

## Guide to Selected Nashville Restaurants

Nashville is growing rapidly, and the range of restaurant options is expanding accordingly. The list below is not complete, but it does oversample the downtown area. Restaurants are grouped by neighborhood. Distances are expressed relative to the Sheraton Hotel. We list a few music venues at the end.

Walking around after dark in the downtown area is generally safe, but as in any city you should be alert to your surroundings and probably should not walk alone. In the areas around Broadway and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, you are likely to encounter intoxicated tourists (or locals for that matter). Aggressive panhandlers are not uncommon. We recommend against walking from the downtown area to Germantown or East Nashville at night, even though both are relatively close to downtown and have great restaurants.

Licensed cabs are prohibited from cruising to pick up customers. Uber is active in the city.

### Downtown

#### *400 Degrees Hot Chicken*

<http://www.400degreeshotchicken.com/>

Nashville-style hot chicken. Start off easy, they call it hot chicken for a reason.

Yelp: 4.0 stars

319 Peabody Street

0.9 miles

#### *Arnold's*

<http://www.arnoldscountrykitchen.com/>

A classic "meat and 3." Cafeteria style southern and soul food. Open weekdays, lunch only.

Google: 4.4 stars

605 8th Avenue South

1 mile

#### *The Arcade*

<http://www.nashvilledowntown.com/go/the-arcade>

The Arcade includes a number of eateries on the ground floor. Mostly catering to an on-the-go lunch crowd or random hungry people wandering around downtown Nashville. You can enter the arcade from either 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, between Union and Church.

0.2 miles

#### *Bakersfield Tacos*

<http://www.bakersfieldtacos.com/>

Mexican street food (in a restaurant in Nashville, TN). Highlights include the short rib tacos and pollo rojo.

Yelp: 4.5 stars

201 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. South

0.8 miles

*Bobby's Dairy Dip*

<http://bobbiesdairydipnashville.com/>

Burgers, milk shakes etc. Not open on Saturday or Sunday. Closes mid-afternoon other days (2.45 on M-Thurs.; 3.45 on Friday).

Yelp: 4 stars

223 4th Ave N

0.3 miles

*Bella Nashville Pizzeria*

[http://nashvillefarmersmarket.org/merchants/market\\_house\\_profile/bella\\_nashville](http://nashvillefarmersmarket.org/merchants/market_house_profile/bella_nashville)

Wood-fired pizza at the Nashville Farmers' Market. Lunch only (11 to 3).

Yelp: 4.5 stars

Farmers' Market is at 900 Rosa Parks Blvd.

0.6 miles

*Cafe Lula*

<http://www.cafelula.net/>

New café located inside the historic Ryman Auditorium. They have sandwiches, salads, a few breakfast items and coffee. Nice open space. Few reviews, since it's relatively new.

Ryman Auditorium is at 116 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

0.4 miles

*Chauhan Ale and Masala House*

<http://chauhannashville.com/>

Indian cuisine with southern influence and cocktails. Housed in a refurbished brick garage.

Ambience is cool. Friendly staff. Good chicken tikka masala.

Google: 3.9 stars

123 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

0.8 miles

*Crema (Coffee Shop)*

<http://www.crema-coffee.com>

Artisanal coffee shop that also serves pastries and snacks. Highlights include the outdoor deck with great downtown view.

Google: 4.6 stars

15 Hermitage Ave.

1.2 miles

*Capitol Grille*

<http://www.capitolgrillenashville.com/>

Upscale restaurant located inside of The Hermitage Hotel. Visit the Oak Bar downstairs for great drinks and appetizers.

Google: 4.2 stars

231 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

500 feet

*DeSano Pizza Bakery*

<http://www.desanopizza.it.com/>

Located in Midtown, but close to downtown. Great brick-oven pizza. Picnic table seating, perfect for a casual dinner or lunch.

Google: 4.5 stars

115 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

1.2 miles

*Etch*

<http://www.etchrestaurant.com/>

Eclectic upscale dining. One of Nashville's best.

Located across from Schermerhorn Symphony Hall.

Google: 4.6 stars

303 Demonbreun St.

0.8 miles

*Flyte*

<http://www.flytenashville.com/>

Good happy hour

Google: 4 stars

718 Division St.

1.2 miles

*The Farm House*

<http://www.thefarmhousetn.com/>

Local farms provide the meat and produce.

Features southern classics, such as pimento cheese and cornbread.

Google: 3.7 stars

210 Almond St.

0.8 miles

*Frothy Monkey*

<http://www.frothymonkey.com/>

Popular coffee shop. Multiple locations in Nashville.

Serves breakfast and dinner options, albeit limited selection.

Google: 4.5 stars

235 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

0.2 miles

*Husk*

<http://www.husknashville.com/>

Historic mansion converted into an upscale restaurant.

Southern theme.

Google: 3.8 stars

37 Rutledge Street

1.3 miles

*Jackalope Brewery*

<http://jackalopebrew.com/>

Good beer.

Google: 4.6 stars

701 8th Ave S.

1 mile

*Koto*

<https://plus.google.com/118104597679578461602/about?gl=us&hl=en>

Classic sushi restaurant. Service is great, as are the prices.

Google: 4.1 stars

421 Union Street

0.2 miles

*Merchants*

<http://www.merchantsrestaurant.com/>

Southern. Conveniently located on Broadway, near the honkey tonks. Upstairs and downstairs seating options. For food, nicer than most places on Broadway.

Yelp: 4.0 stars

401 Broadway

0.5 miles

*Oscar's Taco Shop*

<http://www.oscarstacoshop.com/>

California-style Mexican favorites. Wide variety, large portions.

Google: 4.1 stars

530 Church Street

0.2 miles

*Provence Café*

<http://www.provencebreads.com/>

Inside/adjacent to the Nashville Public Library. Sandwiches, salads, and pastries.

Take your food to go and eat in the Library's beautiful courtyard.

Google: 4.2 stars

601 Church Street

0.1 miles

*Pinewood Social*

<http://www.pinewoodsocial.com/>

Trendy hangout offers food, drinks (Crema coffee, too), and bowling.

Google: 4.2 stars

33 Peabody Street

1.3 miles

*Puckett's*

<http://www.puckettsgrocery.com/>

Southern bar and grill. Casual. Sort of like an upscale Cracker Barrel.

Large stage for music acts.

Google: 4.2 stars

500 Church Street

0.2 miles

*Pub5*

<http://www.pub5.com/>

Features sandwiches, burgers, tacos, salads.

Yelp: 3.5 stars

104 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

0.5 miles

*Solo Mio*

<http://www.solemionashville.com/>

Northern Italian cuisine. On-line reviews are mixed but people I know have been happy with their food.

Google: 3.9 stars

311 3rd Ave S

1.0 mile

*The Southern Steak and Oyster*

<http://www.thesouthernashville.com/>

Highlights from the dinner menu include the fish tacos and chicken fried chicken.

Oyster bar is unique to The Southern.

Google: 4.0 stars

150 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. South

0.8 miles

*Tennessee Brew Works*

[www.tnbrew.com](http://www.tnbrew.com)

Beers are brewed on-site. Patio with outdoor seating and live music.

Google: 4.9 stars

809 Ewing Ave.

1.1 miles

## Germantown

### *312 Pizza*

[www.312pizzaco.com](http://www.312pizzaco.com)

Pan-style pizzas and draft beer. Housed in an airy space with rustic wood bar. Highlights include the cheese curds and deep dish pizza (hence 312).

Google: 3.9 stars

371 Monroe Street

1.2 miles

### *City House*

<http://cityhousenashville.com>

Italian with southern ingredients (charcuterie, local meat and produce).

Google: 4.2 stars

1222 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

1.1 miles

### *Nashville Farmers' Market*

[http://nashvillefarmersmarket.org/merchants/market\\_house](http://nashvillefarmersmarket.org/merchants/market_house)

Lots of good LUNCH food options in food court. Jamaicaway and Sloco get special mention.

Google: 4 stars

900 Rosa L Parks Blvd (8<sup>th</sup> Ave becomes Rosa Parks N of Broadway)

0.6 miles

### *Germantown Cafe*

<http://www.germantowncafe.com/>

Southern bistro. Comfortable, creative and American fare.

Google: 4.1 stars

1200 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

1.0 miles

### *Mad Platter*

[www.madplatternashville.com/](http://www.madplatternashville.com/)

*Locally sourced, eclectic fare. Housed in a 100+ year-old building. It's been in business longer than the others in Germantown.*

Google: 4.1 stars

1239 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.

1.2 miles

### *Rolf and Daughters*

<http://www.rolfanddaughters.com/>

American food, creative. One of Nashville's best. Chic décor, wood accents, and red brick.

Yelp: 4.5 stars

700 Taylor Street

1.3 miles

*Silo*

<http://www.silotn.com/>

Upscale Southern fare.

Google: 4.3 stars

1121 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

1.0 miles

## The Gulch

*Biscuit Love*

<http://www.biscuitlovebrunch.com/>

Originally, a popular food truck. They serve breakfast & lunch (not just biscuits).

Google: 4.8 stars

316 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

1.1 miles

*Thai Esane*

[www.thaiesane.com](http://www.thaiesane.com)

Traditional Thai dishes.

Yelp: 4.0 stars

907 12th Ave. South

1.5 miles

*Turnip Truck*

[www.theturniptruck.com](http://www.theturniptruck.com)

Healthy grocery store with great salad and dinner bar.

Google: 4.5 stars

321 12th Ave. S.

1.0 miles

*Watermark*

<http://www.watermark-restaurant.com/>

Has been one of Nashville's finest restaurants for several years. Elegant space indoors and also an outdoor seating area.

Google: 4.1 stars

507 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

1.1 miles

*Yazoo Brewing Company*

[www.yazoobrew.com](http://www.yazoobrew.com)

Brewery and taproom. They offer tours (see website for details).

Google: 4.3 stars

910 Division Street

1.3 miles

## East Nashville

### *Amot Eatery*

<http://amoteatery.com>

Gluten free, local produce

4.3 stars

1100 Fatherland Street

2.6 miles

### *Barista Parlor*

<http://www.baristaparlor.com/>

Hip coffee house with an industrial feel (used to be a garage). Artisan coffee and espresso, with a few small bites. Cool art and design.

Google: 4.2 stars

519 Gallatin Ave.

2.5 miles

### *Little Octopus*

<http://littleoctopusnashville.com/>

“Wholesome, clean, and fresh food.” Lots of vegetarian dishes. Across the street from Barista Parlor.

Yelp: 4.5

604 Gallatin Ave

2.5 miles

### *Marche Artisan Foods*

<http://www.marcheartisanfoods.com/>

Casual but excellent restaurant. Sister restaurant to Margot (above). Features local ingredients. Great breakfast and lunch spot in East Nashville.

Google: 4.4 stars

1000 Main St.

2.1 miles

### *Margot Café*

<http://www.margotcafe.com/http://www.margotcafe.com/>

Comfortable bistro, featuring a menu that includes rotation of seasonal ingredients. French and Italian fare. Has been one of Nashville’s best for a long time.

Google: 4.5 stars

1017 Woodland Street

2.1 miles



*Silly Goose*

<http://sillygoosenashville.com>

American, local produce, exquisite lemonades

4.4 stars

1888 Eastland Ave.

3.3 miles

*Thai Phooket*

No website listed.

No-frills Thai restaurant.

Google: 4.3 stars

207 Woodland Street

0.9 miles

*Treehouse*

<http://www.treehousenashville.com/>

Rustic eatery and bar if you want to eat really late (closes at 1a.m.)

Google: 3.7

1011 Clearview Ave

2.3 miles

*Two Ten Jack*

<http://twotenjack.com>

Japanese inspired w/ local ingredients, authentic ramen

4.3 stars

1900 Eastland Ave.

3.3 miles

Vanderbilt/West End/Midtown

*Catbird Seat*

<http://www.thecatbirdseatrestaurant.com/>

A foodie experience. Chef's tasting menu prepared/served in an open kitchen. Reservations are a challenge (see the website for instructions).

Google: 4.3 stars

1711 Division St.

1.3 miles

*Hattie B's Hot Chicken*

<http://www.hattieb.com>

Hot chicken. It's good. Don't hurt yourself.

Google: 4.5 stars

112 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

1.4 miles

*Hog Heaven*

<http://www.hogheavenbbq.com/>

For something different, consider the smoked pulled-chicken BBQ with their heavenly white sauce (hence the name...). It's an easy place to miss and not at all fancy. Outdoor eating only at picnic tables. Next to the McDonald's on West End near Centennial Park.

Google: 3.9 stars

115 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. North

2.4 miles

*Tin Angel*

<http://www.tinangel.net/>

American fare. One of Nashville's more established and friendly restaurants. Good place for fried green tomatoes if you haven't had them before.

Google: 4.1 stars.

3201 West End Ave.

2.7 miles

*Rotier's*

<http://www.rotiersrestaurant.com/>

Old fashioned bar and grill that serves up great cheeseburgers and milkshakes.

One of Nashville's originals, opened in 1945.

Google: 4.1 stars

2413 Elliston Place

1.9 miles

*Mason's*

<http://www.masons-nashville.com/>

Located in Loew's Vanderbilt Hotel on West End Ave., across from Vanderbilt campus.

Southern cuisine in a dark-hued setting with lots and lots of Mason jars.

Yelp: 4.0 stars

2100 West End Ave.

1.7 miles

12 South

*Epice*

<http://www.epicenashville.com/>

Charming Lebanese bistro in 12 South. Welcoming staff. Spiced fish is good.

Yelp: 4.5 stars

2902 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

3.5 miles

*Burger Up*

<http://www.burger-up.com/>

Upscale for a burger joint, but casual. Family-style tables. Lines can be long. Grass-fed local beef. Get popsicles afterwards at Las Paletas (nearby, same side of street).

Google: 4.1 stars

2901 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

3.5 miles

*Edley's*

<http://edleysbbq.com/>

Southern BBQ located on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. Draws a good crowd on weekends.

There is a second location in East Nashville.

Yelp: 4.0 stars.

2706 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

3.4 miles

*Josephine*

[www.josephineon12th.com](http://www.josephineon12th.com)

"Refined American farmhouse cuisine." Upscale.

Yelp: 4.0 stars

2316 12th Ave. S.

3.1 miles.

Green Hills

*Firefly Grille*

<http://www.fireflygrillenashville.com/>

American fare made with seasonal ingredients. Eclectic, intimate. Coconut cake.

Google: 4.1 stars

2201 Bandywood Drive

5.0 miles

8th Ave/Berry Hill

*Baja Burrito*

<http://www.bajaburrito.com/>

Mexican tacos in a casual environment with an outdoor deck.

Friendly staff. A local favorite.

Google: 4.7 stars

722 Thompson Lane

5.1 miles

*Sunflower Cafe*

<http://www.sunflowercafenashville.com/>

Homemade locally sourced vegetarian dishes in a comfortable setting. Highlights include the vegan crab-cakes and tofu ginger bowl w/ kale. Yummy.

Google: 4.6 stars

2834 Azalea Place

4.6 miles

*The Yellow Porch*

<http://www.theyellowporch.com/>

American bistro in expanding Berry Hill neighborhood. Casual environment.

Google: 3.9 stars

734 Thompson Lane

4.6 miles

*The Smiling Elephant*

<http://www.thesmilingelephant.com/>

Tiny restaurant with big flavors. A local favorite. Lines can be long at peak times due to limited seating. Thai specialties, including gluten-free options.

Google: 4.4 stars

2213 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

2.6 miles

Sylvan Park

*Avo*

<http://www.eatavo.com><http://www.eatavo.com>

It's brand new. Healthy gluten-free and vegetarian-free fare. Good reviews so far.

Yelp: 4.5 stars

3001 Charlotte Ave. in OneCITY

2.4 miles

*Local Taco*

<http://www.thelocaltaco.com/>

Taco joint with an outdoor patio. Highlights include the Cuban corn, fish tacos, and southern fried chicken tacos.

Google: 4.4 stars

4501 Murphy Road (there's also a location in E. Nashville, 2.6 miles)

4.2 miles

## Music Venues:

There are plenty of places to see live music in Nashville. Here are just a few of them:

### *Robert's Western World*

<http://www.robertswesternworld.com/>

Honkey Tonk, plays old country music. Downtown on Broadway.

Pabst Blue Ribbon is the drink of choice.

Google: 4.6 stars

416 Broadway

0.5 miles

### *Tootsie's*

<http://www.tootsies.net/>

Honkey Tonk, old and newer country music. Downtown on Broadway. It's recently expanded, and there are a few stages for music. It can get a little loud and drunk-ish.

Google: 4.0 stars

422 Broadway

0.5 miles

### *Station Inn*

<http://www.stationinn.com/>

Located in The Gulch neighborhood. One of the best bluegrass venues anywhere. Picnic tables and pitchers of beer. Check the website to see who's playing and what the cover is.

Google: 4.5 stars

402 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. South

1.1 miles

### *Bluebird Cafe*

<http://www.bluebirdcafe.com/>

Located in a strip mall in the Green Hills neighborhood. Due to the popularity of the Nashville TV show, where a fake Bluebird is often featured, it is now difficult to get in for a show. Reservations are recommended. Features songwriters. You're expected to listen to the music, not talk. Shhhhhh.

Google: 4.0 stars

4104 Hillsboro Pike

5.0 miles