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Dining in Atlanta

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Like any large city, Atlanta offers an enormous selection of restaurants. Rather than provide a comprehensive guide, we have chosen to recommend a few of the establishments with which we are familiar and/or which generally receive good reviews from colleagues and the press. In addition it should be noted that the Hilton Hotel, the Marriott Marquis and the Hyatt Regency are located on adjacent blocks and contain several quality eating establishments. The Marriott and the Hyatt are linked by skywalks to Peachtree Plaza which is an area featuring numerous casual eating establishments of modest to moderate price suitable for lunch. Access to the Marta Rail System is also available at the Peachtree Plaza.

In addition to the restaurants noted below, "Underground Atlanta," a downtown shopping and entertainment area being developed by the Rouse Company, is scheduled to be open by the time of the convention. A complex of new and restored buildings below street level, Underground will include a variety of bars and restaurants and should be well worth a visit.

Restaurants which do not accept reservations are noted. Reservations are either suggested or required for all other listed restaurants. The estimated average cost for dinner with hors d'oeuvre and desert but without beverages is noted as follows:

\$	Under \$15.00
\$\$	\$15.00 to \$30.00
\$\$\$	\$30.00 to \$45.00

Actual costs will of course vary within these ranges depending upon the selection of entree.

The Best of Atlanta

If you come to a convention to experience fine dining, then you will not be disappointed by any of the following restaurants. The price, of course, is expensive in keeping with the quality. If you are negotiating a new book contract, these are the places to be taken to close the deal. With the exception of Nikolai's Roof and The Restaurant, all require a cab ride or private transportation.

The Dining Room. Located in the Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead. 3434 Peachtree Road. Continental cuisine in an elegant setting. 237-2700, x6348. \$\$\$

Nikolai's Roof. Located on the top of the Hilton Hotel and reached by a special elevator, this restaurant offers exceptional dining and a panoramic view of the Atlanta area. If the altitude is unsettling, try the chilled, flavored vodkas to settle your nerves. Russian and continental specialties are featured. The menu is limited and the price is fixed. Reservations are required and are often booked weeks in advance. 659-2000. \$\$\$

Hedgerose Heights. 490 E. Paces Ferry. Considered by some to be the best restaurant in Atlanta. French and continental cuisine as well as steaks and seafood dishes. Try the Norwegian salmon or the sauteed veal sirloin with chili hollandaise. 233-7673. \$\$\$

Pano's & Paul's. 1232 West Paces Ferry Rd. NE. Serving American and Continental cuisine in plush, comfortable surroundings. Was voted Atlanta's favorite restaurant for six years. 261-3662. \$\$\$

The Restaurant. Located in the Ritz-Carlton, Downtown. 181 Peachtree St. Continental cuisine in an intimate atmo-

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sphere. If you are remaining through Sunday and can still eat, try the brunch. 659-0400. \$\$\$.

103 West. 103 West Paces Ferry Road. A competitor with Hedgerose Heights for the accolade of the best restaurant in Atlanta. French and American cuisine is served in a luxurious setting with a pianist playing nightly. 262-3662. \$\$\$

Downtown—Walking Distance

Cafe de la Paix. Hilton Hotel. If you don't want to leave the hotel but the price of Nikolai's Roof is a bit steep, then this is a good alternative. Country French atmosphere and continental cuisine. 659-2000. \$\$

Dailey's. 17 International Blvd. Serves innovative American cuisine. The desserts are exceptional. Try the french fried ice cream. Located in a converted two-story warehouse and decorated with antiques. 681-3303. No reservations. \$\$

Morton's of Chicago. 245 Peachtree Center Ave. If you thought the meeting should have been in Chicago, then this is the place to eat. Great steaks and live Maine lobster. 577-4366. \$\$\$

Savannah Fish Company. Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel, Peachtree at International. Variety of fresh fish prepared to order. Oyster bar open daily. 589-7456. No reservations. \$\$

Short Cab Ride

City Grill. 50 Hurt Plaza, Suite 200. A newer establishment in an elegant setting near Five-points and Georgia State University. Continental cuisine, veal and prime rib, in elegant surroundings, a class joint. 524-2489. \$\$\$

The Mansion. 179 Ponce de Leon Ave. Situated in a refurbished Victorian mansion. Serves a varied menu in comfortable surroundings. This is one of the traditional convention dining spots in Atlanta. Try the chilled peach cream soup. 876-0727. \$\$\$

Mary Mac's Tea Room. 224 Ponce de Leon Ave. Another Atlanta institution. Down home southern food, reasonable prices and friendly service. 875-4337. No reservations. No credit cards. \$

Mick's Downtown. 557 Peachtree St. Owned by the "Peasant" group, offers a slightly more casual alternative to its neighbor, the Pleasant Peasant. A variety of grilled chickens and hamburgers as well as pasta dishes are featured. North line, Civic Center Station. No reservations. \$

The Pleasant Peasant. 555 Peachtree St. This was the first of the "Peasant" group of restaurants which includes Dailey's, the Country Place, and the uptown Peasant. The food at all of these restaurants is well prepared and reasonably priced. The menu is varied and often offers interesting choices. You cannot go wrong with this choice. 874-3223. North line, Civic Center Station. No reservations. \$\$

Taste of New Orleans. 889 West Peachtree. Don't be put off by the exterior, this is the best cajun restaurant in Atlanta and consistently shows up on '10 Best' lists of local restaurant critics. The remake of an old drive-in restaurant provides for an interesting and comfortable setting. If you leave without trying the Cajun velvet pie, then turn in your knife and fork. 874-5535. North line, Midtown Station. \$\$

A Touch of India. 962 Peachtree St. One of the better Indian restaurants. Specializes in Tandoori and a variety of curries. Vegetarian dishes featured. 876-7777. North line, Midtown Station. \$

The Varsity. 61 North Ave. Located across the interstate from Georgia Tech, hence the name, this is an institution of the 1950s which would not die. Indeed, it has thrived and is billed as the "largest drive-in in the United States." You cannot leave Atlanta without "greasing down" with hotdogs, burgers and fries at The Varsity. Go all the way, get the onion rings. No reservations. \$

Longer Cab Ride

Midtown Area

Coach and Six. 1776 Peachtree Road. A long time standard for business lunches and dinners. Classic American cuisine: prime steaks, lamb chops and fresh fish. One of the few places in Atlanta to get Stone Crab claws. The chocolate mousse

cake will cause seizures among those who have not built up a sufficient tolerance to chocolate. 872-6666. \$\$

Country Place. 1197 Peachtree Road. Located in the Colony Square Complex across Peachtree Road from the Arts Center. One of the "Peasant" group of restaurants. Creative American cuisine and good service. If you want to spend an afternoon at the High Museum of Art and finish with dinner, this would be the place. 881-0144. North line, Arts Center Station. No reservations. \$\$

Lenox-Buckhead

Bosco's Ristorante Italiano. 2293 Peachtree. Excellent northern Italian cuisine in a comfortable modern setting. 351-3600. \$\$

The Brass Key. 2355 Peachtree Rd., Peachtree Battle Shopping Center. American and continental cuisine, very good veal and seafood. This is an established restaurant with a reputation for consistent quality and good service. Oxford Bookstore, the largest in Atlanta, is located in the same shopping center. Its two stores deal both in new and used books. 233-3202. \$\$

Buckhead Diner. 3703 Piedmont Road. Trendy version of the old-fashioned diner. Varied menu, unique salads and sandwiches. If you want to mix with the Yuppies, this is a place to check out. 262-3336. No reservations. \$\$

Fish Market. 3393 Peachtree Road. Located in the lower level of Lenox Square Shopping Mall. This is a really good place for fresh seafood. Sit at the bar and eat oysters or take a table for lunch or dinner. The surroundings are exceptionally comfortable and relaxing. Try the bisque. If you want to do some shopping and include lunch or dinner, this would be an excellent choice. 262-3165. North line, Lenox Station. \$\$

La Grotta. 2637 Peachtree Road. Perhaps the place to go in Atlanta for northern Italian cuisine. Elegant setting overlooking a garden. 231-1368. \$\$

Peasant Uptown. 3500 Peachtree Road. Located on the second level of the Phipps Plaza which is across Peachtree Road from Lenox Square and adjacent to the Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead. Another of the "Peas-



ant" group of restaurants, with excellent American cuisine and pleasant ambiance. 261-6341. North line, Lenox Station. No reservations. \$\$

Trotters. 3215 Peachtree Road. A nonsense classic restaurant serving American cuisine: steaks and seafood. The quality is consistently good. Wood paneling and private booths make for a comfortable setting. 237-5988. \$\$

Decatur

Buck's. 116 E. Ponce de Leon. Just off the city square in Decatur, the county seat of Dekalb County which stretches to the east of downtown Atlanta. This is another of the "Peasant" group of restaurants but is more casual than its uptown cousins. American cuisine: steaks, chicken, pasta. A nice setting and good service. East line, Decatur Station. No reservations. \$

Claudette Restaurant Francais. 315 E. Ponce de Leon. Located a couple of blocks west of the square. Situated in a small building adjacent to a bank building, provides good French cuisine and the accompaniment of a strolling minstrel on Friday and Saturday nights. 378-9861. East line, Decatur Station. \$\$

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Morningside/Virginia Highlands

Blue Nile. 810 N. Highland. This is the place in Atlanta to go for Ethiopian food. 872-6483. \$

Camille's. 1186 N. Highland Ave. Friendly neighborhood restaurant serving pasta, pizza and Italian seafood dishes. 872-7203. \$

Manuel's Tavern. 602 N. Highland. Owned by the long-time head of the DeKalb County Commission, Manuel Maloof, this is a legendary hangout for local politicians and journalists. The closest thing you will find to a neighborhood bar in Atlanta. Standard pub fare of chili dogs and hamburgers and cold beer. Located within two blocks of the Carter Presidential Center, this is the place to eat when you visit the Center. Food at the Center is good but expensive. 269-9619. No reservations. \$

Murphy's. 1019 Los Angeles. Set in one of the gentrified areas of Atlanta this neighborhood cafe has a varied and interesting menu and an inviting atmosphere. With its own bakery the breads are excellent as are the desserts. 872-0918. No reservations. \$

Partners. 1399 N. Highland Ave. This is fine dining but can be a bit noisy. Pasta and light entrees are the featured dishes with creative use of seasonings. 875-0202. No reservations. \$\$

Tito's. 822 N. Highland Ave. Good Italian food, especially veal dishes. Can get pretty loud with weekend crowds. 874-8364. \$

Taco Mac. 1006 N. Highland Ave., NE. If you want to accompany your tour of this interesting neighborhood with a fun meal, this is the place. Fairly good chicken wings and a very wide selection of beer. 873-6592. No reservations. \$

Elsewhere

Ben Chau. 1821 Piedmont Rd., NE. An excellent Vietnamese restaurant. They presently do not have a liquor license but you can "brown bag" it. \$

Chef's Cafe. 2115 Piedmont Rd., NE. Don't be put off by the location in a La Quinta Motel, this is a good restaurant. American style food, good quality and service. 872-2284. \$

Gene and Gabe's. 1578 Piedmont Ave., NE. Located near Ansley Mall, reputedly President Carter's favorite restaurant. A well-established eatery with a cozy setting, good service and good food. 874-6145. \$\$

Harold's Barbeque. 171 McDonough Blvd., S. This is your chance to "flop a lip" over first-class southern barbeque. Located on the road to the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary, Harold's serves a varied clientele. 627-9268. No reservations or credit cards. \$

Marra's Seafood Grill. 1782 Cheshire Bridge Rd. Atlanta's first seafood grill. Wide selection of seafood, consistent quality and service. 874-7347. \$\$

King and I. 4058 Peachtree Rd. Located in the Windsor Station Center. Good Thai food in pleasant surroundings. Be sure to ask about specials for the day. 262-7985. North line, Brookwood Station. No reservations or credit cards. \$

Little Bucharest. 3200 Northlake Parkway. Located near the Northlake Mall, features Romanian cooking in a European atmosphere. Portions are more than ample. 934-9811. \$\$

The Thai Restaurant. 6065 Norcross Rd. This is a long way from the hotel but, if you want to experience excellent Thai cuisine, the trip is worth it. 938-3883. \$

A Final Note

If you want the expensive view of Atlanta without the price of a meal, then make a stop at the cocktail lounge which shares space and an elevator with Nikolai's Roof on top of the Hilton Hotel. Alternatively, there is a rotating bar on top of the Hyatt Hotel which also provides a panoramic view of the city.

Theodore Lowi Selected President-Elect

Theodore J. Lowi, Cornell University, was selected by the 1989 Nominating Committee to be President of APSA in 1990-91.