A Tasty To-Do List

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The Comeback

IF YOU'RE HEADED BACK TO THE UPSTATE THIS YEAR AND ARE INTERESTED IN CHECKING OUT A FEW NEW THINGS THAT ARE DELICIOUS, KEEP READING. WE'VE IDENTIFIED FIVE SPECIALTY SHOPS IN GREENVILLE THAT ARE FULL OF TASTE, CULTURE, AND CALORIES!

THE DONUT EXPERIMENT

You walk in and see hefty rings of sweetness rolling off a conveyor. These are fresh, made-to-order donuts. This is almost as good an idea as bacon. Each guest is greeted heartily and then handed an order form. We said made to order, remember? You choose your icing and topping and check it off, sort of like on a sushi menu. How fun is that! Hand over your order form and watch the magic happen.

Icing options include chocolate, caramel, maple, vanilla, and glaze. The topping selections include graham crackers, coconut, fruity pebbles, cinnamon sugar, and more. (Pictured left)

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*Mystery Egg. Ask for the Maple and Bacon Bit special.

METHODICAL COFFEE

Stepping into Methodical Coffee, you can't help feeling like you've arrived in a place steeped in coffee and steampunk—with a side of hip. It's elegantly decorated with portraits of Blue Boy, hand-laid tile, and 19th-century furniture. And it's all set to a soundtrack of the barista’s choice playing on a Hi-Fi turntable from the ‘80s. And we haven't even gotten to the coffee yet.

Enjoy a crisp Drip Coffee, a rich Pour Over, or if you're feeling scientific, a Siphon. Methodical not only roasts their own beans, they are the only local coffeehouse that contracts with five other independent roasters.

Not into coffee? Stop by anyway and have the Soda Jerk pull you a Craft Soda. You won't be disappointed.

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There's the Elvis Cake with Peanut Butter and Banana, the S'mores Cake, and Apple Pie à la Mode, to Name a Few.

The Spice and Tea Exchange

No need to travel on the Silk Road to find what you're looking for to create that special dish. Now you can find it at The Spice and Tea Exchange in Greenville.

Not only do they have your basic and hard-to-find spices, but they grind and create their own custom blends. Try the popular Tuscan Blend that's perfect for bread, chicken, vegetables, and fish. Steak lovers can go with the Espresso Steak Rub.

As for teas, special black tea blends like Earl Grey Crème and Blueberry Black keep customers coming back week after week.

Don't forget the salt—an ancient spice with a new twist. Popular blends include smoked varieties like Hickory, Alderwood, Chipotle, and Chardonnay, rumored to be flavorful but tipsy on chicken and fish.

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Palmetto Olive Oil Company

You've probably been to a wine tasting or craft beer tasting. But have you been to an olive oil tasting? Pull into Palmetto Olive Oil Company and prepare your palate for a mild or robust experience.

Specializing in Certified Ultra Premium Olive Oil, P.O.O.C. is the only shop of its kind in the Upstate and was the first in South Carolina. Capitalizing on the popular health benefits of olive oil, the shop offers a range of olive oils and balsamic vinegars.

Popular blended selections include Tuscan Herb and Rosemary Dill. For salads, try the Eureka Lemon and the Persian Lime.

Olive oils are harvested two times a year, once in the Northern Hemisphere and again in the Southern Hemisphere. But you can stop in anytime and enjoy whatever is on tap!

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Funneldelicious

Just when you thought the only place to get a delicious funnel cake was at the County Fair or an "upscale" Flea Market, little Greenville comes up with Funneldelicious.

Now some of the places mentioned in this article would consider on the fancy. This little gem holds its own as a purveyor of deep fried dough. And its amenities deliver on that premise.

You want a straight up funnel cake? This is the place. You want to step out on the funnel cake limb? Go for it! Their signature menu items make it easy. There's the Elvis Cake with peanut butter and banana, the S'mores Cake, and Apple Pie à la Mode, to name a few.

Being across from the baseball field, it only makes sense that Funneldelicious also offers hot dogs, corn dogs, fries, and, of course, coconut water smoothies!

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