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How to Get Fed in Asheville

Although Asheville has a number of restaurants for the hungry to choose from, neither the title "restaurant" nor a certification from the Board of Health necessarily ensure an agreeable culinary experience. Fortunately for UNC-A students, many of the better eateries are located within a reasonable distance from the campus, and this guide will perhaps help you find them.

CHEAP (under \$3)

Athens Restaurant:

Good breakfasts. Open from 7 a.m. til 10 p.m., closed Mondays. 641 Merrimon Ave., 254-5200.

Dennis' Delicatessen:

Deli-style sandwiches and occasional Greek Specialities. Lunch and dinner, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., closed Sunday. 760 Merrimon Ave., 252-4653. Serves beer.

Ike's International:

Sandwiches, subs, pizza, and a selected amount of Turkish foods. Serves beer. Open 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Sunday through Thursday; open til 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. It's convenient location to campus has made it a popular student spot. 501 Merrimon Ave., 252-1774.

O'Henry's:

Sandwiches, lunch specials, beer and wine in a funky turn of the century atmosphere. Open weekdays, 11 a.m. to

12 a.m., weekends til 1 a.m.; kitchen closes every night at 10 p.m. Closed Sunday. Live-entertainment many a night. Located downtown at 59 Haywood St., 254-1891. See centerfold map.

Stone Soup:

Soup, salad and sandwiches. Monday through Friday between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dinner served Friday and Saturday between 5:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Closed Sundays. Located at the Allen Center, 331 College St., 253-3371.

Tiger's Subway:

Sandwiches and subs, Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, Tiger's reopens from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., with entertainment on those evenings. Downtown at 76 Haywood St., 253-6600.

MEDIUM (under \$7)

Bavarian Cellar:

Sandwiches, German and Italian dinners. Beer, wine and cocktails. Open Monday through Saturday, serving from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Located at the Innsbruck Mall on Tunnel Rd. (Hwy 70 East), 252-1454.

The Fireplace:

Steaks, seafood (broiled or fried) and a small but superb salad bar. Sunday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Located at 330 Weaverville Hwy (25 North), 645-5151.

High Tea Cafe:

Fresh salads, homemade soups and desserts; teas and exotic coffees. Beer and wine served; outdoor seating. Oper Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. til 3:30 p.m. Located downtown at 23 Wall St., 255-0468. See centerfold map

Gatsby's:

Sandwiches, salads, beer and wine. Outdoor seating. Open Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday and Saturday with evening entertainment. Downtown at 13 W. Walnut St. in Lexington Park, 254-4248.

The Iron Gate:

Allegedly specializing in Italian food, this restaurant is a tomato travesty and a slur on the name of pasta. Beer and wine served. 2 S. Tunnel Rd. (74 East), 298-5773.

Paradise Restaurant:

Area's best Chinese restaurant, primarily Cantonese cuisine. Trust your imagination and try some of the more exotic selections such as Breaded Chicken in Black Bean Sauce. Open daily from 11:30 a.m. til 10 p.m. Downtown at 19 Broadway, 253-2541. See centerfold map.

Poncho's:

Mexican cuisine, beer, wine and cocktails served. Open daily til 10 p.m., with a luncheon buffet served til 2 p.m. Located at 550 Tunnel Rd. (70 East), 298-2578.

Frank's Roman Pizza:

Possibly the best pizza in town. Individual slices available, beer served. Open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and til 9:30 on Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday. Located at Innsbruck Mall, 253-3001.

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Jared's:

Sandwiches at lunch only. Crepes and French cuisine. Beer, wine and cocktails. Pleasant bar with fine entertainment in the evening. Reservations for dining suggested. Open Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. til 11 p.m., bar open until. Downtown at 60 Haywood St., 252-8276.

The Marketplace:

High continental cuisine. Sandwiches at lunch only, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dinner menu changes every few days, with selections based on availability of fresh foods. Beer, wine and cocktails. Reservations suggested. Elegant bar with fine entertainment. Dinner served from 6 p.m. til 9:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday; lunch served Tuesday through Friday. Located downtown at 10 N. Market St., 252-4162.