

Where To Eat And Drink In Lower Greenville

A neighborhood guide to all the spots you need to check out in Lower Greenville.

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Sometimes change can be a good thing, and no neighborhood knows this better than Lower Greenville. Once a bit of a rough-and-tumble neighborhood, it's turned its act around to become one of the premiere daytime and nighttime destinations in the city. Located just east of Highland Park, Lower Greenville is the antithesis of its bougie neighbor: It's unpretentious and fun, with enough bars and restaurants to keep you occupied all day (and night). If this sounds like your scene, scroll through for the best places to eat and drink in Lower Greenville.

Restaurants

Libertine Bar

One of the original spots to usher in the Lower Greenville renaissance, Libertine Bar is about as unassuming as they come. You walk in, thinking you're just going to a dive bar, and come out pleasantly surprised and satisfied because you just washed down some solid bacon mac and cheese with three different beers (because you couldn't decide on just one). Come here with a group so you can split a few different items and order more beer than you could feasibly drink on your own.

Rapscallion

Rapscallion bills itself as a southern restaurant but we're here to tell you: This isn't your grandma's traditional southern cooking. It's better. The dining area is intimate, but not cramped, so it's equally as good of a place to bring a date as it is your parents. And if you're a fan of oysters and craft cocktails, you'll be hard-pressed to find a better deal than Rapscallion's Happy Hour, which offers \$2 oysters and \$5 old-school cocktails.

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Sometimes you go out to eat at a certain restaurant not necessarily because the food is great, but because of some other added benefit, like potentially running into a Mavs player at a subpar steak house in Uptown. We're not here to judge, but we are here to tell you that with

HG SPLY CO., you won't have to choose. Not only is the food some of the best in the area, but if you can get a seat on their rooftop, you'll be treated to one of the best views of the Dallas skyline.

Velvet Taco

When it's 2 am and you're still out at a bar, chances are you're going to need some food to help curb the impending hangover you'll no doubt experience the next day. Enter Velvet Taco. They're open until 4 am on Friday and Saturday, but don't be fooled into thinking you're about to eat the taco equivalent of a Denny's breakfast plate. Velvet Taco's food is GOOD. You'll eventually want to come back and try everything but start out with the slow-roasted angus brisket, chicken & waffle, and a side of their elote corn. And if you're the sober one in the group, try a piece of their red velvet cake.

Pie Tap

Pie Tap offers some of the best pizza in the city, but what's less apparent is their outstanding brunch menu (available on weekends only). Bring a group of friends, split the cinnamon rolls and a breakfast pizza, and thank us later.

Company Café and Bar

The hit-or-miss, basic nature of Company Café's food would normally keep it off a 'best of' list. But we're including it here because there are no other restaurants in the area that accommodate gluten-free or other dietary preferences quite like Company. Plus, there are a few items on the menu that are done well, like the chicken fried steak or the stuffed French toast.

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Truck Yard

You've probably already heard of Truck Yard due to its funny marquee boards that frequently make the rounds online. This is a no-frills, laid-back place with a huge outdoor space and inexpensive drinks, so it's perfect for large groups when the weather is nice. While there are food options, we recommend you come to this place for drinks only.

Leela's Wine Café

Leela's is the only wine-specific bar in the area, with over 35 wines on tap, plus some lighter cocktails. It's a cute, bright spot that also serves some solid tapas. It's perfect for a date night or meeting up with a small group of friends.

ABV Establishment

Directly above Leela's Wine Café is their sister bar, ABV Establishment. It's almost the antithesis of its downstairs neighbor: dimly lit and sexy, with a menu consisting of some seriously strong cocktails. There's no food offered here, so it's best to come after you've already had dinner (unless you like to get sloppy on your dates).

The Whippersnapper

Sometimes you want to dance, but you don't want to pay \$14 for a vodka soda or be forced to listen to whatever new project Diplo is working on. For those times, head to The Whippersnapper. The drinks are good and cheap, and there's an intimate dance area with a DJ that always spins a solid mix of 80s, 90s, and 00s hits.