

MISSISSIPPI MAGAZINE

Best of

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*Explore our readers' picks for
the best in the magnolia state.*

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DINING OUT



APPETIZER

Harveys, Broccoli Bites

Columbus, Starkville, and Tupelo
eatwithharveys.com

When Harvey Seifert and Myrrl Bean joined forces in 1982 to open a nightclub, it quickly became one of the most popular spots in town. And it soon turned into a full-fledged restaurant with great food and prices. Bean's two sons joined the team, and Harveys grew to include multiple locations and spawned new establishments, Sweet Peppers Deli, and Bulldog Burger Company. To this day, one of Harveys most popular dishes is Broccoli Bites, a delicious mix of broccoli, cheese, bacon, onions, and jalapeños, all deep-fried to perfection and served with honey mustard.



Anthony's Good Food Market:
Barbecue Crawfish Tails, West Point
Ely's: Eggplant Ely, Ridgeland
Genna Benna's: Fried Pickled Okra, Brandon
Koestler Prime: Bacon, Ridgeland

BARBECUE

Clay's House of Pig

Tupelo
662.840.7980

Also known as the CHOP, this barbecue joint is the real deal, serving meats smoked on a hand-built smoker with charcoal, hickory, and pecan. All of the sauces and rubs are made in house and as they say, "You better bring an extra shirt, because you WILL be covered in BBQ sauce, rib juice, and slobber!"



Murky Waters Blues-N-BBQ, Ocean Springs
The Little Dooney, Starkville
The Pig and Pint, Jackson
Yo Eddie BBQ, Cleveland

BLUE PLATE SPECIAL

Georgia Blue

Brookhaven, Flowood, and Madison
georgiabluenet

From 11-4, Sunday through Friday, enjoy one of the many tried-and-true blue-plate favorites during lunchtime and as a homestyle dinner from 4 p.m. until they close. Southern-style offerings include everything from hamburger steak with gravy to pot roast and fried chicken. Menu selections are made fresh daily and change each day, so check the website. Delicious, fresh sides vary from Vardaman sweet potatoes to mashed potatoes to fried okra and more.



Cottage Tea Room, Aberdeen
Primos Café, Flowood, Ridgeland, and Madison
The Veranda, Starkville
The Trace Grill, Ridgeland

BREAKFAST/BRUNCH

Primos Café

Flowood, Madison, and Ridgeland
primoscafe.com

At each of these locations, breakfast can be ordered from 6:30 a.m. until 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday. And there's no place better to enjoy hot buttery biscuits, fluffy pancakes, savory omelets, and more. Primos has been one of the capital city's best spots for breakfast for nearly a century. Come grab a cup of coffee and a quick bite or sit a spell and visit with old friends; it's the Primos way.



Fill-Up with Billups, Oxford and Madison
LadyBugg Bakery, Hernando
Starkville Café, Starkville
White Pillars, Biloxi

BEST CATFISH

Cock of the Walk

Pocahontas and Ridgeland
cockofthewalkrestaurant.com

This original Mississippi River catfish house is just that—original. Its menu is chock full of delicious Southern sides like mustard greens, mashed potatoes, and creamed corn but you'll have to decide between just catfish or chicken. It is a catfish house, after all, and catfish is what they do best. Just don't forget to save room for the cast-iron skillet cornbread and a couple of fried dill pickles.



Friendship House, Aberdeen
Guy's Catfish and Steak House, Vaiden
Jerry's Catfish House, Florence
Toney's Grill and Seafood Market, Vicksburg

COFFEE HOUSE

Strange Brew Coffeehouse

Starkville
strangebrewcoffeehouse.myshopify.com

A favorite of locals, students, and visitors alike, Strangebrew has been keeping Starkvillians caffeinated for quite some time. With unique offerings like a Cap'n Crunch Latte, an Albino Squirrel or even some of the best hot chocolate or caramel apple cider around, it's no wonder it remains a winner of the Best of Mississippi. Stop in for coffee but grab a fresh-baked pastry while there, and know that they only serve Mississippi-roasted coffees.



Bright Eyed Brew, Ocean Springs
Cups, multiple locations
Mississippi Grounds, Cleveland
Ridgeland Coffee Company, Ridgeland

KID-FRIENDLY
**Sal and Mookie's New York Pizza
and Ice Cream Joint**

Jackson and Biloxi
salandmookies.com

While Sal and Mookie's serves up sophisticated menu selections for grown-ups, little ones will enjoy all of the nuances aimed at the young and young at heart. From the moment they arrive, they are greeted with a pack of Wiki Sticks, and if you ask your server, they will bring a plate of pizza dough to play with. While they wait for their meal, they will enjoy watching pies being made through the picture window to the kitchen. Wrap up every meal with a trip to the ice cream bar, and Sal and Mookie's is pure heaven.



Genna Benna's, Brandon
LadyBugg Bakery, Hernando
Lost Pizza Co., multiple locations
Sea Level, Pass Christian

CORNBREAD
Restaurant Tyler

Starkville
eatlocalstarkville.com

Cornbread. It's a Southern staple, and nobody makes it better than Restaurant Tyler. In fact, some come for a blue plate here just to get a healthy slice of the Vardaman sweet potato cornbread that comes with a meal. It's fluffy, sweet goodness with a dab of butter, making it hard to save room for anything else.



Ajax Diner, Oxford
Cock of the Walk, Ridgeland and Pochontas
Cottage Tea Room, Aberdeen
Mama Hamil's, Madison

DELI
Newk's Eatery
multiple locations

The Newcombs, owners and founders of Newk's Eatery, are confident in the recipes that they serve. They should be—most menu items are from recipes served in the Newcomb family kitchens for years. Newk's prides itself on the freshest ingredients and made-from-scratch sandwiches, salads, and pizzas. Guests can often be found grabbing pints of Newk's popular chicken salad, pimiento cheese, and other sides from its carry-out fridge. Stop by, grab lunch, and enjoy what makes this Mississippi's best deli.

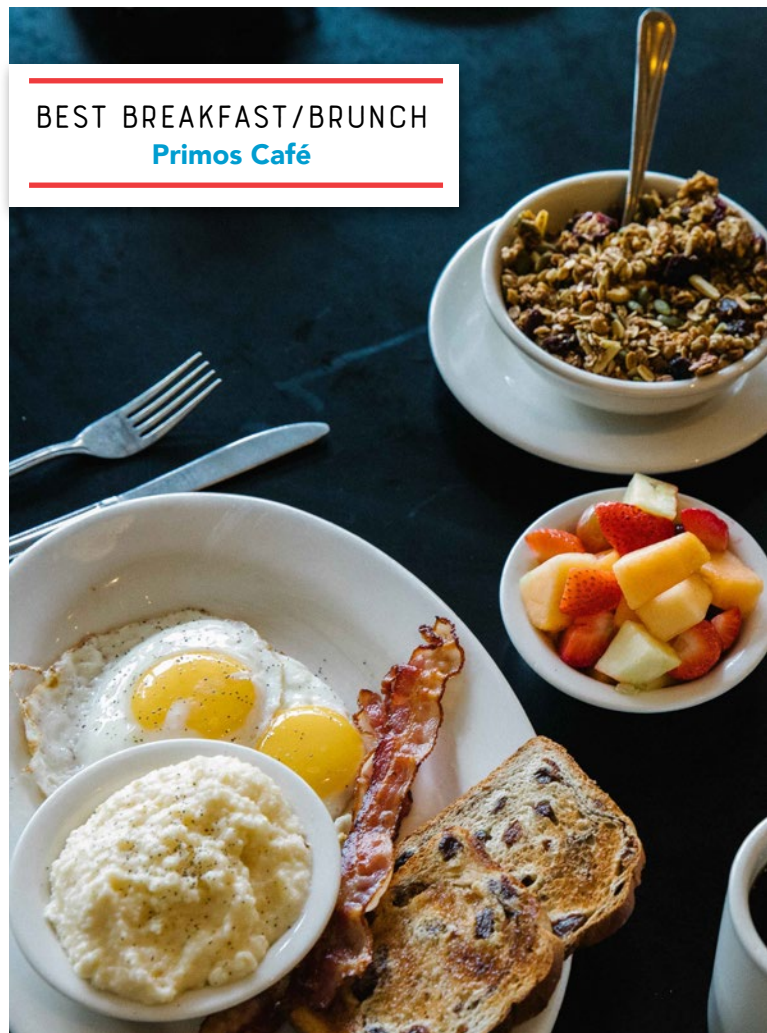


Beagle Bagel, Jackson, Madison, and Oxford
City Bagel Café, Starkville
LadyBugg Bakery, Hernando
Sweet Peppers Deli, multiple locations



BEST BARBECUE
Clay's House of Pig

BEST BREAKFAST/BRUNCH
Primos Café



BEST FOOD TRUCK
Big Bad Wolf



DESSERT

**Blue Canoe: Connie's Blueberry
Doughnut Bread Pudding**

Tupelo
blucanoebar.com

Connie's is famous for its blueberry doughnuts. And the Blue Canoe is famous for its bread pudding that is made from these amazing sweet bites. Stop in for dessert and fun while listening to one of the live performances, or come and grab lunch or dinner. The laid-back vibe and "good mood food" found here can't be beat.



Amerigo: Tiramisu, Flowood and Ridgeland
Crave: Skillet Cookie, Tupelo
Koestler Prime: Bread Pudding, Ridgeland
LadyBugg Bakery: Italian Cream Cake, Hernando

ETHNIC FOOD

Andaman Thai

Starkville
662.617.8222

From drunken noodles and Pho to classic Pad Thai and Tom Kha, Andaman is serving up authentic and delicious Thai food in the Golden Triangle. Locally owned and family run, this Mississippi favorite features all of the traditional Thai dishes you crave.



Aladdin Mediterranean Grill, Jackson
Keifer's, Jackson
Sombra Mexican Kitchen, Flowood and Ridgeland
Spice Avenue, Jackson

BEST FRENCH FRIES
Aplós



FINE DINING

MM Shapley's

Ridgeland
mmshapleys.com

Mary and Mark Shapley opened MM Shapley's in late summer of 2018. After a 20-year hiatus from the restaurant business, the family is back in the saddle sharing family-favorite recipes. From steaks to seafood to dessert and more, dining at MM Shapley's is the perfect spot for date night, special occasions, or simply enjoying a luxurious meal with someone special.



Ely's, Ridgeland
Koestler Prime, Ridgeland
Walker's Drive-In, Jackson
White Pillars, Biloxi



DINING OUT



FOOD TRUCK

Big Bad Wolf

Tupelo
662.401.9338

Roaming around the city of Tupelo, locals looking for a quick and tasty bite find it wherever the Big Bad Wolf happens to park and open shop. Menu items like smoked duck tacos, ground brisket burgers, and pulled pork sandwiches are sure to keep the hungries at bay. Follow them on Facebook or give them a call to find their current location.



Brunch Box, Tupelo
Guy's Catfish and Steak House, Vaiden
Local Mobile, Tupelo
One Guy Steak and Chicken, Brandon

FRENCH FRIES

Aplós

Jackson
eataplos.com

French fries just don't seem to be French fries anymore, but that's a good thing. Especially when it comes to the fries at Aplós. Chef Alex Eaton went back to his Middle Eastern roots when he opened Aplós, and his menu offerings at his premiere restaurant, Manship Wood Fired Kitchen, and Aplós earned him a James Beard nod for Best Chef in the South. His Greek Fries are fried to perfection and sprinkled with parsley, oregano, and Mizithra cheese. Yum!



Bin 612, Starkville
Koestler Prime, Ridgeland
MM Shapley's, Ridgeland
White Pillars, Biloxi

FRIED CHICKEN

Walnut Hills

Vicksburg
walnuthillsms.com

Walnut Hills has been featured on *Good Morning America*, in many regional publications and has won many awards, especially for its fried chicken. The cayenne-flavored chicken has been cooked by Herdcine Williams for more than 30 years. Order the Southern plantation fried chicken and two sides and see why it's called world famous. And don't just enjoy the chicken, enjoy the surroundings of this historic home built in 1880, and savor the experience.



Connie's Fried Chicken, Tupelo
Georgia Blue, Brookhaven, Flowood, and
Madison
King Chicken Fillin' Station, Tupelo
Mama Hamil's, Madison

HAMBURGER

Mugshots Grill and Bar

mugshotsgrillandbar.com

The first Mugshots opened in Hattiesburg in 2004. Since this time, this laid-back burger joint has grown and thrived to a large franchise extending outside Mississippi's borders. The traditional and specialty burgers like Anthony's Peanut Butter Burger (choose between smooth or crunchy) and a Mac and Cheese Burger are some of the many reasons Mugshots has won many burger awards around the South.



Blue Rooster, Flora
Bulldog Burger Company, Starkville
Fine & Dandy, Jackson
Neon Pig, Tupelo

HEALTHY EATING

Crossroads Café

Ridgeland
601.790.7141

In a quiet little spot in Ridgeland, the line often winds to the front door of this true organic eatery. Health-conscious eaters head to Crossroads for a quick organic juice or a smoothie or to grab a table to enjoy one of the many heartier options like burgers, sandwiches, and more. Believing that food can heal, ask questions if you have a specific concern. They are happy to help and answer any questions.



Aladdin Mediterranean Grill, Jackson
Aplós, Jackson
Kermit's Outlaw Kitchen, Tupelo
PoPsy, Tupelo

ITALIAN FOOD

Amerigo

Ridgeland and Flowood
amerigo.net

For nearly 30 years, Amerigo has been a go-to spot for incredible Italian options. Fresh, made-from-scratch Italian dishes like oven-roasted lasagna, shrimp scampi, and cannelloni al forno keep customers coming back. The casual and cozy atmosphere makes it a great place for business lunch or a night out with family and friends.



Bravo!, Jackson
Cerami's, Flowood
Fratesi's, Ridgeland
Nautical Whimsy Italian, Tupelo



DINING OUT



NEW RESTAURANT

Genna Benna's

Brandon
gennabennas.com

From the brilliant minds at Georgia Blue comes Genna Benna's, located in historic downtown Brandon. Its casual and laid-back vibe is complemented by its equally laid-back, yet scrumptious, menu. Stop in for live music on Friday and Saturday nights, but come anytime to enjoy the vast selection of pizzas, sandwiches, burgers, and more. Be sure and save room to stop by their bakery located next door.



1883 Smokehouse, Starkville
Aplós, Jackson
Cultivation Food Hall, Jackson
Toney's Grill and Seafood Market, Vicksburg

OUTDOOR DINING

Bin 612

Starkville
eatlocalstarkville.com

In Starkville's hip Cotton District, you'll find this happening spot, mainly because its comfortable patio located out front is a prime place to see and be seen. Tables fill up quickly when perfect patio-sitting weather emerges. Grab a seat, enjoy the views, and order from a superior selection of fresh-made pizzas, paninis, and other favorites.



10 South Rooftop Bar and Grill, Vicksburg
Keifer's, Jackson
Proffitt's Porch, Columbus
Walker's Drive-In, Jackson

PIZZA

Lost Pizza Co.

multiple locations
lostpizza.com

With its origins rooted in the Mississippi Delta, Lost Pizza Company has quickly grown to several cities around the Magnolia State. The pies crafted from the dream of two college roommates have become a crowd-pleasing favorites. Enjoy the fun and funky atmosphere while savoring the homemade pizzas that come in a variety of unique flavors with a large assortment of toppings.



Pizza Shack, multiple locations
Sal and Mookie's, Jackson and Biloxi
Soulshine Pizza, multiple locations
Stromboli's, Starkville

SEAFOOD

Half Shell Oyster House

multiple locations
halfshelloysterhouse.com

When Half Shell Oyster House opened in downtown Gulfport in 2009, its popularity quickly grew, and now boasts 10 locations. While the oysters are a prime draw, the bevy of other Cajun-influenced seafood options is a great reason to plan a visit. Fresh fish and seafood have never tasted better.



Saltine, Jackson
Toney's Grill and Seafood Market, Vicksburg
Walker's Drive-In, Jackson
White Pillars, Biloxi

STEAK

Koestler Prime

Ridgeland
koestlerprime.com

Julie and Scott Koestler have been serving the finest steaks for over 20 years. Now in a new upscale location at the Renaissance—an exquisite interior with chic furnishings and museum-worthy artwork—Koestler's has a fine dining experience to match its menu. They offer only prime meats cooked to perfection and topped with one of many options—from shrimp Aux Lujan, to sautéed jumbo lump crabmeat, and more. Pair it with a delicious side like Gruyere and chive scalloped potatoes, hand-cut fries, or cream spinach au gratin. Come for the amazing atmosphere, stay for the superior meal, and experience what a great steak should be.



Anthony's Good Food Market, West Point
Beechwood Restaurant, Vicksburg
CHAR, Jackson
Doe's Eat Place, Greenville

SUSHI

Umi Japanese Steakhouse and Sushi Bar

Starkville
662.323.5258

Children always love hibachi, and what a better way to get them to eat their vegetables than having entertainment involved? Umi serves the best sushi in the Golden Triangle, and its customers are loyal fans of its unique rolls. There isn't much better than kid-friendly, fun, and great food. Stop in Umi to see why it is consistently voted one of Mississippi's best.



Edo, Jackson
Little Tokyo, Ridgeland
Nagoya, Madison
Sakura Bana, Jackson

SWEET SHOP/BAKERY

Campbell's Bakery

Jackson and Madison
campbellsbakery.ms

They are as identifiable as can be, the iconic Campbell's teacakes that have been served at elementary school parties, sorority rush, and much more for years. Open since 1962, this is Jackson's oldest bakery and with the vast selection of custom-created cakes, cookies, bars, petit fours, and more, it's easy to see why it has been a mainstay in Jackson with the need for a second location in Madison. Enjoy a sweet treat from the display case after school or place an order for an event or party.



Genna Benna's Bakery, Brandon
Hoover's Bakery, West Point
La Brioche Pâtisserie, Jackson
LadyBugg Bakery, Hernando

SWEET TEA

Cottage Tea Room

Aberdeen
662.369.1157

Aberdeen locals love to stop by this old home to enjoy a great plate lunch, quiche, or salad, but it's the good ol' Southern sweet tea that brings each meal to perfection. Stop by on Wednesday to get a serving of the beloved bread pudding, and be sure to try the turnip green casserole. Just wash it all down with a tall glass of the sweet tea.



Georgia Blue, Brookhaven, Flowood, and Madison
Newk's Eatery, multiple locations
Sweet Peppers Deli, multiple locations
The Trace Grill, Ridgeland

TAMALES

Doe's Eat Place

Greenville
doeseatplace.com

The Signa family has been open for business since 1941. It began as a grocery store, and Mamie Signa was selling hot tamales there. After a couple of local physicians began to enjoy steaks cooked by Big Doe in the back, it soon became a full-fledged restaurant. And the rest is history, but don't stop by here without ordering the hot tamales. Nothing can be better than something that has been perfected and sold for more than 75 years.



Fat Mama's Tamales, Natchez
Koestler Prime, Ridgeland
MM Shapley's, Ridgeland
Tony's Tamales, Ridgeland



BEST HEALTHY EATING
Crossroads Café



BEST SWEET SHOP/BAKERY
Campbell's Bakery





GETTING OUT



ATTRACTION FOR KIDS
Mississippi Children's Museum
 Jackson
mschildrensmuseum.org

This delightful spot at LeFleur's Bluff offers child-focused learning fun based on all of the things that make the Magnolia State a wonderful place to live, from dance and music in the Express Yourself Gallery to learning about the state's dormant volcano in the Exploring Mississippi Gallery. There's so much to do and so much to learn. There's a fun splash pad and more outdoors. Come see what all the fun is about!



Geysler Falls Water Theme Park, Choctaw
 Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, Gulfport
 Mississippi Museum of Natural Science,
 Jackson
 Tupelo Buffalo Park and Zoo, Tupelo

COMPETITIVE RACE
Mississippi Blues Marathon
 Jackson
msbluesmarathon.events

This annual race that honors the state's musical roots is a fun and challenging course. Look for next year's race in February. Start training now to run the half-marathon or full marathon, or grab three fitness minded friends and have a four-person relay team. It's a great way to see the capital city. A portion of the race proceeds goes to the Mississippi Blues Commission's Musicians' Benevolent Fund.



300 Oaks Road Race, Greenwood
 Gulf Coast Marathon, Biloxi
 Heart of Dixie Triathlon, Louisville
 Farm Bureau Watermelon Classic, Jackson

FAIR OR FESTIVAL
Prairie Arts Festival
 West Point
prairieartsfestival.org

Downtown West Point turns into a festive frenzy with more than 300 vendors, great Southern food, and lively music each Saturday before Labor Day. There's also a 5K race to get everyone going, and visitors come from miles around to enjoy the fun. Bring the whole family for a big taste of small-town Mississippi celebrating.



Cotton District Arts Festival, Starkville
 Mississippi Science Fest, Jackson
 Mississippi State Fair, Jackson
 Neshoba County Fair, Philadelphia

FARMERS MARKET
Livingston Farmers Market
 Livingston
thetownoflivingston.com

On Thursday evenings from 5-9 p.m., locals come to enjoy sponsored activities, fabulous vendors, seasonal food offerings and much more. Vendors are on hand selling everything from fresh produce, beef, and baked goods to coffee, soaps, and more. Fun activities may include waterslides, kids workshops, and festive music.



Cockrell's Farmers Market, Brandon
 Hitching Lot Farmers Market, Columbus
 Starkville Community Farmers Market,
 Starkville
 Tupelo Farmers Depot, Tupelo

GOLF COURSE
Old Waverly Golf Club
 West Point
oldwaverly.com

Experience the old South and two great golf courses in one destination. Old Waverly has been a superior course for more than 30 years and it is situated directly across from Mossy Oak, which overlooks the beautiful Black Prairie of Mississippi. Stay and play both courses from Old Waverly's luxury lodging options. It's a golf lover's paradise.



Big Oaks Golf Course, Slatton
 Country Club of Jackson, Jackson
 Dancing Rabbit Golf Club, Philadelphia
 Reunion Golf and Country Club, Madison

LIVE MUSIC VENUE
Brandon Amphitheater
 Brandon
brandonamphitheater.com

This new venue opened in 2018 and continues to draw big-name entertainment to central Mississippi. The open-air seating provides great upper- and lower-level seats with optional box seats. Beverage and food concessions keep visitors satiated and convenient parking makes this one of the state's finest venues. July will welcome performers Luke Bryan and the Tedeschi Trucks Band, while August pulls in Little Big Town and Pentatonix.



BancorpSouth Arena, Tupelo
 Blue Canoe, Tupelo
 Bonny Blair's Sports Café, Brandon
 Duling Hall, Jackson

BEST FESTIVAL
Prairie Arts Festival



BEST COMPETITIVE RACE
Mississippi Blues Marathon

BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE
Brandon Amphitheater



BEST NEW EVENT
Bunnies and Butterflies at the Mississippi Children's Museum



GETTING OUT



NEW EVENT

Bunnies and Butterflies at the Mississippi Children's Museum

Jackson
mschildrensmuseum.org

A sponsored event of the Mississippi Children's Museum, Bunnies and Butterflies is a fun-filled day where little ones can dress as beautiful butterflies and enjoy related activities, face painting, and ultimately, a butterfly release. The Gertrude C. Ford Literacy Garden and Pollinator's Playground come alive at this annual event.



An Evening at the MAX, Meridian
Community Bank Downtown Crawfest, Laurel
Mississippi Science Fest, Jackson
Sunday Funday, Starkville

OVERALL SHOPPING DESTINATION

Renaissance at Colony Park

Ridgeland
renaissanceatcolonypark.com

Traveling down I-55, just north of Jackson, the beautiful Italian-inspired shopping complex can be seen. Delve further and you'll find a beautiful marble fountain with sculpted horses, often a favorite spots for photographs. Well-known national brands like Brooks Brothers and Orvis can be found here alongside terrific locally owned shops like BellaChes and The Old Thyme Commissary. Grab a bite to eat at Local 463, Koestler Prime, Basil's, and more. Spend the day and enjoy the great shopping and lively atmosphere.



Dogwood Festival Market, Flowood
Highland Village, Jackson
Downtown Ocean Springs
Outlets of Mississippi, Pearl

PERFORMING ARTS VENUE

Thalia Mara Hall

Jackson
thaliamarahall.net

With the ability to comfortably seat more than 2,000 guests, this venue plays host to musical talents, Broadway shows, and every four years, the USA International Ballet Competition. Whether it's opera, plays, or a little rock n' roll that piques interest, Thalia Mara is a premier place to watch it all happen.



Bologna Performing Arts Center, Cleveland
Brandon Amphitheater, Brandon
Gertrude C. Ford Center, Oxford
MSU Riley Center, Meridian

PLACE TO GET OUTDOORS

Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge

Starkville
fws.gov

Multiple trails, boardwalks, and overlooks make this slice of the landscape a hiker's paradise. Take Bluff Lake Boardwalk that stretches through a cypress island, to see nesting egrets, herons, and ibis at Goose Overlook, a 30-foot high observation platform that overlooks Dickerson Arm of Bluff Lake. And there are many additional options to get close to nature. Watch the alligator swim the waters, look for tracks of beaver and bobcats, see the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker, and more.



Natchez Trace Overlook, Natchez
Ross Barnett Reservoir, Madison and Rankin Counties
South Mississippi Off-Road and RV Park, Perkinston
Tishomingo State Park, Dennis

FLEA MARKET

Canton Flea Market

Canton
cantონmsfleamarket.com

The second Thursdays of May and October welcome one of the South's greatest events. Canton's town square plays host to hundreds of vendors selling their wares and guests who come from near and far to shop the abundance of homemade goods, crafts, and more. You haven't shopped a flea market until you've made it to Canton.



49 South Antiques & Flea Market, Florence
Flowood Antique Flea Market, Flowood
The Lucky Rabbit, Hattiesburg
Tupelo Flea Market, Tupelo

BEST PARK

Tishomingo State Park

tishomingo@mdwfp.state.ms.us

Located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, this park is not only beautiful, but its history is truly notable. Excavations of the park confirm the presence of Paleo Indians here as early as 7000 B.C. Hikers will enjoy challenging trails, rock formations, and even waterfalls. Walk the paths once traveled by so many so long ago.



Ballard Park, Tupelo
LeFleur's Bluff State Park, Jackson
Liberty Park, Madison
Strawberry Patch Park, Madison



SEEKING OUT



FASHION ACCESSORIES

Cobo's Boutique

Brandon and Starkville
cobosocialshop.com

Sassy and stylish looks with a great variety of price ranges make CoBo's Boutique a hotspot for fashion and fashionable accessories. Find shoes that are on trend, handbags, jewelry, and more. Bring an outfit to perfection with a stop at one of their two locations.



Deep South Pout, Starkville and Columbus
Flawless Boutique, Flowood
James and Leigh, Clinton
Material Girls, multiple locations

CHILDREN'S SHOP

Wee the People

Madison
weethepeoplems.com

Whether it's infants, toddlers, tweens, or anything in between. Wee the People in Madison has it all. With stylish and conservative tween fashions as well as Southern and stylish attire for the littles, find a great selection of fun and fabulous childrenswear.



Ashley's Children's Boutique, Aberdeen
Doodlebugs, Starkville
Helen's Young Ages, Jackson
Sweet Dreams, Madison

TRENDY FASHIONS

Deep South Pout

Columbus and Starkville
deepsouthpout.com

"Now you can afford to be trendy," says Deep South Pout. For the most fashion-forward apparel at reasonable prices, it's no surprise that this powerhouse retailer sells as much online as it does in its two locations. From tops to denim to comfy and cool dresses and great accessories, it's all at Deep South Pout.



Cobo's, Brandon and Starkville
James and Leigh, Clinton
Material Girls, multiple locations
Sii Bello Boutique, Clinton

CLOTHING CONSIGNMENT

Revolution

Starkville
consignrevolution.com

This unique consignment store has inventory that changes daily and is filled with brand-name fashions and current trends. Stop by often. There is no guessing at what treasures you'll find, and all at affordable prices.



Leap Frog Children's Consignment, Madison
Private Collection, Madison
Repeat Street, Ridgeland
Zeal Consignment Boutique, Brookhaven

HIGH-END MEN'S APPAREL

Kinkade's Fine Clothing

Ridgeland
kinkades.com

From the friendly staff to the fine selection of clothing, when shopping with Kinkade's you'll notice the difference. Offering exclusive lines from collections like Coppley to men's comfortable and casual brands like Tommy Bahama, men know where to head to achieve a polished look.



George Sherman Clothiers, Starkville
Great Scott, Jackson
Steve's on the Square, Philadelphia
The Rogue, Jackson

TWEEN/TEEN APPAREL

Squared Girl

Jackson

In 2016, Squared Girl evolved from a fun and fabulous dance store named Dancing Divas. The store, featuring quality and fashionable clothing for young girls heading into their teen years, filled a void and has become the go-to spot for young-hearted style. Carrying fabulous gifts for girls as well as denim, party dresses, everyday casual, and more, girls can find the perfect outfit for any occasion.



Gingersnaps, Ridgeland
PopFizz, Jackson and Oxford
R. Tabb and Co., Starkville
Wee the People, Madison

HIGH-END WOMEN'S APPAREL

CoatTails

Ridgeland
coattailsllc.com

High-end brands and high-end style—CoatTails in Ridgeland has been one of Mississippi's best sources for women to find amazing clothing and accessories. Carrying everything from everyday casual to formal attire, find a great game-day outfit or be the belle of the ball.



Cobo's Boutique, Starkville and Brandon
Deep South Pout, Starkville and Columbus
L.A. Green, Starkville
Maison Weiss and MW2, Jackson and Oxford

MEN'S CASUAL CLOTHING

Reed's

Starkville and Tupelo
reedsm.com

This trusted clothier in Mississippi for more than 100 years offers a vast selection of comfortable and casual clothing for even the most distinguished Southern gentleman. Brands like Pata-gonia, Columbia, Properly Tied, and more are available to the smart dressed man looking for a laid-back look with style.



Buffalo Peak Outfitters, Jackson
George Sherman Clothiers, Starkville
Kinkade's Fine Clothing, Ridgeland
Steve's on the Square, Philadelphia



SEEKING OUT



HEALTH AND BEAUTY DAY SPA

The Glam Station and Spa

Columbus
theglamstationspa.com

Whether it's a relaxing massage, a facial, or specialized beauty treatment, waxing, or any other service, The Glam Station will have you relaxed and feeling beautiful. Appointments can be easily scheduled online. This spot has also won several awards around the Golden Triangle.



Aqua the Day Spa, Ridgeland
Brickerton Day Spa, Columbus
Drench Day Spa, Ridgeland
Serenity Massaging Hands, Madison

HEALTH AND FITNESS CENTER

Studio S

Greenville and Cleveland
saramorelandfitness.com

With locations in Greenville and Cleveland, Del-tans flock to Studio S to train with fitness guru Sara Moreland. If you can't make it to the Delta, download the Studio S Fitness app from Google Play or the Apple App Store. Visit her website to see many of the amazing transformations of clients.



Olde Towne Barre, Clinton and Ridgeland
Starke Fitness, Madison
the BarrE, Brandon
The Club at Crossgates, Brandon

SALON

M. Corley Salon

Ridgeland
769.572.4989

Bring out the most beautiful you at this popular salon in Ridgeland. Whether through a cut, color, or trim, the trained stylists at MCorley have the knowledge and expertise to provide you with the perfect new look.



Goodness and Grace Beauty Bar, Philadelphia
HairStudio20, Meridian and Philadelphia
Salon 11, Ridgeland
Turning Heads, Carthage

ART GALLERY

Brown's Framing and Fine Art

Jackson
brownsfineart.com

Located in the heart of Fondren in Jackson, this frame shop and art gallery is truly one of Mississippi's finest. Boasting nearly 200 years of combined experience, whether it's an appraisal that is needed, contemporary or traditional framing, or treasured art for purchase, Brown's is simply the best.



Attic Gallery, Vicksburg
Caron Gallery, Tupelo
Fischer Galleries, Jackson
View Gallery, Jackson

GARDEN ART

Four Seasons Garden Art

Crystal Springs
fourseasonsgardenart.net

For quality cast-stone statuary, fountains, and other garden elements, there isn't a larger selection in the Magnolia State. With more than 300 running fountains on five acres, Four Seasons is worth the trip when seeking garden accessories and furnishings.



Bloomers Nursery, Caledonia
Farmhouse Tupelo, Tupelo
Martinson's Gardenworks, Ridgeland
Smith Landscaping and Greenhouse,
Columbus

HOME DÉCOR RESALE/ CONSIGNMENT

Repeat Street

Ridgeland
repeatstreet.net

Visit Repeat Street's 17,000-square-foot showroom often for the state's finest selection of consignment clothing and furnishings. The inventory changes daily, and there is always a treasure to be found.



Bloomingdeals, Jackson
Forget Me Nots, Brandon
Horsefeathers Mall 182, Starkville
Twice Blessed, Bruce

FURNITURE STORE

Batte Furniture and Interiors

Jackson

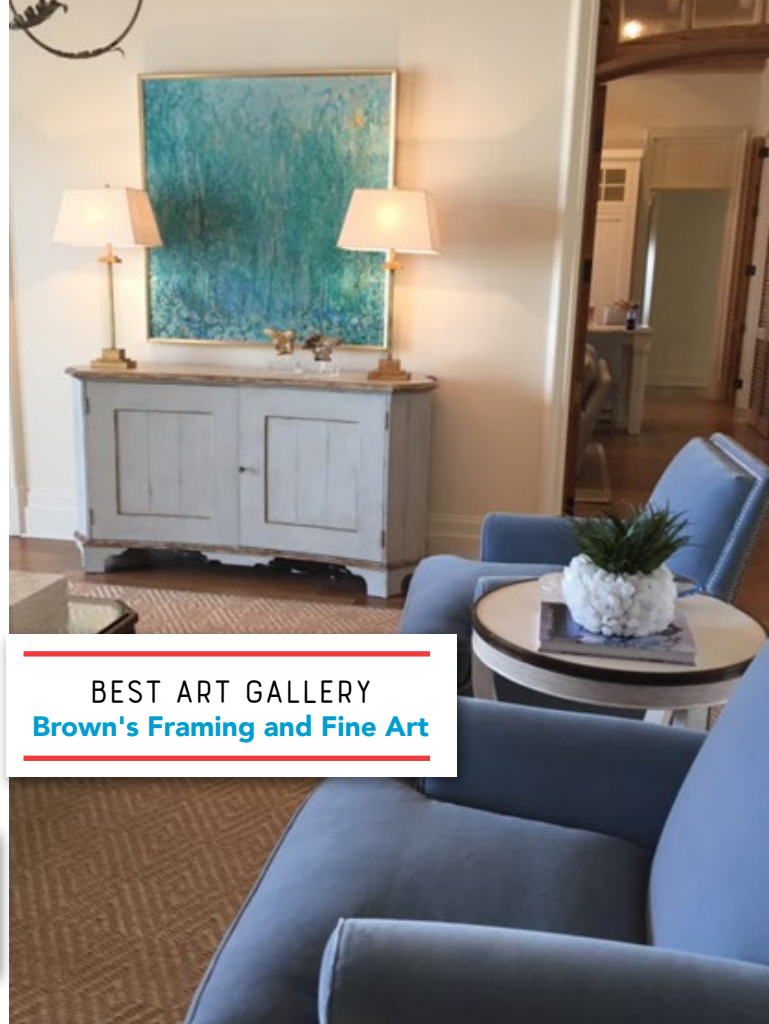
For more than 125 years, Batte Furniture and Interiors has been dressing Mississippi homes with stylish quality furnishings. Visit the expansive showroom, meet with one of the complimentary designers and experience the exceptional service, and see the distinguished selection of furniture and accessories that have kept Batte as a mainstay in home décor.



J. Allan's, Brookhaven
Miskelly, Multiple locations
Rick's Furniture Market, Starkville
Ross Furniture, Pearl



BEST HOTEL OR RESORT
The Roost



BEST ART GALLERY
Brown's Framing and Fine Art



BEST GARDEN ART
Four Seasons Garden Art



BEST RECEPTION VENUE
**Bridlewood of Madison
and The Barn at Bridlewood**



BEST HIGH-END MEN'S APPAREL
[Kinkade's Fine Clothing](#)



BEST FINE JEWELRY
[Juniker Jewelry Co.](#)



BEST FURNITURE
[Batte Furniture and Interiors](#)



BEST TRENDY FASHION
[Deep South Pout](#)



SEEKING OUT



KITCHEN SHOP

Everyday Gourmet

Ridgeland
theeverydaygourmet.com

With delectable gourmet goodies, sauces, kitchen necessities, fine china, and more, for years Everyday Gourmet has been the go-to spot for any cooking needs. There is also a cooking school for anyone looking to explore their inner chef, and one of the state's largest and most popular bridal registries.



Culin-Arts, West Point
Farmhouse Tupelo, Tupelo
The Kitchen Table, Hattiesburg
Viking Cooking School, Greenwood

YARD AND GARDEN SHOP

Bloomers Nursery

Caledonia
seemybloomers.com

Two decades ago, Debbie Lawrence turned an old horse pasture into what is now one of the state's most popular garden centers. Visit to discover the vast offerings of garden art and home décor, trees, shrubs, plantings, and more.



Buds and Blooms Nursery, Wesson
Callaway's Yard and Garden, Ridgeland and
Madison
Lakeland Yard and Garden, Flowood
Martinson's Garden Works, Ridgeland

BOOK STORE

Lemuria

Jackson
lemuriabooks.com

For collectible first editions, signed copies, and a regular host of book signings, look no further than Banner Hall in Jackson. This eclectic bookstore is filled with best sellers, local authors, and an exceptional selection of children's books along with an expert staff.



Lorelei Books, Vicksburg
Reed's GumTree Bookstore, Tupelo
Square Books, Oxford
Turnrow Book Company, Greenwood

PLACE TO FIND ANTIQUES

Magnolia Antique Mall

Columbus
magnoliaantiquemall.com

More than 30 vendors bring the largest array of antique, reclaimed, and vintage items to this mall. A selection of heirloom treasures and keepsakes from Europe and around the United States can be found here. They also specialize in furniture refinishing and trunk restoration.



Annabelle's Antique Mall, West Point
Antique Aly, Ridgeland
Antique Mall of the South, Ridgeland
Horsefeathers Mall 182, Starkville

ANTIQUÉ JEWELRY

Van Atkins

New Albany and Oxford
vanatkins.com

Van Atkins has long been a leader in estate jewelry. For true antique and vintage jewels, stop by the location on the Square in Oxford or the original location in New Albany. If you can't make the trip to north Mississippi, browse the online selections on their website.



Beard's Furniture and Antiquities, Columbus
City Jewelry, Philadelphia
Juniker Jewelry Co., Madison
Russell's Warehouse Antiques and Jewelry,
Greenwood

FINE JEWELRY

Juniker Jewelry Co.

Madison
junikerjewelry.com

Juniker's state-of-the-art jewelry store in Madison is reflective of the lineage and expertise behind the name. Its fourth generation of ownership is a tribute to the knowledge of the industry along with its collection of quality jewels that includes lines from Christopher Designs, Judith Ripka, and Gurhan, and the store's own line of Art Deco-inspired jewels in its Heritage Collection.



Albriton's Jewelers, Jackson
J. Parkerson Jewelers, Starkville
Jackson Jewelers, Flowood
Van Atkins, New Albany and Oxford

HOME DÉCOR AND ACCESSORIES

M.G. & Company

Philadelphia
601.575.3516

A home's accessories are the finishing touches that complete each room's look. At M.G. and Company, find the perfect painting, lamp, arrangement, and more to bring décor to perfection.



Batte Furniture and Interiors, Jackson
Farmhouse Tupelo, Tupelo
MODA Designs, New Albany
Relish Home Accents, Madison



SEEKING OUT



BRIDAL GIFT REGISTRY

Persnickety

Madison
persnickeshops.com

Herend, Annieglass, Raynaud, and CasaFina are just a few of the exquisite lines found at Persnickety. Their quality service and amazing selection have been appealing to brides for years. Persnickety is the discerning choice when searching for the perfect gift for a happy couple.



Batte Bridal Registry, Jackson
Everyday Gourmet, Ridgeland
Generations Fine Paper and Gifts, Meridian
M.G. and Company, Philadelphia

BRIDAL SHOP

Elle James Bridal

Ridgeland
ellejamesbridal.com

Say yes to the dress at Elle James. This popular bridal boutique offers a selection of top designer gowns—from Monique Lhuillier to Anne Barge Couture and more. Shop for top-of-the-line accessories for the big day or find the dress of your dreams.



It's a Date and Tuxedo Shop, Starkville
Lace Bridal Experience, Brandon
The Bridal Path, Jackson
The Bride and Groom, Columbus

MOTHER-OF-THE-BRIDE SHOP

The Bridal Path

Jackson
bridalpathinc.com

The Bridal Path has been outfitting wedding parties and dressing brides since 1970. Let the Jarvis team help mom find the perfect dress your special day. Their expertise and selection will make one part of planning the big day a bit easier.



Fashion Post, Jackson
Kay's Creations, Oxford and Starkville
Lace Bridal Experience, Brandon
The Bride and Groom, Columbus

PLACE TO LIVE

Madison

madisonthecity.com

With some of the top schools in the state, stellar shopping, fabulous planned living communities, and more, it's no surprise that Madison is a top place to live and raise a family. Explore this fast-growing and popular city in the heart of the Magnolia State to see its delightful appeal.



Ocean Springs
Oxford
Starkville
Tupelo

WEEKEND TRIP

Natchez

visitnatchez.org

When an entire city is a historical site, it's no wonder that it is a great option for a weekend adventure. In Natchez, a weekend isn't even long enough to see all of its historic antebellum homes and sites, visit its amazing restaurants, and enjoy all of the incredible shopping.



Biloxi
Greenwood
Ocean Springs
Oxford

RECEPTION VENUE

Bridlewood of Madison and The Barn at Bridlewood

Hattiesburg and Madison
thebarnatbridlewood.com

For any event or for planning the perfect wedding, the Barn at Bridlewood offers two ideal locations. Ample space in either location is accented by the rustic yet elegant backdrop of beautiful barns, but with all of the needed amenities to pull off even the largest events.



Hewlett Barn, Starkville
The Henry Smith House, Picayune
The South Warehouse, Jackson
White Pillars, Biloxi

HOTEL OR RESORT

The Roost

Ocean Springs
roostoceansprings.com

This boutique hotel in Ocean Springs brings luxurious accommodations to this Gulf city. Well-appointed suites offer the finest linens, furnishings, and amenities. Grab a quick bite to carry on an outing or dine in at Eat Drink Love, the hotel's eatery, and enhance your stay by booking a unique excursion.



Beau Rivage Resort and Casino, Biloxi
Historic Hotel Chester, Starkville
The Alluvian, Greenwood
The Graduate, Oxford



SEEKING OUT



GIFT SHOP

Apple Annie's

Brandon and Madison
shopappleannies.com

Find the perfect gift for anyone on your list from Apple Annie's prime selection of home goods, jewelry, food items, and more. Don't forget to try one of the store's offerings of soup and dip mixes that are sure to please.



Farmhouse Tupelo, Tupelo
M.G. & Co, Philadelphia
Occasions, Starkville
The Pine Cone, Ridgeland

BED AND BREAKFAST

Court Square Inn Bed and Breakfast

Holly Springs
hollyspringsinn.com

For the perfect view of the historic Courthouse Square in Holly Springs, Court Square Inn is the best spot to rest and rejuvenate. With three luxury suites that include private sitting areas, kitchens, and laundry, all of the comforts of home are here for your enjoyment.



Fairview Inn, Jackson
Kelinci Spa Bed and Breakfast, Long Beach
The Inn at Ocean Springs, Ocean Springs
The Roost, Ocean Springs

PET GOODS AND SERVICES

The Pet Shop of Fondren

Jackson
thepetshopfondren.com

For the best selection in high-quality pet nutrition and other sustainable pet products, The Pet Shop in Fondren's fun and funky Fondren District is the spot. Shop their unique products in the store or online, and they offer free local delivery for purchases over \$100.



Briarwood Animal Hospital, Jackson
Mannsdale Animal Clinic, Madison
The Dawg House Playground and Salon,
Starkville
The Dog Wash, Jackson

DOWNTOWN AREA

Ocean Springs

ocean-springs.ms.gov

This quiet city on the Gulf grew from a French settlement in 1699 to the thriving community that it is today. Ocean Springs' quaint downtown is full of amazing eateries and incredible shopping. Make it a day trip or stay over to enjoy the nightlife.



Laurel
Oxford
Starkville
Tupelo

STATIONERY SHOP

Posh Design Shoppe

Clinton
poshms.com

A quality selection of papers for planning any event or writing the perfect note awaits at this popular shop in Clinton. From programs and signage to seating charts and more, Posh can not only create customized accessories and accents, they can also assist with event planning and wedding coordinating.



Flourish Paper, Tupelo
Fresh Ink, Jackson
Generations Fine Paper and Gifts, Meridian
Paper Place, Jackson

HISTORIC SITE

Vicksburg National Military Park

Vicksburg
nps.gov/vick

The historic significance of this park to Mississippi and to the nation is undeniable. The city and the battle that changed the tide of the War Between the States are memorialized among the rambling acres of this park.



Elvis Presley Birthplace, Tupelo
Natchez
Vicksburg
Waverly Mansion, West Point

FLORAL SHOP/DESIGNER

The Flower Company

Starkville
662.320.9040

Beautiful blooms abound at The Flower Company. No matter the need—a bridal bouquet, get-well arrangement, flowers for a loved one, and more—they will prepare a fragrant floral creation that will please everyone and warm hearts.



Flowers by the Bunch, Starkville
M.G. & Co, Philadelphia
Soiree Floral and Gifts, Madison
The French Potager, Bay St. Louis