



Asheville: Guest Recommendations

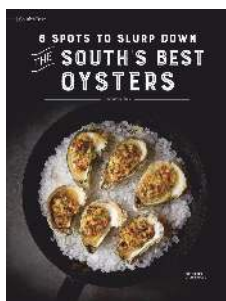
Restaurants: This low-key mountain town has become a serious food destination. Here are our picks for the best restaurants:

Cúrate: Spanish tapas concept that charms crowds with its friendly, yet refined, historic downtown space with shareable classics like jamon Iberico, Galician-style octopus, and goat cheese-stuffed piquillo peppers.



Ukiah Japanese Smokehouse: Located just a few steps from the Orange Peel music venue downtown, Ukiah's warm space and Japanese-izakaya-meets-American-barbecue theme make it the ideal spot for a pre-concert dinner with friends.

Cultura: James Beard Best New Restaurant nod in 2020. The seven-course tasting menu features dishes like koji-cured trigger fish and duck leg with pink peppercorn gnocchi, and on Sundays, the playful Cease & Desist dinner series serves the chef's imaginative takes on popular chain restaurant menus.



Jettie Rae's Oyster House: There is an extensive raw bar, daily ceviche selections, and caviar service. Also, entrees with influences ranging from Spain to Maine to the South Carolina Lowcountry. You can try octopus a la planxa, oysters bienville, or Gullah inspired crab rice or skip the seafood altogether and go for a steak or the legit double cheeseburger.



Other delicious options: **Cucina 24** (Italian), **Chai Pani** (Indian street food), **Baby Bull** (Burgers), **Leo's House of Thirst** (outstanding wine selection and shareable, snackish bites food style), **Taquería Muñoz** (Mexican), **Sunny Point Café** (Breakfast, Bakery, Coffee shop), **12 Bones Smokehouse** (Barbecue)



Great Hikes:

Challenging: **Dismal Falls**- Panthertown Valley

Moderate: **Graveyard Fields Trail**- Blue Ridge Parkway

Easier: **Rumbling Bald Loop** at Chimney Rock State Park

We recommend you bring extra water.

Other Fun Activities:



Lake Lure: Enjoy the beach, a town center walkway, and boat tours at this lake town.

Nantahala Outdoor Center: Go for whitewater rafting trips on the French Broad River just outside of Asheville.

Adventure Center of Asheville: Outdoor family fun and adventure for children and teens!

Asheville Salt Cave & Spa: Experience a unique oasis in Asheville, a salt-enriched microclimate that allows the body and mind to gain relaxation and balance.

Tryon Foothills Wine Country: Visit five wineries in the prime isothermal wine growing area in the beautiful foothills near Columbus and Tryon: Parker-Binns Vineyard, Overmountain Vineyards, Russian Chapel Hills Winery, Mountain Brook Vineyard and Green Creek Winery.

Harrah's Cherokee Casino: Play a huge variety of games and 3,800+ slots, along with live action tables for Blackjack, Craps, Roulette and more.

Asheville Art Museum: Explore an outstanding collection of American art of the 20th and 21st centuries and discover the richness of Western North Carolina's unique artistic history at the Asheville Art Museum.

Breakout Games - Asheville: Challenge yourself with escape rooms.

Asheville Museum of Science: Engage in interactive science exhibits.





Public Transportation

Asheville, NC, offers a variety of public transportation options to help residents and visitors navigate the city and its surroundings. Here are some of the public transportation services available in Asheville:

Asheville Rides Transit (ART)

Bus Service: ART operates 17 bus routes, providing service from 5:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Monday through Saturday, and from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sundays and holidays.

Fare: The standard fare is \$1.

Main Station: The main and only station is located at 49 Coxe Avenue, Asheville, NC 2880.

Greyhound and Trailways

Bus Service: Greyhound and Trailways offer bus services in Asheville, with Greyhound providing routes to various destinations, including Charlotte, Raleigh, Atlanta, Nashville, and New York City.

Taxi Service

A Red Cab Company: (828) 232-1112

Metro Cab: (828) 254-1155.