

CHATTANOOGA INSIDER GUIDE

Welcome to Chattanooga! These links can help you explore the Scenic City during your rotation. You can find more info (including an events calendar) at VisitChattanooga.

WHERE TO EAT & DRINK...

ASIAN:

- Attack of the Tatsu (downtown)
- Kai Bistro (Southside)

- Shangri-La (downtown) affordable Chinese
- Two Ten Jack (Southside) great ramen

BBQ:

- Barque BBQ (Main St.)
- Chatt Smoke House (downtown/MLK) huge portions
- Sticky Fingers (downtown)
- Sugar's Ribs (Missionary Ridge)

BREWERIES:

- Chattanooga Brewing Co. (downtown)
- Five Wits Brewing (Southside)
- Mad Knight Brewing (St. Elmo)
- OddStory Brewing (Southside)
- The Taphouse (St. Elmo)
- WanderLinger (Southside)

BREAKFAST/BRUNCH:

- Aretha Frankenstein's (North Shore) worth the long wait on weekends; go early & get the pancakes!
- Bluegrass Grill (Southside) family-style seating; amazing food
- The Daily Ration (North Shore)
- Frothy Monkey (Southside)
- Niedlov's (Southside) bakery w/great lunch menu (also Friday night pizza); has a cool outdoor patio

BURGERS:

- Hoppy's North River Corner Market a tiny shop with a killer burger & also great breakfast biscuits!
- Main Street Meats (Southside) full-service butcher & restaurant
- Tremont Tavern (North Shore) voted Chattanooga's best burger

COFFEE SHOPS:

- BeCaffeinated (multiple locations)
- Mean Mug (Southside & North Shore) good food; great place to study
- Rembrandt's (Art District) the outdoor courtyard is a relaxing study spot
- Sleepyhead Coffee (downtown) super chill vibe; lots of vegan options (& plants!)
- <u>Velo Coffee Roasters</u> (Southside) coffee shop & espresso bar

DELI:

River Street Deli (North Shore) - Chattanooga's best deli since 1998; legit NY-style deli

FRIED CHICKEN:

<u>Champy's</u> (downtown, East Ridge, Lee Hwy)



ICE CREAM:

- <u>Clumpies</u> (North Shore, Southside & St. Elmo) inventive flavor combos!
- Milk & Honey (North Shore) best gelato in town; also has fantastic breakfast food
- The Ice Cream Show (Art District)
- Scoop Around Ice Cream Bar (Southside)

INDIAN:

• Sitar Indian Cuisine (downtown)

ITALIAN:

- Giardino (Missionary Ridge) \$\$
- II Primo (North Shore & Ooltewah) \$\$
- Provino's (E. Ridge) endless salad & rolls!
- Tony's Pasta (downtown/Art District)

KOREAN:

• <u>Han-Mi</u> (Southside)

LATE NITE:

- City Café Diner (downtown & Lee Hwy.) 24-hour diner; huge portions/great prices!
- Pickle Barrel (downtown) bar w/a full menu & rooftop patio; affordable food & open until 3AM

MEXICAN:

- Amigo (multiple locations in Chattanooga)
- La Alteña Taqueria (Southside) affordable & filling!
- Mexiville (downtown & North Shore) tasty & affordable, esp. the lunch combos

MEDITERRANEAN/MIDDLE EASTERN:

- Acropolis (Hamilton Place Mall)
- Ankar's Hoagies (Hwy. 58) one of Chattanooga's oldest family-owned restaurants
- The Hummus Bowl (St. Elmo/Southside)
- University Pizza & Deli (UTC campus) not just pizza; great Mediterranean food; affordable & filling

PIZZA:

- <u>Community Pie</u> (downtown)
- Crust Pizza (Southside, Red Bank) known for their cracker-thin crust
- Honey Seed wood-fired pizza; also known for their Montreal-style bagels
- <u>Lupi's Pizza</u> (downtown, Hixson, Ooltewah) try the football-sized calzone!
- <u>Southside Pizza</u> (Southside)

SEAFOOD:

- Boathouse Rotisserie & Raw Bar (Riverside)
- Scottie's on the River (downtown)

SOUTHERN/HOME COOKING:

• Bea's Restaurant - an all-you-can-eat Chattanooga institution since 1950; each table is a buffet!

SUSHI:

• Sushi Nabe (North Shore)

Totto Sushi (North Shore)

TACOS:

- Taco Mamacita (North Shore & Hamilton Place Mall)
- <u>TacoNooga</u> (North Shore)
- <u>Taqueria Jalisco</u> (Southside)
- Taqueria La Antigua Guatemala (Main St.)
- White Duck Taco (Highland Park)

THAI:

- Rain Thai Bistro Express (Southside)
- <u>Sawasdee</u> (St. Elmo) hidden gem!
- Thai Esan (East Ridge) sooo good!
- Yummy Thai (North Shore) \$\$ but excellent

VEGETARIAN/VEGAN:

- <u>Cashew</u> (North Shore) vegan
- Sluggo's Vegetarian Café (North Shore) vegetarian w/vegan options



WHERE TO PLAY...

ARTS/CREATIVITY & ENRICHMENT:

- The Chattery offers variety of instruction from arts & cooking to coding, dancing & yoga
- Chattanooga Library offers free use & rentals of equipment & tools (including 3D printers!)

BIKING:

Outdoor Chattanooga - resources for bike rentals, trails, local cycling clubs & more

CLIMBING GYMS:

- High Point Climbing students get 20% off after 4pm on Fridays
- Synergy Climbing & Ninja (Main St.)

DISC GOLF:

- The Corbettas at Enterprise South public disc golf course
- The Sinks public disc golf course

HIKING:

Chattanooga hiking trails - links via AllTrails.com

KARAOKE:

- Sing It or Wing It
- Southside Social restaurant also has indoor bowling, an outdoor fire pit & lots of other games

LIVE MUSIC:

- Barrelhouse Ballroom
- Nightfall summer concert series free live music every Friday night @ Miller Plaza downtown
- The Signal major touring artists perform here; located on the Chattanooga Choo Choo campus
- Tivoli Theatre operates 3 music venues in downtown Chattanooga

PARKS:

- Camp Jordan (East Ridge)
- Chester Frost Park (Hixson) on Chickamauga Lake
- Cloudland Canyon (Lookout Mtn, GA) 60 miles of trails!
- Coolidge Park (North Shore) carousel rides are only \$1
- Harrison Bay State Park (Harrison) on Chickamauga Lake
- Miller Park (downtown) has live music & free movie nights
- North Chickamauga Creek Gorge State Park (Soddy Daisy)
- Point Park (Lookout Mountain) great scenic photo spots
- Renaissance Park (North Shore) where everyone goes sledding year-round on "Cardboard Hill"
- Tennessee Riverpark 16.1 miles of cycling/walking trails from Chattanooga State to St. Elmo

PADDLEBOARD & KAYAKING:

• <u>L2 Outside</u> - outdoor gear rentals

PICKLEBALL:

Chattanooga Pickleball Leagues

SPORTS:

- Chattanooga FC (MLS)
- Chattanooga Lookouts (MLB)
- Chattanooga Red Wolves (MLS)
- Chattanooga Roller Derby

SWIMMING:

Swimming holes/waterfalls - North Chick Blue Hole, Foster Falls & Big Soddy Creek Gulf





TOURISM ATTRACTIONS:

- Bessie Smith Cultural Center
- Bluff View Art District several museums + sculpture gardens
- Chattanooga Choo Choo
- Chattanooga Ducks boat tour
- Chattanooga Zoo
- Classic Arcade Pinball Museum play vintage arcade games
- Hunter Museum of Art
- Incline Railway train ride up to Lookout Mountain; great views
- Lake Winnepesaukah amusement park in business since 1925
- Naughty Cat Café Chattanooga's only cat café; visitors can chill w/30+ adoptable cats + free drink
- Reflection Riding Arboretum & Nature Center 300 acres of nature only 10mins from downtown
- Rock City Chattanooga's #1 tourist attraction since 1932; great scenic views from Lookout Mtn.
- Tennessee Aquarium
- Tennessee Riverwalk

WHITEWATER RAFTING:

Ocoee river rafting – multiple outfitters offer trips on the Ocoee River (about an hour from Chattanooga)

YOGA:

- Southern Soul Yoga (St. Elmo)
- Yoga Landing (Southside)



WHERE TO SHOP...

- The Book & Cover Chattanooga's best indie bookstore
- Chattanooga Market Sunday farmer's market w/live music & food trucks; also a smaller version on Wednesdays in Erlanger Medical Mall & Saturdays at the Aquarium
- The Gear Closet great deals on used outdoor gear, esp. refurbished Bonnaroo camping supplies!
- Main Street Farmers Market local vendors every Wednesday 4-6pm @ Finley Stadium
- McKay's Chattanooga's best place to buy/sell/trade used books, movies, music & games
- Nooga Paws North Shore pet store & custom bakery
- Yellow Racket Records excellent source for new & used vinyl; frequently hosts listening parties
- Winder Binder Mercantile North Shore shop w/Chattanooga-themed gifts; also sells books & music

HOW TO GET AROUND...

- Bike Chattanooga (bike & scooter rentals)
- CARTA free electric shuttle runs every 10 minutes daily from the Aquarium to the Southside



