

Food and More

with John Kessler

Georgia well represented in 'Best Places to Drink in the South' list

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Miles MacQuarrie at Leon's Full Service (AJC Staff)

This month, [Imbibe Magazine](#) released its Southern issue featuring "[The 100 Best Places to Drink in the South.](#)" Georgia had a strong showing on the list. Here are our local watering holes that were recognized (those not in Atlanta noted):

Best Whisky Offerings:

- Local Three

Best Classic Cocktails:

- H. Harper Station
- The Sound Table

Best Contemporary Cocktails:

- JCT
- Leon's Full Service
- Restaurant Eugene
- Sauced

Off the Beaten Path:

- One Flew South (Atlanta Airport)
- Sagehouse Coffee & Tea (Griffin)

Best Hotel Bars:

- Drinkshop

Best Bar Food:

- ★ • Holeman & Finch Public House
- Ormsby's
- Five & Ten (Athens)

Best Wine List:

- Miller Union
- Muss & Turner's
- Elizabeth on 37th (Savannah)

Best Suds:

- The Brick Store Pub
- Porter Beer Bar
- Young Augustine's
- The Distillery (Savannah)
- Trapeze Pub (Athens)

Best Places to Get Caffeinated:

- Dancing Goats Espresso Bar
- Octane

Southern Breweries:

- Sweetwater Brewing
- Terrapin Beer Company (Athens)

Mint Julep:

- Elizabeth on 37th (Savannah)

The full list of 100 places recognized can be found in the March issue of [Imbibe Magazine](#) (or see a [sneak peek on their website](#)). The issue is a great read with an article on all things bourbon (history, styles, glossary, gear and guide to visiting distilleries), Southern cocktail and bar snack recipes (including one from **Virginia Willis** for pickled okra) and even an article by **John Kessler** on our Southern soda culture. Two Atlantans, **Kelli Thorne** from **Empire State South** and **Tim Faulkner** from **Sauced** and **H&F Bottle Shop**, also contributed cocktail recipes. I picked up a copy today and had trouble putting it down long enough to compile this list.

Are your favorites on the list?

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