

East Tennessee Eats' Top 10 in Johnson City

- Bella Vita You know it's going to be good when you walk in and the smell of garlic slaps you in the face. I highly recommend the lasagna or manicotti.
- 2. <u>Spanquis</u> You might have to wait awhile for your meal, but trust me, it's worth it. Make sure to get their plantains, and my favorite dish is on their secret menu and only available sometimes: the Mathis Bowl.
- 3. <u>Watauga Brewing Co.</u> Brunch with friends? Try Watauga's rooftop. Their Sunday brunch menu and mimosas never miss when combined with that stellar view of downtown JC.
- 4. <u>Rocks Wood Fired Pizza</u> Want to eat outside without fear of sunburn or rain? Rocks has my favorite patio, and their Philly cheesesteaks and pizzas are amazing.
- 5. <u>Vegan Town</u> Eat your colors! Vegan town offers an amazing smoothie bowl and other healthy or dietary-conscious options.
- 6. <u>Open Doors Coffeehouse</u> Very comfortable environment. Their food is always good, and my drink order is always an Open Doors Mocha hot, iced or frozen, you can't go wrong.
- 7. <u>Mad Greek</u> Great entrées and hands down the best cake I've ever eaten in my life. They have a whole desert case, and it's honestly beautiful. My favorite is the cherry almond cake, and the slices are huge!
- 8. <u>Sí Señor Mexican Grill</u> This one easily became my new favorite Mexican restaurant. You might need 30 minutes to read their long menu, but I can't imagine anything not being good.
- 9. **Sahib Indian Cuisine** All you can eat Indian food lunch on weekdays? Say no more. I love sampling a little bit of everything at Sahib, especially when I want a big, filling meal to get me through the day.
 - 10. <u>Cootie Brown's</u> I will never stop singing praises of the Caribbean Pizza. It's the weirdest, best combination of flavors. I also love their huge salads.