

100 dishes to eat in Alabama before you die.



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Lulu's, Gulf Shores

Alabama restaurant owners who champion local food sources include Frank Stitt, honored by the James Beard Awards in 2009 as one of the nation's five best chefs, and Lucy Buffett, whose "Lulu's" features brother Jimmy's "Cheeseburger in Paradise." Stitt's Highlands Bar & Grill and Bottega are nestled in Birmingham's historic Five Points South. Lulu's overlooks the Intercoastal Waterway in Gulf Shores. Discover your personal favorites in this updated edition of Alabama's most interesting places to eat.

● Silver spoons identify Alabama's longest-running restaurants. The year in which they opened is shown in silver.

Abbeville
Homemade "Molly" Fingers at **Huggin Molly's**, 334-585-7000

Albertville
Grilled chicken pizza at **The Lumpkin House**, 256-891-8900
White chicken chili at **Jessie's Cafe**, 256-894-4565

Alexander City
Blackened catfish at **Cecil's Public House**, 256-329-0732

Alexandria
"Purple Cow" & "Strawberried Alive" ice cream at **Wright Dairy**, 256-820-1020

Aliceville
Barbecue brisket at **Plantation House**, 205-373-8121

Anniston
Barbecue at **Goal Post Bar-B-Q**, 256-236-9280
"Shrimp & Grits" at **Classic on Noble**, 256-237-5388



Toomer's, Auburn

Arab
Pot roast at **3 Guys Grill**, 256-931-4897

Ashland
"Melvine's Chicken Salad" at **High Points Coffee & Books**, 256-354-2481

Athens
Cinnamon Sugar Chips at **Tortillas Blanco**, 256-230-2330
Prime Rib at **Clark's Restaurant**, 256-771-7700

Auburn
Crab cake & avocado sandwich at **Amsterdam Cafe**, 334-826-8181
● Fresh lemonade at **Toomer's Drugs** (1896), 334-887-3488
"Momma's Love" sandwich at **Momma Goldberg's**, 334-821-0185



Columbus Street Inn, Fayette

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Highlands Bar & Grill, Birmingham



Ed's Seafood Shed, Spanish Fort

Bessemer
● Broiled seafood platter & Greek cuisine at **Bright Star** (1907), 205-426-1861
BBQ at **Bob Sykes BarB-Q**, 205-426-1400

Birmingham
Buttermilk fried chicken with lemon basil sauce at **Cafe Dupont**, 205-322-1282
Cheese biscuits at **Jim 'n Nick's Bar-B-Q**, 205-320-1060
Gourmet pizza at **Cosmo's**, 205-930-9971
"Half-Moon Cookies" & marinated cole slaw at **Full Moon Bar-B-Que**, 205-324-1007
Hamburger & sweet tea at **Milo's**, 205-326-6456
Highlands baked grits at **Highlands Bar & Grill**, 205-939-1400
"Honey's Pies" at **Baby Ray's**, 205-945-7437
● Hot dog at **Pete's Famous Hot Dogs** (1915), 205-252-2905
Lobster Pot Pie at **Ocean**, 205-933-0999
● Onion rings at **Lloyd's** (1937), 205-991-5530
Neopolitan pizzas at **Bettola**, 205-731-6499
Parmesan souffle at **Bottega**, 205-939-1000
Pastries at **Chez Fonfon**, 205-939-3221
Tomato salad & pickled okra at **Hot and Hot Fish Club**, 205-933-5474
Vegetable buffet at **Niki's West**, 205-252-5751
Vine-ripe tomatoes with Parmesan flan at **Fire**, 205-802-1410



Bob Sykes BarB-Q, Bessemer

Blount Springs
BBQ with tomato sauce at **Top Hat**, 256-352-9919

Boaz
Chicken salad at **Mill Street Deli**, 256-593-7677

Brundidge
Chicken Salad Blossom at **Sit N Sip**, 334-344-6101

Camden
Black Bottom pie at **GainesRidge Dinner Club**, 334-682-9707



The Hangout, Gulf Shores

Cherokee
BBQ & "Three-n-One" sauce from **Bishop's Barbecue**, 800-368-2635

Childersburg
Fudge at **DeSoto Caverns**, 800-933-2283

Clanton
Peach ice cream at **Durbin Farms Market**, 877-818-0202
Peach pie at **Peach Park**, 205-755-2065
Pecan pie at **Heaton Farm**, 205-755-8654



Fire, Birmingham

Coden
● Soft-shell crab po-boy at **Mary's Place** (1935), 251-873-4514

Cullman
● Hot orange rolls at **All Steak** (1934), 256-734-4322

Dadeville
Catfish fingers at the **Circle A Catfish**, 256-825-5677
Gumbo at **Christopher**, 334-705-6632

Daleville
"Castle Club" sandwich at the **Castle Cafe**, 334-598-9005

Daphne
Shrimp Po-Boy at **Market By The Bay**, 251-621-9994



Big Bob Gibson, Decatur

Decatur
● BBQ chicken with white sauce & pies at **Big Bob Gibson Bar-B-Q** (1925), 256-350-6969
Green beans at **Albany Bistro**, 256-686-1667
Seafood-filled mushroom caps at **Simp McGhee's**, 256-353-6284
Taco & broccoli salad at **Curry's on Johnston Street**, 256-350-6715
Toffee at **Morgan Price Candy**, 256-306-0910

Demopolis
"Soul Food" at **Kora's Place**, 334-289-4911

Dora
BBQ with vinegar/tomato sauce at **Green Top Cafe**, 205-648-9838

Dothan
Doughnuts at **Loyless Donuts**, 334-792-3133
Fried cornbread at **Kathy's Kountry Kitchen**, 334-792-3911
Grouper fingers at the **Old Mill Restaurant**, 334-794-8530
Homemade soups at **Basketcase Cafe**, 334-671-1117

Elberta
Cheese from **Sweet Home Farm**, 251-986-5663

Enterprise
Chili dog at **Cutt's**, 334-347-1110
Grouper with pecan sauce at **The Rawls**, 334-308-9387

Eufaula
Bacon, egg & cheese sandwich at **Bread Basket**, 334-687-5567

Eutaw
● Drop biscuits & apple jelly at **Cotton Patch** (1937), 205-372-4235

Famous Chef Salad at **Mama Leone's**, 205-372-0007
"Pecan Praline French Toast" at **Oakmont Bed & Breakfast**, 205-372-2326

Fairhope
Blue Cheese Burger at **The Pub**, 251-928-2032
Big Daddy Burger at **Big Daddy's Grill**, 251-990-8555
Muffaletta at **Panini Pete's**, 251-929-0122

Royal Red Shrimp at **Old Bay Steamer**, 251-928-5714
Triple Chocolate Cake at **Sandra's Place**, 251-990-3344

Faunsdale
Crawfish pie at **Ca-John's**, 334-628-3240

Fayette
Strawberry almond Belgian waffles at **Columbus Street Inn**, 205-932-4411

Florence
Bread, herbs & olive oil at **Ricaton's**, 256-718-1002

● Orange-pineapple ice cream at **Trowbridge's** (1918), 256-764-1503
"Squash Blossoms" at **360 Grille**, 256-246-3600
Steak & Dale's seasoning at **Dale's**, 256-766-4961

Foley
Apple cheese casserole at **The Gift Horse**, 251-943-3663
Key lime milkshake at the **Stacey Old Tyme Soda Fountain**, 251-943-7191
"Thrown Rolls" at **Lambert's Cafe**, 251-943-7655

Fort Deposit
Pecan Fruit Cake & pralines at **Priester's Pecans**, 334-227-4301



Priester's, Fort Deposit

Savor the Flavor of Alabama, from Archibald's to Zack's!



Cotton Row, Huntsville

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Gadsden

Catfish & greens at **Top O the River**, 256-547-9817
 "Sweet Potato Fluff" at **Pruett's Bar-B-Q**, 256-547-4118

Goshen

Rum bread pudding at **Old Barn Restaurant**, 334-484-3200

Greenville

Hickory-smoked turkey sandwich at **Bates House of Turkey**, 334-382-6123
 Cranberry nut salad with Balsamic dressing at **Emily's Cafe**, 334-371-8646

Guin

Monster Dog & Monster burger at **Mutter's Diner**, 205-468-2027
 BBQ sandwich and banana pudding at **Jimbo's BBQ**, 205-468-2272

Gulf Shores

Cheesecake at **Hope's Cheesecake**, 251-968-5858
 "L.A. (Lower Alabama) Caviar" of black-eyed peas & "Cheeseburger in Paradise" at **Lulu's**, 251-967-5858

Peanut butter pie at the **Original Oyster House**, 251-948-2445

Royal Red Shrimp at **King Neptune's**, 251-968-5464
 Seafood platter & gumbo at **Wolf Bay Lodge**, 251-987-5129
 The Wipe Out Burger at **The Hangout**, 251-948-3030
 Farmer's omelet at **Tacky Jack's**, 251-981-4144

Guntersville

Crawfish at **Crawmamma's**, 256-582-0484
 Seafood Campoli at **Martinville Grille**, 256-582-0930
 Spinach salad at **La Strada**, 256-582-2250

Haleyville

Chicken fingers & sauce at **Guthrie's**, 205-486-9222

Hanceville

Fried cheeseburger at **Dodge City Restaurant**, 256-287-1299

Harpersville

Wine from **Morgan Creek Vineyards**, 205-672-2053

Hartselle

"Mercedes Special" skillet at **Las Vias**, 256-751-1402

Helena

Crab cakes at **Fox Valley Restaurant**, 205-664-8341

Homewood

Baby blue salad at **Franklin's Homewood Gourmet**, 205-871-1620
 "Camel Rider" sandwich & moussaka at **Nabeel's**, 205-879-9292
 Lasagna at **GianMarco's**, 205-871-9622
 Pimiento cheese on sun-dried tomato bread at **Savage's** (1939), 205-871-4901
 Ribs at **SAW's BBQ**, 205-879-1937
 Kadoma tuna roll at **Jinsei**, 205-802-1440

Hoover

Deep-dish stuffed pizza at **Tortugas**, 205-403-9800
 Hamburgers at **Harry's Place**, 205-733-9544

Huntsville

BBQ stuffed potato at **Little Paul's BBQ**, 256-536-7227
 "Big Daddy" chicken plate at **Tenders!**, 256-533-7599
 Devised eggs at **Mullins Drive In** (1929), 256-539-2826
 Coffee Rub Steak at **801 Franklin**, 256-519-8019
 Chili burger & slaw dog at **Big Spring Cafe**, 256-539-9994
 "German Brown Farmer's Bread" at **Ol' Heidelberg**, 256-922-0556
 Hot wings & habanero sauce at **Beauregard's**, 256-837-2433
 Steak at **Pauli's Bar & Grill**, 256-722-2080
 Tea & "sugar water" pitcher at **Humphrey's Bar & Grill**, 256-704-5555
 Tex-Mex cuisine at **Rosie's Cantina**, 256-382-3232
 Peanut butter & jelly in phyllo at **Cotton Row Restaurant**, 256-382-9500

Irontdale

BBQ & baked beans at **Golden Rule Bar-B-Q** (1891), 205-956-2678
 Fried green tomatoes at the **Irontdale Cafe** (1928), 205-956-5258



Irontdale Cafe, Irontdale

Jacksonville

Ribs at **Cooter Brown's**, 256-435-1514

Jasper

Catfish Pontchartrain at **Black Rock Bistro**, 205-387-0282

Lavaca

Catfish & cole slaw at **Ezell's Fish Camp** (1937), 205-654-2205

Lineville

Catfish at **Red's**, 256-354-7705

Madison

Catfish & hush puppies at **Greenbrier**, 256-351-1800

Magnolia Springs

Whiskey steak at **Jesse's**, 251-965-3827

Marion

Hamburgers at **J&R's**, 334-683-4200

Mentone

Black-eye pea cake & trout at **Mentone Springs Hotel**, 256-634-4040

Chili Corn Pone at the **Log Cabin Restaurant & Deli**, 256-634-4560

"Decadent French Toast" at **Mountain Laurel Inn**, 256-634-4673

Mobile

Alabama shrimp & grits at **The Blind Mule**, 251-694-6853
 Bacon cheeseburger at **Callaghan's Irish Social Club**, 251-433-9374
 Butterbean cake at **The Pillars**, 251-471-3411
 Candied pecans at **Tanner Pecans & Candies**, 251-473-4560
 Chocolates at **Three George's** (1917), 251-433-6725
 Caramelized Day Boat Scallops with wild mushroom risotto, Swiss Chard and white truffle oil at **The Battle House Hotel** 251-338-2000



Dreamland, Tuscaloosa

Coconut cream pie at **Tiny Diny**, 251-473-9453
 Eggs Cathedral & Banana Foster's French toast at **Spot of Tea**, 251-433-9009
 Ginger donut at **NoJa**, 251-433-0377
 Praline Dobash Cake at **Pollman's Bakery** (1918), 251-438-1511
 Oysters "fried, stewed or nude" at **Wintzell's** (1938), 251-432-4605
 "Pecan Praline French Toast" at **Kate Shepard House Bed & Breakfast**, 251-479-7048
 Ribs at **Saucy Q Bar B Q**, 251-433-7427
 Seafood and sausage gumbo at **Oysterella's**, 251-621-8881
 Smoked BBQ at **The Brick Pit**, 251-343-0001

Monroeville

Catfish & cheese grits at **David's Catfish House**, 251-575-3460
 BLT Supreme at **Radley's Fountain Grill**, 251-743-2345

Montgomery

Pecan pan-fried snapper at **Chophouse**, 334-264-8463
 Pecan Pie with Jack Daniels Ice Cream at **Garrett's**, 334-396-9950
 Fresca salad with house dressing at **Sinclair's**, 334-834-7462
 Fried chicken at **Martin's**, 334-265-1767
 Fried green tomato sandwich at **La Jolla**, 334-356-2600
 Lemon catfish & collards at **Isaiah's**, 334-265-9000
 Oyster salad at **City Grill**, 334-244-0960
 Spring roll with peanut sauce at **Lek's Taste of Thailand**, 334-244-8994
 Vegetables at **Martha's Place**, 334-263-9135
 Veggies on the hot bar at **Derk's Filet & Vine**, 334-262-8463
 "Wild Rice Waffles" & "Walk-Thru-Fire Pancakes" at **Red Bluff Cottage B&B**, 334-264-0056

Moundville

Lane Cake at **Miss Melissa's Cafe**, 205-371-9045

Mountain Brook

Chocolate lava cake at **daniel george**, 205-871-3266
 Fresh-squeezed limeade at **Gilchrist Drug** (1928), 205-871-2181

Muscle Shoals

Fried green tomatoes at **Campbell's**, 256-389-8952

Northport

Barbecued ribs at **Archibald's**, 205-345-6861
 "Meat & three" at **City Cafe**, 205-758-9171

Opelika

Barbecue pork sandwich at **Chuck's**, 334-749-4043
 Crab & Corn Bisque at **Warehouse Bistro**, 334-745-6353



Derk's, Montgomery

Perdido

"Rose Cou Rouge" (redneck rose) wine at **Perdido Vineyards**, 251-937-9463

Phenix City

Pork chop sandwich & mustard sauce at **13th Street Barbecue**, 334-291-1833

Pine Level

Apple cheese casserole at **Red's Little Schoolhouse**, 334-584-7955

Point Clear

Signature Lump Crab Scramble at the **Grand Hotel Marriott Resort** (1847), 251-928-9201
 Divinity & pecan butter crunch at **Punta Clara Kitchen**, 251-928-8477
 Key lime bread pudding at **The Wash House**, 251-928-4838

Prattville

Home cooking at the **Jim's Restaurant**, 334-365-7231

Rainsville

Catfish and chicken fingers at **Katy'd Katfish**, 256-638-7200

Riverside

Shrimp & catfish at **The Ark**, 205-338-7420

Rogersville

Homemade chicken salad at **Cafe Savanna**, 256-247-9788

Russellville

Caramel cake at **Daily Bread**, 256-332-9621

Scottsboro

Catfish at **Mud Creek Fishing Camp**, 256-259-2493
 Chicken salad at **Cups Cafe**, 256-259-1525
 Hot dog & red slaw at **Payne's** (1891), 256-574-2140

Shrimp & grits at **The Docks at Goose Pond Colony**, 256-574-3071

Blue Willow sampler at **Blue Willow Bistro**, 256-259-3462

Pulled pork at **Triple R BBQ**, 256-574-5629
 Strawberry salad at **The Veranda Cafe**, 256-259-3855
 Tomato pie at **Carlile's**, 256-574-5629

Selma

Chicken breast sandwich at **Major Grumbles**, 334-872-2006
 New York strip at the **Tally-Ho**, 334-872-1390
 Peach cobbler at **Downtownner**, 334-875-5933

Sheffield

Ribeye at **George's Steak Pit**, 256-381-1531

Slocomb

Cornbread & fried green tomatoes at **Zack's**, 334-886-9731

Spanish Fort

Crab soup at **Felix's Fish Camp**, 251-626-6710
 Gumbo & crab claws at **Blue Gill Restaurant**, 251-625-1998
 Seafood at **The Original Oyster House**, 251-626-2188
 "Yo Mama's Platter" at **Ed's Seafood Shed**, 251-625-1947

Stockton

Catfish at **Stage Coach Cafe**, 251-580-0608

Sylacauga

Spinach mushroom quesadilla at **Marble City Grill**, 256-245-8108

Talladega

Grilled catfish at **Fincher's**, 256-362-2174
 Muscadine wine at **Bryant Vineyards**, 256-268-2638

Theodore

Country cooking at **Time to Eat**, 251-654-0228

Thomaston

Pepper jelly omelet and black belt eggs benedict at **Mama Nem's**, 334-627-3388

Trinity

White cream corn at **Caddo Cafeteria**, 256-974-5535

Troy

Banana pudding at **Sisters**, 334-566-0064
 Beans & cornbread at **Mossy Grove Schoolhouse**, 334-566-4921
 Chicken fingers & dipping sauce at **Crowe's**, 334-566-6027

Tuscaloosa

Crab cakes at **Evangeline's**, 205-752-0830
 Fried chicken at **Maggie's Diner**, 205-366-0302
 Smoke Chicken with white BBQ sauce at **Cypress Inn**, 205-345-6963
 Ribs & white bread at **Dreamland**, 205-758-8135
 Stuffed mushrooms at **Kozy's**, 205-556-0665
 Wings at **Bob Baumhower's Wings Sports Grille**, 205-556-5658

Tuskegee

Footlongs and burgers at **TJ's Bar & Grill**, 334-226-1195
 Yams at the **Kellog Center Restaurant**, 334-226-1195

Tuscumbia

"Harvey" milkshake at **The Palace**, 256-386-8210

Union Springs

Smoked meat & homemade stew at the **Hilltop Grill**, 334-738-3000

Vestavia Hills

Black Forest Cake at **Klingler's**, 205-823-4560
 Shrimp Etouffee at **New Orleans Food & Spirits**, 205-823-4560
 Sandwiches on wheat roll with BBQ sauce at **Mr. P's Butcher Shop & Deli**, 205-823-6136



Wintzell's, Mobile

Waverly

Seasonal gourmet ice cream at **Yellow Hammer**, 334-887-5800

Wetumpka

Crab cakes & dill sauce at **Our Place Cafe**, 334-567-8778

Valley

Homemade soups at **559 Market Place**, 334-756-4959

Vestavia Hills

Black Forest Cake at **Klingler's**, 205-823-4560

York

Baked Turkey Wings at **Larkin's Deli**, 205-932-9988



Carlile's, Scottsboro



Sweet Tea



Tanner's, Mobile



Yellow Hammer, Waverly

Call ahead to see if a dish is served daily or only at certain times. Dishes shown were suggested by tourism professionals in Alabama. Franchised restaurants, where shown, originated in the city listed.