

DECATUR

Local
Treasures

ALL THE BEST BITES
AND NEIGHBORHOOD
FAVORITES



Decatur's Local Treasures

Get a taste of the inside scoop.



1 B-Side

151 Sycamore St. • 404-748-4617
deerdoove.com/bside

Start your morning with hand-made, wood-fired bagels and coffee at B-Side. Plain, sea salt, benne, cinnamon + brown sugar + golden raisin, or onion + jalapeño + cheddar – you’ve got options! Or get the Morning B-Side Egg on a Roll. For lunch, they have soups, salads, and sandwiches. Outside seating is available. Small to-go coffees are served in the iconic NYC Greek coffee cups!

local tip: There is always something delicious in the bakery case – danishes, cinnamon rolls, fried pies and babka knots.





2 Calle Latina

627 East College Ave. • 404-378-0020
callelatinadecatur.com

Calle Latina serves up amazing Latin American street food, including tasty empanadas, tortas, arepas and tacos. Expect the wonderful aromas of smoked meats and roasting vegetables. Salsa is handmade. And yes, their margaritas are a must-try! Spot this gem by the vibrant mural outside.

local tip: Look for weekly specials! Half-off margaritas on Thursdays, and all-you-can-drink sangria on Saturdays.



3 Corner Slice

902 W. College Ave. • 404-343-0415
cornersliceatl.com

Detroit-style pizza is the star of this menu. The rectangular pies are large, thick and cheesy. The pizzeria also serves crispy wings, fresh salads, and sandwiches.

4 Ford's BBQ

350 Mead Rd. • 404-254-2846 • fords-bbq.com

Pile your plate with pulled pork, brisket, and ribs or grab some burnt ends (their Monday special) before they sell out! They have all the fixings too – fried okra, collards, curly fries, mac and cheese, Brunswick stew...





5 Farm Burger

410 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.

404-378-5077

farmburger.com/decatgur-ga

Ranked by *Food & Wine* among the best burgers in the U.S., these are made from cows raised on the sweet grasses of the southeast, dry-aged and ground fresh, never fed antibiotics, hormones or grain. The menu is seasonal, with beef, pork and produce sourced from nearby farms. Build your own burger or pick a blackboard burger. Try the FB fries – tossed with parmesan, garlic, and herbs.

local tip: Kid-friendly floats and adult floats, too!



6 Folk Art

174 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
404-373-9943
folkartrestaurant.com

Brunch? Second breakfast? Dinner?
Call it what you want. This cozy gem of a
diner is bursting with quirky personality
and specializes in all-day, diner-style
favorites such as chicken-and-waffles;
eggs any style (including six types of eggs
Benedict); jumbo biscuits with house-
made jellies or sausage gravy; pork chili;
and fried chicken sandwiches.

local tip: Don't pass on the grit
fritters served with peach jam.





7 Kelly's Market

308 E. Howard Ave. • 404-996-2925
kellysmarketdecatgur.com

Step inside this one-stop shop for a hearty welcome and beer, wine, groceries, and flowers. Pick up made-to-order sandwiches, soups, baked goods, or meals to-go to heat up at home. It's a short walk from the square, and there's free parking behind the store.

8 La Chiquiada

110 W. Trinity Pl. • 404-549-2018 • lachiquiada.com

La Chiquiada's menu is a love letter to Mexican heat, California ease, and Southern hospitality. Serving morning to night, think tasty tacos but also fluffy biscuits.



local tip: The Desilu, a delicious reuben sandwich, commemorates the first Kelly's Market in L.A. near Desilu Studios.

9 Las Brasas

614 Church St.

404-377-9121

lasbrasasdecatur.com

The house specialty, Peruvian-style rotisserie chicken, will have you licking your fingers and craving more. Get it with the potatoes huancaína. Or the yucca fries. And then go back for the lomo saltado, a stir-fry of filet mignon, tomatoes, french fries, red onion and pureed peppers.

local tip: You can't have too much green sauce. Ask for extra.





10 The Marlay

426 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
404-270-9950
themarlayhouse.com

One of those places where locals bring family and friends for hearty fare and a cold one (or three). Shepherd's Pie, classic fish n' chips, and the Guinness-braised beef brisket are stand-out standards, and the warm brussels sprout salad has a devoted fan base. Round out your meal with a properly poured Guinness on draft, local and imported beers, or seasonal cocktail.

local tip: Live Irish music Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

11 Mezcalito's Cantina

653 East Lake Dr. • 404-687-0007
mezcalitoscantina.com

Authentic Mexican dishes and drinks prepared with a twist in the heart of Oakhurst. Savor the flavor of tamales, tostadas, taquitos, and tacos. And then there's weekend brunch. Heavenly chipotle cheese grits. Huevos con chorizo, con mole, a la Mexican or rancheros. Or try the pancake sandwich (stuffed with fried eggs and bacon, topped with goat cheese-corn sauce).

local tip: All margaritas are made-to-order with freshly squeezed lemons and limes. No mixes here!



12 Noodle

205 E. Ponce de Leon Ave. • 404-378-8622 • noodledecatgur.com
This Pan-Asian noodle house features tastes from Korea, China, Japan, Vietnam, and Thailand. Find large noodle bowls, rice bowls, and noodle soups alongside starters including Thai satay, dumplings, spring rolls, and crab ragoons. Order at the counter; all orders are packaged to-go. Sit inside or out on the large patio.

local tip: The famous fried rice is a crowd-pleaser.



13 Pastries A Go Go

235 Ponce de Leon Pl.
(Commerce Square shopping center)
404-373-3423

Decatur loves Pastries A Go Go for breakfast, lunch, and a wide array of delicious baked goods. Breakfast (until 2:30 pm) features craveable cathead biscuits and house-made sausages. The lunch menu (available 10 am to 2:30 pm) includes salads and sandwiches prepared with fresh ingredients.

14 Raging Burrito

141 Sycamore St.
404-377-3311
ragingburrito.com

Outstanding taqueria fare in a relaxed atmosphere right on the square. Big, hearty burritos, tacos, and other Mexican specialties with a full bar featuring 16 craft and imported beers and more than 50 tequilas. Dine outdoors on the spacious patio around back with Mona Lisa!

local tip: Try the tangy, spicy, sweet pineapple salsa.





15 The Reading Room

429 Church St. • 404-855-5653

thereadingroomatl.com

Glamorous, bohemian, and bookish, the Reading Room is undeniably beautiful. Sip coffee, wine, and cocktails, and order charcuterie boards, small noshes, and, on weekends, scrumptious brunch boards. It's the perfect spot for meeting friends or escaping into a good book.





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Sapori di Napoli

314 Church St. • 404-371-0001
saporidinapolipizzeria.com

Authentic wood-fired Neapolitan-style pizza made with top-quality ingredients. Finely milled, all wheat, unbleached farina flour from one of the oldest vendors in Italy. Sauces made with San Marzano tomatoes. Imported bufala mozzarella. Each pizza is cooked in a massive clay Acunto oven imported from Italy, and served in a cozy, family-owned storefront.

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Siam Thai

123 Sycamore St. • 404-371-4333 • siamthaidecatur.com

Experience a variety of Thai dishes — curries, mango sticky rice, crispy duck, “Drunken Noodles,” and of course Pad Thai. Each has a delicate balance of spices and fresh ingredients. Tucked into the Decatur Square, Siam’s small space bursts with tropical flair.

local tip: Try the crowd-pleasing “Uncle Bob” chef’s specialty.





18 SideChick

125 Clairemont Ave. (Located at the rear of the building)
404-343-2532 • sidechickdeatur.com

Great fried chicken is a delight, and SideChick is a local contender in the ongoing best chicken sandwich “wars.” Pick your chick – the Hot Chick, Georgia Chick, ATL Chick or original SideChick.

19 Smiley's Burger Club

310 E. Howard Ave.

Sink your teeth into an award-winning single, double, or triple smashburger at Smiley's Burger Club. Deliciously crisp every time! *Creative Loafing* crowned them the winner of Atlanta Burger Week 2024.



20-21 Sushi Avenue

20 131 Sycamore St.
404-378-0228

21 308 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
404-378-8448

sushiavenuedecatur.com

Decatur favorites for nearly 30 years, Sushi Avenue's two locations offer traditional Japanese cuisine, including teriyaki, donburi and fresh sushi rolled to order. Sit at the sushi bar for a sneak peek, or try a booth for a quiet, romantic meal.

local tip: Bountiful bento boxes are a great lunch deal at both locations.





22 Taqueria del Sol

359 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.

404-377-7668

taqueriadel.sol.com

Southern, Mexican and Southwestern dishes cooked from scratch with a cross-cultural flair. Grab a margarita while you wait to order, and then enjoy the flavorful and eclectic choices: the Memphis taco with smoked pork, jalapeño coleslaw, and tequila barbecue sauce; the fish taco, with poblano tartar sauce and pickled jalapeños; or one of the weekly specials.

local tip: Order natilla for dessert. It's off-menu and it's delicious.

23 Twain's Brewpub & Billiards

211 E. Trinity Pl.
404-373-0063 • twains.net

Twain's is Decatur's first brewpub – they've been serving up their own beers since 2006. This big bar and billiards hall offers outstanding and inventive American pub fare, live music, and good times.

local tip: Families welcome until 9 o'clock, but adults only after that.





24 Universal Joint

906 Oakview Rd.
404-373-6260
ujointbar.com

The Universal Joint is the perfect neighborhood watering hole. Once a gas and service station, the remodeled space has a casual, industrial feel with working roll-up garage doors. Tap into a broad selection of rotating drafts and bottled beers. Juicy burgers come with fries or tots. Salads, brisket nachos, quesadillas, and tacos are menu options too.

local tip: Grab a seat on the sunny, dog-friendly patio. It's a social hot spot with a front seat to Oakhurst's Harmony Park.

25 Victory Sandwich Bar

340 Church St.

404-377-9300 • vicsandwich.com

Stop in this vibrant snack and sandwich mecca for a casual meal, late-night nosh, or a round of ping-pong. Find seasonal specials, house-made desserts, whiskey and Coke slushies, spiked sodas, popcorn and, of course, sandwiches on their menu. Look for the Beeter – a savory vegetarian sammy that doesn't hold back on flavor.

local tip: Small price, small size, so go ahead and taste two!



LOCAL SIPS

26 Opo Coffee

314 E. Howard Ave.
770-676-2739
opocoffee.com

The café and roastery take its name from the Filipino word meaning “yes” (with respect), a nod to founder Jonathan Pascual’s heritage. The space is bright with playful pops of color and the very pink La Marzocco espresso machine. Stop by for a drip coffee, pour-over, espresso, or chai from house blends. Their training lab schedule is packed with beginner’s roasting basics and latte art classes as well as SCA courses.



27 Oakview Coffee

707 East Lake Dr. • 404-371-1113

This friendly little coffee shop has been a part of the neighborhood for 20+ years, offering up coffee and light fare, positive vibes, and sweets.



28 Rebel Teahouse

225 E. Ponce de Leon Ave.
404-855-0669 • rebelteahouse.com

Time for bubble tea? Rebel Teahouse has all the flavors – milk teas, fruit teas, colorful mermaid matcha, and their signature Dirty Rebel. Try house-made boba, ceremonial grade, certified organic matcha, and authentic Vietnamese coffee.

local tip: Check out their monthly drink specials, vendor pop-ups and free, seasonal stickers by local artists.





29 SOS Tiki Bar

340 Church St. • 404-377-9308
sostiki.com

Take an impromptu trip to the South Pacific at SOS Tiki Bar. Tucked away behind Victory Sandwich Bar, the tropical paradise has a speakeasy vibe immersed in Polynesian ambiance – tiny hula statues, retro graphics, colorful plants, themed glassware, and Hawaiian shirts. Order unsinkable spirits and exotic, pop-up small bites. The fiery Mai Tai is an unforgettable experience.



local tip: During the holidays, SOS transforms into a Mele-Kalikimaka-themed holiday bar with festive boozy drinks!

LOCAL SWEETS



30 Butter & Cream

416 Church St. • 404-378-7272 • butterandcream.com

Ice cream, sorbets and desserts house-made in small batches from Atlanta's hometown frozen treats purveyor and bakeshop.

31 Cereal Lab

335 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
678-779-8002
thecereallab.com

Sweet, crunchy, and nostalgic!
Enjoy a classic bowl of cereal or
get experimental with ice cream,
waffle cones, shakes and more.



32 Cremalosa

2657 E. College Ave.
404-578-2739
cremalosa.com

Pick from a dozen gelato flavors at
a time ranging from traditional
Italian options including
stracciatella and pistachio to
American flavors inspired by
Southern desserts and candy bars.
Gelato cakes and pops, too!

33 Diamond Dust

760 Commerce Dr.
404-458-5463
diamonddustcupcakes.com

Offered up in one of the prettiest little shops you'll ever see, and the flavors – tangy lemon, creme brûlée, ginger mango, German chocolate, to name a few – are absolutely delicious. A total cupcake experience.



34 Hell Yeah Gluten Free

308 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
470-472-9482
hellyeahglutenfree.com

Yes, everything is 100% gluten-free! Donuts, scones, toaster treats, biscuits, and savories. Named one of the 10 Best Gluten-Free Bakeries in the country by USA Today.

35 Lenox Cupcakes

114 E. Ponce de Leon Ave.
404-949-0409
lenoxcupcakes.com

Beautifully decorated and equally delicious, these cupcakes are perfect for parties! Year-round flavors include key lime, salted caramel, and red velvet topped with either cream cheese frosting or Swiss meringue buttercream.



36 Revolution Doughnuts

908 W. College Ave.
678-927-9920
revolutiondoughnuts.com

Gourmet, all-natural, doughnuts hand-made from scratch. Seasonal flavors of yeast-raised rings, cake rings, filled doughnuts, fritters, and buns. Vegan and gluten-free options too!

HOTELS + HELPFUL TIPS

Book an upscale stay steps away from Decatur's central downtown square, named as one of USA Today's 10 Best Public Squares.

Courtyard by Marriott Decatur Conference Center

130 Clairemont Ave.

404-371-0204 • courtyarddecatur.com

Hampton Inn & Suites

116 Clairemont Ave. • 404-377-6360 • hamptoninn.com

MARTA Stations

East Lake 2260 College Ave.

Decatur 400 Church St. (on the square)

Avondale 915 E. Ponce de Leon Ave.

Plentiful Parking

Lots of lots, decks, and street parking.

Pay stations accept credit, debit, and coins.



Downtown
Decatur Square



Courtyard by Marriott
Decatur Conference Center



Hampton
Inn & Suites

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