting spot for the Athens Dart League. **DRINKS:** A good assortment of craft and local beer, as well as budget-friendly options. Wine and cocktails, too. \$\$

### Locos Grill & Pub

2920 Timothy Road • 706-549-7700

**1985 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-208-0911**  
**locosgrill.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Curbside pick-up (Timothy), delivery, live music (Timothy), trivia, catering, Wi-Fi, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Local chain gone statewide has a focus on sports. **MENU:** Deli sandwiches, burgers with lots of toppings, salads, grilled cheese and chili combo, wings, fish tacos and, surprisingly, lots of vegetarian options. **DRINKS:** Fully stocked bar with domestic beer available in pitchers or by the glass. \$\$

### Logan's Roadhouse

3668 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-227-9890

**logansroadhouse.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### Longhorn Steakhouse

2170 W. Broad St. • 706-548-0054

**longhornsteakhouse.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$\$

### Los Reyes Mexican Restaurant

1880 Hwy. 29 N. • 706-227-8308

**facebook.com/losreyesmexrest**  
**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Delivery, outside seating, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Large, authentic Mexican restaurant with a nice patio, attached to a gas station. **MENU:** Excellent tacos (filled with cilantro, onions and fish, al pastor, barbacoa or lengua), big tortas, menudo, tostadas de ceviche and a molcajete full of grilled meats and veggies. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, mixed drinks and beer. \$

### LRG Provisions

1653 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-2020

**lrgprovisions.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Catering, full bar, reservations. **HOURS:** Dinner, Tue–Sun. Sunday brunch. **THE**

**LOOK:** Modern space in the heart of Five Points with an enclosed porch. **MENU:** The catering base for Last Resort Grill also does dinner five nights a week: meat-and-three-inspired on Tuesday; dishes like mojo chicken and al pastor guajillo the other nights. Brunch has huevos rancheros, fried oyster and eggs, ropa vieja hash and Bloody Marys by the carafe. **DRINKS:** Local beers, specialty cocktails and fine wines. \$\$

### Lumberjaxe

510 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-8293

**lumberjaxe.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Axe-throwing!  
**THE LOOK:** 12 axe-throwing targets, plus a spacious, stylish lounge with TVs, games like giant Jenga and handcrafted wood tables. Axe-throwing tournaments. **DRINKS:** Local craft beer and wine. See ad on p. 62. \$\$



### Madison Bar & Bistro

500 College Ave. • 706-546-0430

**indigoathens.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Reservations, outside seating, live music, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Hotel Indigo's restaurant has a nice patio featuring a fire pit and a weekly cocktail hour to which you can bring your dog. **MENU:** Heavy and light breakfast, with some locally made baked goods. Dinner brings both fancy bar snacks and full meals better than average hotel fare. **DRINKS:** Nice cocktails that might include house-infused peach bourbon, High West vodka or blackberries. Local draft beer, wine. \$\$

### Maepole

1021 N. Chase St. • 706-850-3600

**maepole.com**  
**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Peter Dale's sweet reno on Boulevard has a bright veggie mural, great views and captain's hats for kids. **MENU:** Pick a base (brown rice, quinoa, sweet potatoes, salad greens), then a protein (hormone- and antibiotic-free meats, black-eyed-pea tempeh), two veggie sides and a housemade sauce. Menu changes seasonally. Condor Chocolates and La Michoacana paletas for dessert. Kidsmeals. Gluten-free choices. Everything is recyclable or compostable. **DRINKS:** Wine and beer, Aperol spritzes. \$\$

### Magnolias

312 E. Broad St. • 706-543-0797

**facebook.com/magnoliasathens**  
**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A two-story lounge in the historic Frigidaire building. There's free pool upstairs and several screens to watch the Dawgs play while enjoying a beautiful view of both downtown and campus. **DRINKS:** The usual array of brews behind the bar, plus house mixers like the Humbly Hammy. \$

### Main Moon Restaurant

2061 Experiment Station Road, Watkinsville • 706-769-8686

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Quick and casual counter service is the focus. **MENU:** Chow mein, stir fry, fried rice, lo mein, egg foo yung, Mongolian chicken, Szechuan beef and Hunan shrimp, all ready for take-out or eat-in. Menu has a Weight Watchers section. \$\$

### Mama Jewel's Kitchen

1075 Baxter St. • 706-850-9797

mamajewelskitchen.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, take-out, outdoor seating. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Tue–Fri. Weekend brunch. **THE LOOK:** Big space

with homey touches, like a giant bookshelf filled with cookbooks. **MENU:** Breakfast all day, with biscuit plates, eggs, yogurt, chicken and waffles. Lunch is Southern, but not exclusively, from ladies-who-lunch fare to a very good corned beef and hot platters. Even more breakfast choices at brunch. Take-and-bake casseroles and food to go. See ad on p. 47. \$\$



### Mama Sid's Pizza

2240 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-549-6100

mamasidspizza.net

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** BYOB, buffet, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat.

**THE LOOK:** Casual, family-run pizzeria of long standing. **MENU:** An all-you-can-eat buffet is perfect for pizza lovers with a large appetite and a small budget. Order from the menu for salads, subs, pasta, hot wings, calzones and more. \$

### Mama's Boy

197 Oak St. • 706-548-6249

8851 Macon Hwy. • 706-850-8550

mamasboyathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome, Vegetarian Friendly.

**FEATURES:** Catering, outside seating, reservations, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Thu. Brunch, Fri–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Original location with a pretty patio by the Greenway. The second one has more space and nice views. **MENU:** Breakfast all day—biscuits, of course, but also scramblers, chocolate cake, omelets and more. Lunch—fried chicken plate, pimento cheese-topped



burger, fried green tomato sandwich, salads—in the second half of the day. UGA-made sausage. Strawberry lemonade. Very accommodating to those with special dietary needs. See ad on p. 53. \$\$

### Manhattan Café

337 N. Hull St. • 706-369-9767

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, DJs. **THE LOOK:** A local favorite for more than two decades on the Hot Corner. The atmosphere is relaxed and dimly lit, with vinyl records hanging from the ceiling. Popcorn and snacks available. **DRINKS:** Check out the specials on the handwritten signs. Cocktails, beer, wine, sangria and sake. \$

### Mannaweenta

1055 Gaines School Road • 706-850-8422

mannaweenta.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sat. Dinner only, Mon. **THE LOOK:** Wonderfully hospitable, leisurely Ethiopian spot in a nondescript shopping center. **MENU:** Lots of beef dishes, but also tons of vegetarian and vegan options, all served with chewy, pancake-like injera bread. You'll be surprised how many ways lentils, tomatoes and onions can come together to make something delicious. Ethiopian tea and coffee, plus cookies. \$

### Marker 7 Coastal Grill

1195 Milledge Ave. • 706-850-3451

marker7coastalgrill.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. Dinner only, Mon. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Nice fish shack in a renovated historic house. **MENU:** Georgia and Gulf seafood: lightly fried baskets, peel-and-eat shrimp, oysters (raw or cooked), grilled or blackened entrees and sides like coleslaw and hush puppies. Burgers and chicken tacos, too. Cornhole on the lawn. Extra parking at the fire station. **DRINKS:** Beachy cocktails, beer and wine. See ad on p. 44. \$\$



### Marti's at Midday

1280 Prince Ave. • 706-543-3541

martisatmidday.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. **THE LOOK:** Sunny rooms in a pretty white house in Normaltown. **MENU:** Southern-style lunch and take-home entrees and casseroles are what Marti's is known for, although it also does breakfast weekdays with homemade muffins and more. Highlights include tarragon chicken salad, pimento cheese, egg salad, chicken gumbo and mint sweet tea, all of which can be bought in bulk. \$\$

### Max

243 W. Washington St. • 706-286-0339

facebook.com/themaxathensga

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A huge bar with a lot to offer. Play pool, air hockey or darts, or enjoy the night air and possibly a dance party or pop-up on one of the largest patios downtown. **DRINKS:** Beers both bottled and on draft, liquor and mixers. \$

### Mayflower Restaurant

171 E. Broad St. • 706-548-1692

mayflowerrestaurant.weebly.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Cash only, delivery. **HOURS:** Breakfast, seven days. Lunch, Sun–Fri. **THE LOOK:** Family-run Southern diner operating since 1948. **MENU:** Country-style comfort food. Omelets, biscuits, hotcakes, steak, country ham and more for breakfast. Hearty lunch options rotate daily and include pot roast, fried chicken livers and lemon pepper tilapia alongside vegetables like fried okra, cabbage, sweet potato souffle and squash casserole. \$

### Mediterranean Grill

1591 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-543-5000

mediterraneangrill.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Small chain from Decatur cooks Mediterranean standards in an open kitchen. **MENU:** Grilled meats and veggies (lamb, chicken, kofta, gyros) and tons of vegetarian choices, like falafel, salads, dolmas, hummus and tabbouleh, all of which can be mixed and matched into good combos. Kids meals and business lunch specials. Baklava and other desserts. \$

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4648 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-548-0830

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**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, cash only, live music, karaoke. **THE LOOK:** Escape the downtown scene for the oldest bar in town, built in 1952. The atmosphere is warm and unfussy with pool and country karaoke. **DRINKS:** Cold domestic beer and generous liquor pours. \$

### Mellow Mushroom

320 E. Clayton St. • 706-613-0892

mellowmushroom.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Catering, delivery, outside seating, trivia, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Psychedelia meets sports. **MENU:** This Atlanta-based chain founded in 1974 has been in Athens a long time. Lots of toppings and specialty pies, plus pretzels made with the same dough, salads, subs, calzones and munchies. **DRINKS:** 40+ beers on tap, covering regional and crafts; bottled/canned beers, too, as well wine and liquor. \$\$

### Menchie's

196 Alps Road • 706-208-7223

menchies.com

**FILE UNDER:** Ice Cream. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Seven days, 12–10 or 11 p.m. \$

### Mifflin's House

2467 Jefferson Road • 706-850-6806

facebook.com/mifflins

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Take-out, BYOB. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Simple decor, with street signs that say “Mifflin” and “House.” **MENU:** Big menu focuses on Peruvian standards: lomo saltado, aji de gallina, tallarin, lots of ceviche choices and seafood, causas and causitas. Lots of potatoes and lime juice. Complimentary cancha on the tables. \$

### Moe's Southwest Grill

1320 Baxter St. • 706-369-7776

moes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Moonshine Bar

275 E. Clayton St.

facebook.com/moonshineathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A Clayton Street party bar with warm wood accents and barn doors. **DRINKS:** Rotating beers on draft, margaritas and several flavors of moonshine. \$

### Mother Pho

167 E. Broad St. • 706-354-6006

motherphoathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Delivery, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Patio with a fountain. Plenty of seating inside, too. **MENU:** The traditional beef-broth-based noodle soup is a mainstay, but you can also order banh mi, Vietnamese crepes, summer rolls, claypots and rice dishes. Vietnamese coffee, fruit slushies, bubble tea and coconut juice to drink. \$

### The National

232 W. Hancock Ave. • 706-549-3450

thenationalrestaurant.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Bars, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Reservations, catering, outside

seating, Wi-Fi, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Sophisticated date-night restaurant that works great for lunch, too. **MENU:** Mediterranean-inspired, with tapas and more. There's



lots to keep vegetarians happy, like the “power lunch” (an ever-changing array of healthy, colorful veggie items) and dinner's veggie plate. Also: amazing chicken, beautiful

salads, thoughtful desserts. Uses locally sourced ingredients when possible. **DRINKS:** Wine-by-the-glass selection is large due to the Enomatic system. Finely crafted cocktails change seasonally. The bar has its own scene and hosts the occasional late-night dance party. See ad on p. 53. \$\$\$\$

### New Red Bowl Asian Bistro

1935 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-227-7888

newredbowl.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Slick place with a sushi bar, a full bar with big TVs, a bunch of booths and a big dining room. **MENU:** Plenty of Americanized Chinese standards—plus sushi, Thai curries and lunch bento boxes—but your best bet is to ask for the Szechuan menu (cumin lamb liberally sprinkled with dried red chilis, interesting soups with pickled vegetables, conch in chili oil, unusual meats) and explore. Good noodles, too. \$\$

### Normal Bar

1365 Prince Ave. • 706-548-6186

facebook.com/normal.bar.7

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** There's plenty of space, inside and out, at this friendly neighborhood bar in Normaltown. Unwind on a dog-friendly patio, kept warm by fire in the winter, or play darts in the back room. **DRINKS:** Ever-changing list of craft and local beers and handcrafted cocktails. Try the boiled peanuts. \$

### Nothing Bundt Cakes

1021 Dowdy Road • 706-400-6950

nothingbundtcakes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** 9 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Thu. 9 a.m.–7 p.m., Fri–Sat. \$

### Nowhere Bar

240 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-546-4742

facebook.com/NowhereBarAthens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music. **THE LOOK:** A charming, dive-y bar just across from the Georgia Theatre where locals and students can throw darts, shoot pool and listen to live music most nights. **DRINKS:** Plenty of beers on draft, with the usual suspects behind the bar. \$

### Off the Vine Produce

302 Athens Road, Winterville • 706-899-0400

facebook.com/offthevinewinterville

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Take-out, vegetarian friendly. **HOURS:** 8 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.–4 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Country store in Winterville with a hot lunch counter and a few tables. **MENU:** Fresh produce plus grab-and-go items in a cold case, plus lunch made hot weekdays from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. (Southern stuff, lots of veggies), biscuits in the morning and homemade ice cream on Saturdays, often with fresh fruit. The kitchen is closed Sundays, but the store's still open. \$

### The Office Sports Bar and Grill

135 W. Washington St. • 706-521-5898

theofficeathensga.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, trivia. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** TVs for sports, but marketed more to lawyers and business types. **MENU:** Big menu, with standards like wings and burgers (the latter are \$5 on Tuesdays), but also grilled chicken with various sauces, pork chops, steakhouse sides and large desserts. Breakfast burger at brunch. **DRINKS:** Domestic and craft beer, cocktails with 9-to-5-inspired names. \$\$

### The Old Pal

1320 Prince Ave. • 706-850-4340

theoldpal.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A stylish but easygoing cocktail bar in Normaltown. Bring your dog and stay awhile. Knowledgeable bartenders, occasional dance parties and pop-ups. **DRINKS:** Craft beer, top-shelf spirits, classic and modern specialty cocktails. Housemade bitters, citron syrup and other fresh ingredients add a nice touch. \$

### The Olive Garden

3666 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-227-2225

olivegarden.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### On the Border Mexican Grill & Cantina

3640 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-247-7290

ontheborder.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### On the Rocks

255 E. Clayton St. • 706-354-6666

twitter.com/ontherocksuga

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **THE LOOK:** A college sports bar with spare decor but fast service and an impressive sound system. **DRINKS:** Plenty of inexpensive domestics, wells, shooters and frozen drinks. Every flavor of White Claw your heart desires. \$

### Outback Steakhouse

3585 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-613-6015

outback.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, curbside pick-up. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$\$

### Outtakes

1793 Oconee Connector • 706-355-9122

196 Alps Road • 706-546-1011

gtcmovies.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine (Oconee), full bar (Alps). **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A full-service restaurant in the University 16 and Beechwood movie theaters. **MENU:** American favorites like hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, pizzas and salads, plus Georgia Street Tacos with tilapia. Watch movies in a dine-in theater complete with servers, or pick up meals ahead of time to bring into the other theaters. **DRINKS:** Mostly domestics on drafts, imports and domestics in the bottle, wine. Full bar on Alps. \$

### Panera Bread

3151 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-546-6812

panerabread.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days. \$



### Pauley's Original Crepe Bar

134 E. Clayton St. • 706-549-0034

pauleyscrepebar.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Long, narrow downtown space is quiet at lunch, then turns into a busy bar at night. Big TVs for sports. **MENU:** A bunch of different crepes, both savory and sweet, plus sandwiches, salads, dips and some bar snacks available after 11 p.m. **DRINKS:** Over 150 beers, including 28 on tap (customers who try 100 beers are recognized on the Around the World Beer Club wall), wines, cocktails. \$

### Peach Pit Cafe

321 Athens Road, Winterville • 706-899-0001

facebook.com/PeachPitCafe

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Wed-Sun. **THE LOOK:** Basic, unpretentious barbecue joint in the middle of Winterville. **MENU:** Simple menu: pulled pork, barbecue chicken, ribs and brisket, as a plate (with slaw, stew, chips and bread) or a sandwich. Really good cake. Vinegar-based sauces. \$\$

### Peking Restaurant

2725 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-549-9333

westpekingathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, buffet, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon-Fri, Sun. Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A lot of look! Palatial exterior, ornate red-and-gold interior with an abundance of dragons. **MENU:** Big menu covers all the standards, with lots of vegetarian options. Pre-set dinners based on the quantity of guests makes sharing dishes in large parties easy. The expansive weekday lunch buffet is all-you-can-eat and the best bang for your buck. \$\$

### Pelican's Snoballs

510 Baxter St.

pelicanssnoballs.com

**FILE UNDER:** Snoballs. **FEATURES:** Outside seating. **HOURS:** 12-9 p.m., Mon-Sat. 1-9 p.m., Sun. **THE LOOK:** Pink and blue-bedecked space with giant Connect Four and a few tables outside. **MENU:** Snoballs in a million and a half flavors, from pink grapefruit to pickle. Add in gummies, cream, Nerds or chocolate syrup. Dollar cups of ice for dogs. \$

### Peppino's

950 Whitehall Road • 706-613-1616

peppinospizzeria.homestead.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue-Sun. **THE LOOK:** Family-friendly pizza parlor with quick counter service and big TVs, plus a kids area. Operated by the same folks as Little Italy, but more creature comforts here. **MENU:** Standard New York-style staples: huge slices of thin- and thick-crust pizza (or get a whole pie), calzones, giant subs (Italian sausage, Philly cheesesteak, eggplant parmigiana), stromboli, pasta and a salad bar. \$

### The Picnic Basket Meal Market

1973 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-705-1292

picnicbasketmealmarket.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Take-out, vegetarian friendly. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Mon-Fri. **THE LOOK:** Gingham accents in a space focused on to-go business with a chalkboard menu. **MENU:** Changes daily, but could include zucchini boats, chicken piccata, lasagna, strawberry feta salad, hashbrown casserole, beef roast and the like. Lots of veggie sides. Everything is available in cold cases to take home and heat up. You can also call ahead. \$

### Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center

1199 Prince Ave. • 706-475-7000

piedmont.org

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Two eateries that welcome the general public, as well as visitors or staff. The Dogwood Bistro Cafeteria is on the basement floor of Talmadge Tower 1. The Dogwood Deli is on the first floor of Prince Tower. **MENU:** Cafeteria selections rotate daily and are relatively nutritious. The deli does sandwiches, salads, smoothies and Jittery Joe's coffee. \$

### The Pine

1235 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-208-0059

thepineathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outdoor seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, Tue-Sat. Dinner and late night, Tue-Sun. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** New South eats fueled by a visible wood-fired oven behind the long bar. **MENU:** Flatbreads with creative toppings make good use of the oven. Daily burger special, nightly hand-rolled pasta, fancy veggie-forward dishes and some heartier stuff for dinner, like trout or hanger steak. Brunch highlights biscuits. **DRINKS:** Five Points Bottle's owners are involved, which means a great list of beer and wine and some thoughtful cocktails. \$\$\$

### Pita Pit

123 N. Jackson St. • 706-552-0051

pitapit.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch to late night, Mon-Sat. \$

### The Place

229 E. Broad St. • 706-850-2988

theplaceathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome, Bars. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** Beautifully renovated, historic downtown space, with a great bar upstairs. Not too casual, not too formal. **MENU:** Southern food that updates meat-and-three standards with lighter, healthier ingredients or makes them trendier (e.g., collard spring rolls with chow chow). Daily specials and milk and cookies for dessert. **DRINKS:** 11 craft beers on draft, wine, Southern-accented cocktails. \$\$

### Planet Smoothie

196 Alps Road • 706-316-3090

1993 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-353-8181

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2361 W. Broad St. • 706-369-3111

planetsmoothie.com

**FILE UNDER:** Smoothies. **FEATURES:** Catering. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### Plantation Buffet

1119 Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy. • 706-353-3663

plantationbuffet.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome and BBQ. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering, counter service, take-out, checks. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon-Fri. **THE LOOK:** Casual atmosphere, unassuming space. **MENU:** Country cooking with a buffet that changes daily. Expect fried chicken, steak and gravy, barbecue pork, meatloaf, turnip greens, mashed potatoes, yams and Southern desserts. Goat appears on the menu sometimes. \$

### Polleria Pablo

3075 Danielsville Road • 706-461-2533

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American. **FEATURES:** Cash only, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Thu-Sun. **THE LOOK:** A counter and a few tables at the back

of a convenience store by Sandra's Salon. **MENU:** Mostly Peruvian dishes, with a few Salvadorean offerings and some Mexican standards. Excellent ceviche, magical roasted/grilled chicken with cilantro-infused rice, good lomo saltado and some desserts. Menu on a whiteboard for easy alteration. Featured on John T. Edge's SEC Network food show. \$

### Porterhouse Grill

459 E. Broad St. • 706-369-0990

porterhouseathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Reservations, outside seating, live music. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon-Fri. Dinner, Mon-Sat. **THE LOOK:** Locally owned steakhouse is dark and quiet, a grown-up space downtown. **MENU:** Lunch has lots that isn't steak: fish tacos, grilled salmon BLT, turkey club, crab-avocado salad. Dinner is fancier, with steaks alongside surf-and-turf, traditional à la carte sides and a classic wedge salad. **DRINKS:** Four beers on tap, long wine list, full bar. \$\$\$

### Pouch Savory World of Pies

151 E. Broad St. • 706-395-6696

pouchpies.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out, full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon-Sat. Late night, Thu-Sat. **THE LOOK:** Lots of seating options, including community tables, in this long space. **MENU:** Savory pies (some handheld, some not) with fillings inspired by South Africa, Russia, the Mediterranean, Portugal and more. Good sides, some larger entrees, sweet pies and soup and salad. **DRINKS:** Draft beer and wine. Pimm's cups and other cocktails from around the world. \$

### Pub on Main

22 N. Main St., Watkinsville • 706-310-4450

pubonmainwatkinsville.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, seven days. Dinner, Mon-Sat. **THE LOOK:** Family-friendly spot with lawn games outside. **MENU:** Burgers, Cuban, hot fish sandwich, Cajun deviled eggs. Entrees at dinner include a daily stuffed meatloaf, a country-fried plate with sawmill gravy, pulled pork, and fish and chips with dill pickle aioli. **DRINKS:** Frosé, tons of whiskeys, good craft beer selection, three beers on tap. \$\$

### Pulaski Heights BBQ

675 Pulaski St. • 706-583-9600

pulaskiheightsbbq.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** BYOB, catering, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Next to the railroad tracks down Pulaski Street. Family-friendly patio with sidewalk chalk.

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### Rachel's Southern Style Restaurant

1021 Jamestown Blvd., Watkinsville • 706-310-0091

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**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon-Fri. Sunday lunch. **THE LOOK:** Country cooking in a strip mall in Watkinsville. **MENU:**

Traditional Southern cuisine with a rotating menu written on a whiteboard. Choose among pork chops, chicken, fish and more, grilled or fried, plus fried chicken livers and a host of vegetable sides (rutabagas, cabbage, carrot-and-raisin salad, turnip greens, hash-brown casserole). Homemade desserts. \$

### Rafferty's Restaurant & Bar

15 Huntington Road • 706-613-0045

raffertys.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### The Rail Athens

1120 Mitchell Bridge Road • 706-354-7289

facebook.com/therailathens

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken, Bars. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, live music. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A laid-back bar and grill full of pool tables, dart boards, slot machines and big-screen TVs. Trivia contests, dart league nights, pool tournaments and Texas Hold'em weekly. **MENU:** Typical bar food, including burgers, wings, sandwiches, nachos and fries. **DRINKS:** 15 beers on draft and a fully stocked bar. \$

### Raising Cane's

795 Baxter St. • 706-548-2008

raisingcanes.com

**FILE UNDER:** Chicken. **FEATURES:** Counter service, drive-thru. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, late night, seven days. \$

### Red Lobster

1956 W. Broad St. • 706-549-5376

redlobster.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$\$

### Redfearn Grille

197 E. Broad St. • 706-549-4433

facebook.com/redfearngrille

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars. **FEATURES:** Buffet, catering. **HOURS:** Breakfast and dinner, seven days. Sunday lunch. **THE LOOK:** Inside the Holiday Inn and serving hotel guests and the public alike. **MENU:** Stuffed French toast, waffles, biscuit sandwiches and omelets in the morning. Evening entrees include a New York strip steak, sun-dried-tomato ravioli, fried chicken and balsamic-glazed pork chops. Sunday lunch buffet or à la carte ordering. Lunch on Easter, Mother's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. \$\$

### The Roadhouse

137 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-613-2324

facebook.com/roadhousedive

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, live music, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A dive bar "serving hangovers since 1991," featuring neon lighting and friendly bartenders. Conveniently located next door to pizza. **DRINKS:** The usual domestics and imports are behind the bar, plus liquors and specialty shots. \$

### The Rooftop

215 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-850-7670

georgiatheatre.com/rooftop

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Counter service, outside seating, live music, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon-Sat. **THE LOOK:** Cool bar/restaurant on top of the historic Georgia Theatre. Take the elevator up to see fantastic views. DJs and bands regularly. **MENU:** Open both during shows and not, the Rooftop makes grass-fed burgers, a veggie banh mi, pork or tofu barbecue and a few other things ready in a jiffy. **DRINKS:** Draft and canned/bottled beer, mixed drinks. \$

### The Rook and Pawn

294 W. Washington St. • 706-543-5040

therookandpawn.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs, Something Different.

**FEATURES:** Full bar, counter service, outside seating.

**HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE**

**LOOK:** Board-game café with a long, dark space decorated with doors. Kids under 13 play for free. Free bar games. **FOOD:** Lots of things you can eat with one hand while you roll dice with the other: panini, cold sandwiches, salads, cheese plates, bowls of salty and sweet snacks. **DRINKS:** Eight beers on draft; rotating wines and spirits, including cocktails. Coffee, tea and smoothies, too. See ad on p.51. \$\$\$

### The Root

1235 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-208-0059

therootathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **THE LOOK:** A modern, intimate bar in the basement of Five Points restaurant The Pine offering pub games and big-screen TVs. **MENU:** Small plates from upstairs, like deviled eggs, blackened shrimp lettuce wraps, macaroni and cheese, a bar burger on special and some other more substantial eats. **DRINKS:** Plenty of craft beer, hand-crafted cocktails and whiskey. \$

### The Royal Peasant

1675 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-549-7920

royalpeasant.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Bars. **FEATURES:**

Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** English pub with a covered patio and TVs for soccer. **MENU:** The tiny kitchen turns out delicious English food: bangers and mash, lamb burger, curries, housemade potato chips with



blue cheese and bacon and specials depending on the day, plus a couple of really good desserts. **DRINKS:** UK beers, dry ciders, craft brews, wine, whiskey and cocktails. See ad on p.54. \$\$

### Ru San's

196 Alps Road • 706-552-0488

rusansathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, reservations, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Big, loud sushi bar with a heated outdoor patio. **MENU:** Lots of specialty rolls and sashimi and sushi combinations. Many options if you don't do sushi, like noodles, rice dishes, tempura, grilled fish and more. **DRINKS:** Premium cold sakes and cocktails with Japanese ingredients. Beer and wine, too, including four plum wines. \$\$

### Sake Mama

166 E. Clayton St. • 770-456-7890

sakemama-uga.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar. **THE LOOK:**

Knock some shots off chopsticks and hit the dance floor.

**DRINKS:** A neon menu offers over 20 types of sake bombs. Beer, too. \$

### Sakura Steak House

3557 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-227-0001

1225 S. Milledge Ave. • 706-850-2027

sakuraathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar.

**HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Original location is a hidden gem in its shopping center. Five Points one is similar but more compact. Both locations offer hibachi tables. **MENU:** Simple but beautifully presented food made with fresh ingredients. Good sushi. Lunch specials are a great deal, with bento boxes and maki combinations. Hot pots, yaki udon and hibachi dinners. **DRINKS:** Japanese beer, sake, cocktails, wine. \$\$

### Sandbar

220 College Ave. • 404-271-8440

instagram.com/sandbarathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Party among the palm trees at this landlocked beach bar. **DRINKS:** Take a shot off a surfboard with three friends or choose from "blackout buckets," frozen drinks and a full bar to cover all the refreshments you need. \$

### Saucehouse Barbeque

830 W. Broad St. • 706-363-3351

saucehouse.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, counter service, live music, outside seating, take-out, trivia. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, Wed-Sun. **THE LOOK:** Big complex with a great patio (with porch swing and cornhole) and a bar that serves a different menu from the restaurant proper. **MENU:** Chicken, pork, brisket, ribs, tofu,

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heftily topped baked potatoes. Classic sides. Lots of types of sauce. The bar has snacks like pork nachos and fried mac-and-cheese balls. **DRINKS:** The separate bar is open seven nights a week serving local beers, cocktails and wine with plenty of weekly specials. \$

### The Savannah Room

1197 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-542-6341

hotel.uga.edu

**FILE UNDER:** American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Breakfast, Sat–Sun. **THE LOOK:** UGA Hotel restaurant focuses on service. **MENU:** Some stuff on the menu is tradition, like Celestial Chicken (breaded chicken tenders over rice pilaf with a special sauce) and strawberry ice-cream pie, but there's also steak, sandwiches, grilled fish, shrimp and grits and good vegetarian choices. Parking is validated for up to two hours in the South Campus Deck. **DRINKS:** Classic cocktails, beer and wine. \$\$

### Schlotzsky's Deli

1490 Baxter St. • 706-543-2518

schlotzskys.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, catering, counter service, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Scott & BJ's BBQ

4007 Danielsville Road • 706-546-1005

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Cash and checks only. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Thu–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Country 'cue spot with a few booths, a lunch counter and the motto "Where the Food Speaks for Itself." **MENU:** Barbecue pork, chicken, beef and ribs with sides like baked beans, hash, slaw, potato salad, collard greens and seasonal vegetables. Sauce is hot and thin. \$\$

### Seabear Oyster Bar

297 Prince Ave. • 706-850-4367

seabearoysterbar.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** 3 p.m.–12 a.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** Casual but hip oyster bar in the Bottleworks with pretty details. **MENU:** Oysters change daily and are from places familiar and not. The rest of the menu is mostly small plates: a fantastic grilled cheese, mini lobster roll, Parker House rolls. Monday is ramen night (vegan and delicious). Oyster deals at daily happy hours, 3–6 p.m. and 10 p.m.–12 a.m. **DRINKS:** Beer, wine, absinthe, sake, serious cocktails and frozen Negronis. See ad on p. 54. \$\$\$



### Sr. Sol

2455 W. Broad St. • 706-850-7112

175 Tallassee Road • 706-546-1570

facebook.com/SrSolRestaurants

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar, delivery, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Tallassee location has limited seating but a few tables outside (and is attached to a gas station). Broad Street location is better for big groups and has mariachi sometimes. **MENU:** Plenty for people looking for burritos, but there's also horchata to drink, real Mexican-style tacos (on corn tortillas with onions, cilantro, lime and fatty meats) and an awesome hamburguesa topped with ham and pineapple. **DRINKS:** Margaritas served frozen or on the rocks, available in a variety of flavors. Beer, too. \$\$

### Shane's Rib Shack

680 U.S. Hwy. 29 N. • 706-549-9135

shanesribshack.com

**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### Shokitini

251 W. Clayton St. • 706-353-7933

shokitini.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Karaoke, full bar, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** Dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Loud and slick, with private karaoke rooms upstairs that are a big attraction. **MENU:** Lengthy menu of sushi and sashimi options: nigiri, hand rolls, veggie options, house and special rolls. Also fried softshell crab, dumplings, land proteins (steak, chicken), lobster, noodles and desserts. **DRINKS:** Hot and cold sake, saketinis, wine, mostly domestic beer but a few Japanese brews. \$\$\$

### Silver Dollar

262 College Ave. • 706-353-3093

facebook.com/silverdollarathens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** This clean, classic college bar is especially popular on game days. Play darts or grab some air on a covered outdoor patio. **DRINKS:** 10 beers on tap, well drinks and daily specials. \$

### Sips Espresso Café

1390 Prince Ave. • 706-363-7211

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**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Until 9 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** Small, independent coffee shop in the heart of Normaltown with a covered year-round porch. **MENU:** Pastries and treats from local bakeries, plus lattes, cappuccinos and espresso drinks brewed with Jittery Joe's and 1000 Faces coffee. Some Latin-inspired options and specialty drinks. Vietnamese iced coffee in the summer. Many loose tea options as well. \$

### Siri Thai Cuisine

1040 Gaines School Road • 706-850-3500

sirithaiathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Nicely laid out, with carpet, plants and a long bar. **MENU:** Many vegetarian options and dishes that can be built around chicken, shrimp, pork, beef, seafood, tofu or vegetables. Noodles, rice entrees, soups, salads, curries and a Thai dessert selection. Choose your spice level, from mild to serious. Lunch specials. **DRINKS:** A couple of Thai beers among the domestics, sakes and a section of organic wines. \$\$

### Sister Louisa's Church

254 W. Clayton St. • 706-850-3668

sisterlouisaschurch.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** Don a choir robe and gather at the irreverent bar covered in velvet paintings, Pee-Wee Herman dolls and satirical religious pieces. Dance the night away, play a bit of ping-pong and munch on the complimentary Goldfish crackers. **DRINKS:** Try the house sangria. It's sacrilegious. \$

### Smoothie King

1591 S. Lumpkin St. • 706-613-2600

smoothieking.com

**FILE UNDER:** Smoothies. **FEATURES:** Catering, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Seven days. \$

### South Kitchen and Bar

247 E. Washington St. • 706-395-6125

southkitchenbar.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Fri. Dinner, Mon–Sun. Late night, Fri–Sat. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** In the beautiful, historic

### SOUTH KITCHEN + BAR

Georgian building with vintage tile and stained glass. **MENU:** New South-ish cuisine from a polished team. The tater tots are made with duck fat. The veggie burger incorporates housemade tempeh and kidney beans. Small plates and large ones. Brunch has egg scramblers and meaty skillet, plus pancakes and special cocktails. Gluten-free menu. **DRINKS:** Rotating draft beers in full or half pours, good wines by the glass (and bottle) and regularly changing craft cocktails with housemade ingredients. See ad on p. 2. \$\$

### Southern Brewing Company

231 Collins Industrial Blvd. • 706-548-7183

sobrewco.com

**FILE UNDER:** Breweries. **FEATURES:** Beer. **THE LOOK:** SBC offers an indoor space with a bar and brewing equipment, as well as a big yard for live music, wrestling and other events. **DRINKS:** A wide variety of beers, with standards like the Red and Black Berliner and Hobnail IPA on tap. The brewery also offers small-batch, seasonal releases. \$

### Square One Fish Co.

1298 Prince Ave. • 706-353-8862

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**FILE UNDER:** American. **HOURS:** Dinner, seven days. Sunday lunch. **FEATURES:** Full bar, vegetarian friendly. **THE LOOK:** The popular seafood restaurant has returned on Prince Avenue in the former P&M Army Store, complete with octopus mural. **MENU:** Daily specials posted on a chalkboard to keep things fresh. Lots of fish: blackened, sautéed or fried. Jerk spiced mussels, oysters and a few non-seafood entrees. **DRINKS:**



Lots of local beers, wines and cocktails available with dinner or at the bar. Try a rosé sangria or Italian margarita. See ad on p. 43. \$\$

### Starland Pizzeria and Pub

145 E. Clayton St. • 706-613-8773

starlandpizza.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, full bar, take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Your choice of table or counter service. Big bar upstairs with pinball, Skee-Ball, pool and ping-pong, plus rooms for private parties. **MENU:** Large New York-style slices with lots of fresh toppings, specialty pies, big calzones, salads and sandwiches on housemade focaccia. **DRINKS:** Domestic and import bottles and cans, tons of craft beer, wine and cocktails. See ad on p. 57. \$



### Steak 'n Shake

2033 W. Broad St. • 706-353-6969

steaknshake.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, outside seating. **HOURS:** 24 hours, seven days. \$

### Strickland's Restaurant

4723 Atlanta Hwy. • 706-548-7003

stricklandsrestaurant.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Catering, checks. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Fri. Breakfast, Sat. **THE LOOK:** Family-run half-century-old operation out Atlanta Highway. Look for the big billboard to find it. **MENU:** Southern comfort food done perfectly. Big buttermilk biscuit sandwiches (filled with eggs, cheese or many meats), pancakes, grits and hashbrowns in the morning. Meat-'n'-three lunches off a steam table may include fried chicken, ribs, catfish, pork chops, mashed potatoes and gravy, creamed corn and greens. \$

### Suncatcher Café

42 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-424-8281

facebook.com/suncatchercafe

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** Breakfast, Mon–Sat. Sunday lunch. **THE LOOK:** Space next to a gas station in downtown Watkinsville, with some seating in an adjoining room. **MENU:** Biscuits, omelets, bowls of breakfast stuff, breakfast burritos, pancakes, French toast, hash browns, grits and the like, all made fast. Lunch on Sunday comes off a steam table and includes Southern-style meats and veggies. Kids meals. \$

### Sundown Saloon

50 Gaines School Road • 706-850-1180

facebook.com/SundownSaloonAthens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **THE LOOK:** A no-frills watering hole on the Eastside. DJs sometimes, pool always. 25 and up. **DRINKS:** A couple beers on draft and the usual domestics in bottle, wells behind the bar. \$

### Sweetie Pie by Savie

150 E. Whitehall Road • 706-850-9255

facebook.com/sweetiepiebysavie

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., Tue–Fri. 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Sat. **THE LOOK:** Historic grocery renovated into cute bakery. **MENU:** European, American and Asian sweets, including fancy custom cakes, taro croissants, cupcakes, mini pies, bar cookies and anything you can imagine with fondant. Savory things, too, including scones and tiny pies. Espresso and drip coffee in the a.m. Custom orders of all kinds. \$

### The Table Bistro

1075 Baxter St., B102 • 706-395-6599

mkt.com/thetableathens

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, outside seating, take-out, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. Dinner, Mon, Wed–Fri. **THE LOOK:** Sweet hidden gem on Baxter that attracts grown-ups. **MENU:** Asian-accented quick bistro with an emphasis on fresh flavors and beautiful presentation. Lots of lightly seasoned veggies and seafood. Gluten-free and dairy-free options. \$\$

### Taco Stand

2270 Barnett Shoals Road • 706-549-5481

247 E. Broad St. • 706-549-1446

670 N. Milledge Ave. • 706-549-2894

facebook.com/thetstand

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar (Broad), beer (Milledge and Barnett Shoals), outside

seating (Broad and Milledge). **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** The original location on Milledge is the most spartan, but has its charm. Downtown is big and open, with sports on TV. Eastside is in a strip mall, but clean and neat. **MENU:** If you just get tacos, you'll miss the great strengths of this small local chain: burritos (beef, chicken, tofu, bean), Mega Nachos, veggie chili in the cooler months and basic quesadillas (with onions and jalapeños). Slight menu variations among locations. **DRINKS:** Frozen margaritas downtown; beer at the other two. \$

### Tacos los Plebes

3077 Danielsville Road • 706-208-1930

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **THE LOOK:** Food counter in the back of a small but well-stocked supermarket with a few tables. **MENU:** Limited but well-executed choices, cooked right in front of you on the flat top. Pollo, lengua, cabeza, al pastor, chorizo, carnitas, barbacoa, asada and tripa prepared as tacos, sopes (some of the best in town), tortas, burritos or quesadillas. Menudo on weekends, a big cooler of horchata. Credit cards accepted, cash preferred. \$

### Tacuari Sabor Latino

2131 Hog Mountain Road, Watkinsville • 706-705-6333

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**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and South American, Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Counter and table service, full bar, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Sweet bakery and restaurant in a Watkinsville strip mall across from Publix, with a nice kids area. **MENU:** Uruguayan steaks and choripan, chicken milanesa torta, breakfast all day, chivito, churrosco del sur and more, with a much expanded menu at dinner. Great baked goods, especially Latin American sweet breads, and tasty empanadas, both sweet and savory. Some gluten-free items. \$

### Taqueria del Sol

334 Prince Ave. • 706-353-3890

taqueriadelсол.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **FEATURES:** Full bar, catering, counter service, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. Dinner, Tue–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Chef-crafted taqueria in a cool, clean, efficient space. **MENU:** This location of the Atlanta-based franchise is run by the original owners, with an eye toward consistency and quality. The menu is small, but everything is good, and specials change weekly. Pork, brisket, fried chicken, carnitas, fish and veggie tacos are intensely flavored. Follow the system (order at the counter, then sit down), and everything will run smoothly. **DRINKS:** Great selection of premium tequilas, build-your-own margaritas, bottled beers. \$

### Taqueria Juaritos

3875 Jefferson Road • 706-521-5260

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Taqueria with some seating inside the Petro Express. **MENU:** Tacos, sopes, gorditas and burros (burritos) with fillings including asada, chicken, al pastor, barbacoa, carnitas, deshebrada (shredded beef), tongue, tripe, chorizo and buche (stomach), plus hot wings. Don't skip the hot pickled onions on the condiment bar, and get the veggie-heavy shrimp soup if it's available. \$

### Taqueria la Jalisco

3750 Old Jefferson Road • 706-316-3560

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A small taqueria housed inside a Mexican grocery store. **MENU:** Authentically prepared Mexican cuisine, including menudo, carnitas, chorizo tacos, tortas, al pastor and a few freshly made salsas. Great baked goods in the grocery section and paletas in the freezer. \$

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2439 Jefferson Road • 706-549-4977

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lapa.us

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Full bar (Jefferson and Gaines School), beer and wine (Watkinsville), delivery, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Family-friendly Mexican restaurant with festive decor. **MENU:** Lots of standards well executed, like big burritos to which you can add cheese dip, tons of vegetarian options, taco salads, fajitas and combos. Also a low-cal menu, Mexican tacos, sopes and tortas. Something for everyone, great for big groups. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, Mexican beers, regular bottled stuff, pitchers. \$\$

### Taqueria Tsunami

1791 Oconee Connector • 706-353-0040

320 E. Clayton St. • 706-621-7999

taqueriatsunami.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Mexican and South American, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, take-out, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Atlanta-based chain with two of six locations in Athens. **MENU:** Asian/Latin fusion tacos: bulgogi and shiitake, teriyaki chicken with pineapple pico de gallo, tofu with sesame-soy vinaigrette and more. Apps, bowls and salads. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, cocktails, sangria, craft beers. \$

### Taste of India

1040 Gaines School Road • 706-559-0000

indiaathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Sleeker environs in the new location. **MENU:** Big menu of Indian standards, from samosas and pakoras to poori, chat, tandoori and many vegetarian options. There's goat, and combination dinners. The lunch buffet is no longer an option. Lassis, chai and Indian tea to drink. **DRINKS:** Wine and beer, including Indian varieties of both. \$\$\$

### Taziki's Mediterranean Cafe

227 Prince Ave. • 706-247-7619

tazikiscfe.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Two-level corner space in the Bottleworks. **MENU:** Mediterranean quick-service franchise does healthful grilled food, including gyros, entree-size salads and "feasts" (grilled veggies or protein, salad, side). Soups, baklava, daily specials, family take-home meals, hummus and spicy pimento cheese, too. \$\$

### Team Biscuits and Burgers

745 Danielsville Road • 706-543-8326

teambandb.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome, Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Counter service, drive-thru, catering, outside seating. **HOURS:** Breakfast and lunch, Mon–Sat. Dinner, Thu–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Red-and-black football theme. **THE MENU:** Breakfast biscuits with sausage, bacon, bologna, steak, chicken, country ham, tenderloin, smoke-link or salmon. Beef, chicken, salmon and shrimp burgers. Some healthier options, too. Wings available in large quantities. \$

### Ted's Most Best

254 W. Washington St. • 706-543-1523

tedsmostbest.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, counter service, outside

seating, live music, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** One of the best patios around, partially covered, with a big sandbox that attracts lots of kids. **MENU:** Refined, individually sized thin-crust pizzas make toppings like pineapple seem sophisticated.



Sandwiches, calzones, pastas, sliders and a great beet salad. Desserts in the refrigerated case. **DRINKS:** Five taps, \$1 PBR at happy hour, good beer in cans and bottles, a few wines by the glass. See ad on p. 26. \$\$

### Teriyaki 101

1805 Epps Bridge Pkwy. • 706-353-0823

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**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Take-out, counter service. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Simple, clean space that looks like a franchise but isn't. **MENU:** Teriyaki bowls come with beef, shrimp or chicken, your choice of veggies and a sauce (spicy Korean, yum yum, wasabi mayo, teriyaki). Fried shrimp, fried fish, wings, chicken tenders and fried rice. Kids menu. \$

### Terrapin Beer Co.

265 Newton Bridge Road • 706-549-3377

terrapinbeer.com

**FILE UNDER:** Breweries. **FEATURES:** Beer, live music, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A warehouse just past Chase with an indoor tasting room and a huge lawn with a stage and picnic tables. The brewery hosts live music and annual events. Dogs are welcome! **DRINKS:** The company has been making craft beer in Athens for over 15 years. Sample the session RecreationAle, Sound Czech pilsner or Hopsecutioner IPA. \$

### Texas Roadhouse

1021 Dowdy Road • 706-613-1300

texasroadhouse.com

**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, reservations. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$\$

### Thai E3 Cuisine

269 E. Broad St. • 706-223-0163

thai3cuisine.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Delivery, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Nice views from a second-floor place with a bright entrance. **MENU:** Thai classics made with fresh ingredients and less sugar than at many restaurants. Curry fries, good noodles and salads, Thai duck, seafood and sweet rice for dessert. Lunch specials and bubble tea. \$\$

### Thai Spoon

149 N. Lumpkin St. • 706-548-9222

thaispoonathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, take-out, delivery, reservations. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. Sunday dinner. **THE LOOK:** Cozy and ornate, with lots of small tables throughout the space. **MENU:** Big menu runs from fresh Thai salads to satay, spicy basil duck, lots of seafood and vegetarian (and vegan) options. Kids menu with Thai scrambled eggs. Great deals at lunch. **DRINKS:** Beer and wine, Thai iced tea and Thai iced coffee. \$\$

### That Bar Athens

251 W. Clayton St.

thatbarathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs. **THE LOOK:** A cocktail lounge with dance parties, live music, comedy and drag shows. **DRINKS:** Champagne and wine, craft cocktails, local and domestic beer. \$

### Tlaloc El Mexicano Restaurant

1225 N. Chase St. • 706-613-9301

tlalocelmexicanorestaurant.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican and Latin American. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Brightly colored cinder-block building near the Loop, with some picnic tables outside. **MENU:** Named for the Aztec rain god, this restaurant has a cult following for its Central American specialties and real-deal Mexican food. Pupusas, massive tortas, regular specials and fantastic mole. Breakfast starts at 10 a.m. and is served all day, featuring eggs, beans and pork products. **DRINKS:** Margaritas, beer. \$\$

### Tokyo Express

690 U.S. Hwy. 29 • 706-543-8833

tokyoespressga.net

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **THE LOOK:** Quick-service hibachi and sushi by the Space Kroger. **MENU:** A decent selection of sushi rolls, including specialty ones, plus wings, bento box specials at lunch and dinner, hibachi, soup, edamame, some fried apps and poke bowls with baby octopus as well as tuna and salmon. \$

### Toppers International Showbar

100 N. Jackson St. • 706-613-0504

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, exotic dancing. **THE LOOK:** The only strip club in Athens is right downtown! Special shows like the male revue happen often. **DRINKS:** Full bar with prices for high rollers and budget drinkers alike. \$

### Trappeze Pub

269 N. Hull St. • 706-543-8997

trapezepub.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. Sunday brunch. **THE LOOK:** High ceilings, plenty of character. **MENU:** From snacks to full meals: boiled peanuts, barbecue pork tacos, sliders, French onion soup, veggie-packed quinoa salad, burgers, ribs, cheeses and more. **DRINKS:** Serious beer, with more than 200 well-described options in the bottle and 30 on tap, plus wine and nice cocktails. See ad on p. 2. \$



### The Traveling Hobo Cafe

20 Greensboro Hwy., Watkinsville • 706-310-4323

facebook.com/TravelingHoboCafe

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **HOURS:** Lunch, seven days. Dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Lots of train paraphernalia in a cozy downtown Watkinsville space. **MENU:** Burgers are the biggest attraction, and they're huge and varied: lamb, bison, doughnuts for patties, etc. Not much in the way of health food, even in the salad section, but the fries with gravy are great. Vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options. Kids menu. \$

### Treehouse Market

8851 Macon Hwy. • 706-850-4380

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**FILE UNDER:** American. **FEATURES:** Counter service. **HOURS:** 8 a.m.–8 p.m., seven days. **THE LOOK:** A few tables inside an upscale convenience store, not to be confused with the toy and craft store on Broad. **MENU:** Sandwiches made with meats sliced to order (Cuban, Cajun Philly, etc.), soup,

wings, empanadas, chicken tenders, potato salad, pasta salad and suchlike. Coffee, tea and a wide selection of other beverages. \$

### Uncle Ernie's Pub N Grub

235 W. Washington St. • 706-850-8990

facebook.com/ue.athens

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers And Chicken.

**FEATURES:** Full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A little swankier than you might expect, with a long, varnished bar and some tall tables.

**MENU:** Straightforward place that's been closed a long time, but finally has a new location. Lots of veggie choices (sandwiches and salads), meaty sandwiches. French fries, tater tots, chips, pickles. \$

### Utage Athens Sushi Bar

440 E. Clayton St. • 706-227-9339

utageathenssushibar.com

**FILE UNDER:** Asian, Vegetarian Friendly, Bars. **FEATURES:**

Full bar, reservations, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Fri. Dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** A long sushi bar, plus tables lit by twinkling star lights. **MENU:** Lots of specialty rolls on the menu, but the nigiri shows off the fish best. Big menu also includes udon and ramen, tonkatsu, teriyaki, fried rice and kids specials that come with ice cream. All-you-can-eat special. **DRINKS:** Hot and cold sake, Japanese (and American) beers, wine, sake bombs and martinis. \$\$

### The Varsity

1000 W. Broad St. • 706-548-6325

thevarsity.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Drive-thru, catering, counter service, outside seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Fri and Sat. **THE LOOK:** "What'll ya have?" greets you at the door of this retro fast-food eatery, still going strong after 80 years. **MENU:** Hot dogs (with slaw, chili or pimento cheese), burgers, BLTs, grilled cheese, chicken sandwiches, french fries and onion rings. Wash it down with the famous frosted orange. Fried apple or peach pies, ice cream and brownies for dessert. \$

### Veronica's Sweet Spot

149 Oneta St. • 706-247-0421

facebook.com/sweetspotathens

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **HOURS:** Mid-morning to mid-afternoon, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Sweet space in the Chase Park warehouses packed with art, books and more. **MENU:** Coffee from Jittery Joe's, tea, pastries from Independent Baking Co. and others, plus packaged snacks (yogurt, cheese sticks, pretzels, etc.) and some ready-made sandwiches. \$

### Viva! Argentine Cuisine

247 Prince Ave. • 706-850-8284

vivaargentine.com

**FILE UNDER:** South American, Vegetarian Friendly.

**FEATURES:** Beer and wine, delivery, outside seating.

**HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue–Sun. **THE LOOK:** Open space with a small bar, black-and-white tiled floor and color scheme that reflects the Argentinean flag. **MENU:** Not just beef, lots of vegetarian choices. Empanadas are a popular option, with fillings including sausage and rice, spinach and mushroom and ham and cheese. Dinner options include lomo con papas fritas, as well as chicken, shrimp and steak entrees. Cupcakes in regular and mini sizes, with a soft filling in the middle, are a highlight. See ad on p. 57. \$\$



### Walker's Coffee & Pub

128 College Ave. • 706-543-1433

facebook.com/walkerspub

**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries, Bars, Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Full bar, outside seating, counter service, art, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Open seven days. **THE LOOK:** Large bar, tons of booths. A good place for meetings or late-night hanging out. **MENU:** From locally roasted coffees, pastries, bagels, breakfast burritos and drunken waffles (Guinness and chocolate chips) to sandwiches, quesadillas and small burgers. **DRINKS:** Six beers on draft and over 70 in bottles, including many microbrews. \$

### Weaver D's Fine Foods

1016 E. Broad St. • 706-353-7797

weaverds.com

**FILE UNDER:** Downhome. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, outside seating, delivery. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Look for the bright-green cinderblock building and the sign that reads "Automatic for the People." Few frills. Be snappy with your order, or you'll hear about it. **MENU:** Dexter Weaver is still serving up fantastic fried chicken, squash casserole, mac and cheese, collards and the like. The James Beard Foundation named it an "America's Classic." Damn right. \$

### White Tiger Gourmet

217 Hiawassee Ave. • 706-353-6847

whitetigergourmet.com

**FILE UNDER:** Something Different, Downhome and BBQ, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, live music, BYOB, delivery, take-out, art, outside seating.

**HOURS:** Lunch, Mon–Sat. Dinner, Thu–Sat. Sunday brunch.

**THE LOOK:** Tucked away in a historic grocery with cozy indoor seating and fun picnic tables outside, plus toys for kids.

**MENU:** Carnivores and vegetarians will be equally happy. Good ingredients abound. Perfect burgers, great veggies cooked on the flat-top, smoked pork barbecue and tofu-q; daily specials and seasonal sides. At brunch, try a biscuit sandwich or stack of pancakes covered in pulled pork. \$\$

### Willy's Mexicana Grill

196 Alps Road • 706-548-1920

willys.com

**FILE UNDER:** Mexican, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer, catering, counter service, delivery, outside seating. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Wing House Grill

8727 U.S. Hwy. 29, Hull • 706-850-9700

64 N Main St., Watkinsville • 706-705-6370

winghouse-grill.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Take-out, outside seating, live music, beer. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Mon–Sat. **THE LOOK:** Casual environs with picnic tables outside that's one of the rare options to get a beer in Madison County. **MENU:** Wings, but also fried green tomatoes, burgers, mozzarella sticks, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches and salads. Kids meals include a cookie. Homemade cake. \$

### Wings Over Athens

311 E. Broad St. • 706-850-1569

wingsover.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Catering, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. \$

### Wingster Café

521 Baxter St. • 706-583-9611

wingsterathens.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers and Chicken. **FEATURES:** Counter service, delivery. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Located near the high-rise freshman dorms, this is a popular late-night spot for take-out. **MENU:** Wings and chicken tenders (for an individual or in bulk), wraps (including one with french fries, cool ranch, cheese and bacon), sandwiches and some Asian options (sesame chicken, tonkatsu, teriyaki). \$

### WNB Factory

280 Williams St. • 706-308-8088

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**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Burgers And Chicken. **FEATURES:** Catering, outdoor seating, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. Late night, Fri–Sat. \$



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225 Cherokee Road, Winterville • 706-742-2555

wokstarrestaurant.com

**FILE UNDER:** American, Asian. **FEATURES:** Delivery, take-out. **THE HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, Tue-Sun. **THE LOOK:** Real Chinese food hidden in an unassuming Winterville shopping center. **MENU:** Excellent authentic Chinese dishes, including pork with chives, hot pot, yu xiang eggplant, various fish dishes, mapo tofu and more. On the other hand, you can also get Americanized standards, like sesame chicken and Mongolian beef, plus burgers (including one topped with Chinese cabbage), an egg salad sandwich and chicken mull. \$\$\$

### Wok's Up

1791 Oconee Connector, Bogart • 706-521-5486

facebook.com/woksupsgeorgia

**FILE UNDER:** Asian. **FEATURES:** Counter service, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Epps Bridge fast-casual Asian. **MENU:** Made-to-order stir-fry. Pick a protein (steak, chicken, shrimp, pork, tofu), some veggies, a sauce and a base (rice, noodles, salad), then watch the flames leap high as the dudes behind the counter toss it together. \$

### Wonderbar

240 E. Washington St.

instagram.com/wonderbarwonderbar

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** From Super Smash Bros. to old-school board games to rock, paper, scissor tournaments, this gamer bar has something for everyone. Snack offerings to keep up the gaming energy. **DRINKS:** A full bar with sweet specialty drinks like tipsy popsicles and like Princess Peach Tea. \$

### Woodford

120 E. Washington St.

instagram.com/woodford.athens

**FILE UNDER:** Bars and Clubs. **FEATURES:** Full bar, DJs, outside seating. **THE LOOK:** A wall of screens for watching sports and a nice indoor-outdoor seating area. Special events include themed trivia nights, wine tastings and DJs. **DRINKS:** Focusing on craft and draft beer. Specialty cocktails and giant Moscow mules. \$

### The World Famous

351 N. Hull St. • 706-543-4002

facebook.com/theworldfamousathens

**FILE UNDER:** American, Bars, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Counter service, live music/DJs, art, full bar. **HOURS:** Lunch, dinner and late night, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Bright and cute, with funky art and fresh flowers. Serious about football, despite being a townie hangout. **MENU:** Food that goes well with beer, but also good veggie options. Steamed buns, tofu lettuce wraps, tacos, shawarma, chicken-and-waffle sandwich. **DRINKS:** Creative cocktails, well-priced beer (including lots of canned craft brews), wine, housemade nonalcoholic sodas. \$

### Your Pie

196 Alps Road • 706-549-3179

1430 Capital Ave., Watkinsville • 706-705-1510

yourpie.com

**FILE UNDER:** Italian and Pizza, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Beer and wine, catering, counter service, trivia, delivery, Wi-Fi. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. **THE LOOK:** Locally based franchise does personal-size pizzas baked in a brick oven right in front of you. **MENU:** Lots of topping, sauce and cheese choices, as well as several doughs. Pick a specialty pie or build your own. Vegan and

gluten-free pizzas are available. Panini, bread bowl salads and gelato, too. Beer and wine available. Specials on Pi Day (Mar. 14) every year. \$\$

### Zeb's Bar-B-Q

5742 U.S. Hwy. 29, Danielsville • 706-795-2701

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**FILE UNDER:** BBQ. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, checks. **HOURS:** Breakfast, lunch and dinner, Wed-Sat. Lunch, Sun. **THE LOOK:** Country barbecue joint with awesome signage, un-fancy environs. **MENU:** Dean's signature pepper-vinegar sauce attracts 'cue hounds from far and wide, and the creamed-corn-based Brunswick stew has also contributed to its reputation as worthy of a drive. Burgers, chicken sandwiches, fries, tots and slaw, too. Brightly colored slices of soda cake by the register. \$

### Zoe's Kitchen

145 Alps Road • 706-850-3400

zoeskitchen.com

**FILE UNDER:** Sandwiches, Vegetarian Friendly. **FEATURES:** Catering, counter service, drive-thru, take-out. **HOURS:** Lunch and dinner, seven days. \$

### Zombie Coffee and Donuts

350 E. Broad St. • 706-850-2526

eatzombiedonuts.com

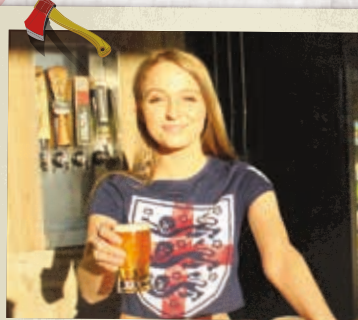
**FILE UNDER:** Coffee Houses and Bakeries. **FEATURES:** Outside seating, Wi-Fi, catering. **HOURS:** Seven days. **THE LOOK:** Wooden tables, doughnuts made before your eyes behind the counter. **MENU:** Coffee, espresso and the main attraction: doughnuts customizable with toppings from shredded coconut to bacon, pecans, Fruity Pebbles and the traditional sprinkles. Vegan, paleo and gluten-free options. Some ready-to-go sandwiches. \$



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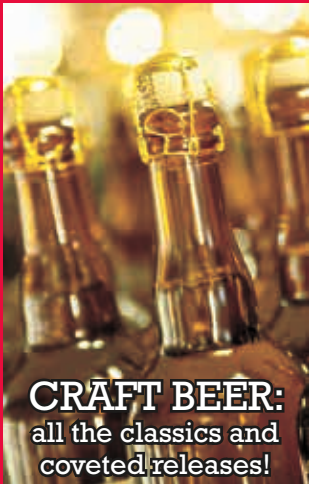
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