

The Best of Whitefish

Our favorite eats, shopping, and things to do in Whitefish!

Welcome!

We have put together this "Best of Whitefish" flyer to help you plan activities and meals while visiting our corner of Montana. Included are our personal recommendations for restaurants, activities, and shopping in the Whitefish area. We want your visit to Glacier Country to be memorable, as well as relaxing and enjoyable. If you have any questions, let us know – we will be happy to assist you!

Dining

Breakfast & Lunch

Buffalo Café – A family run, local favorite since 1979. The Buffalo Café is best known for their hearty, madefrom-scratch meals, and hometown atmosphere. The Buffalo provides a "good old-fashioned breakfast experience." The weekend breakfast is particularly popular, so arrive early to avoid a long wait. 514 E. 3rd St.

buffalocafewhitefish.com

Loula's Café – A cozy, family run café offering scrumptious breakfast, lunch, and exceptional homemade pies. Dishes are made using fresh, local products, farm-to-market pork, and hormone/antibiotic free Montana beef.

300 E. 2nd St.

www.whitefishrestaurant.com



"I love breakfast and Loula's is the best place to go for it! Order a slice of their famous pie to go and take it picnicking at one of Whitefish Lake's beaches."

-Jeanine

Swift Creek Café – Family run restaurant with extensive knowledge in culinary cuisine and coffee. Portions of their menu rotate with the season. You'll also find house-made breads, preserves, and jams. 307 E. 2nd St.

www.swiftcreekcafe.com

Amazing Crepes – Cozy downtown shop offering madefrom-scratch sweet and savory crepes, locally roasted coffee, and seasonal soups and salads.

123 Central Ave.

amazingcrepes.com

Snacks, Coffee, & Sweet Treats

Wild Coffee – Locally owned and operated coffee shop, offering fresh brews, espresso drinks, a pour over station, and a variety of biscuit breakfast sandwiches and other tasty treats. Perfect for a quick, on-the-go breakfast or those wanting something on the lighter side to fuel up. 309 Central Ave.

www.wildcoffeecompanymt.com

Fleur Bake Shop – Small batch bake shop with a focus on high quality and local ingredients. Fleur offers French-style pastries, specialty cakes, breads, and other rotating treats. They also have an espresso bar, serving Montana-made coffee and teas.

103 Central Ave.

www.fleurbakeshop.com

"Fleur has the most delicious sweet treats and is a must-visit for anyone passing through Whitefish."

-Christina



Folklore Coffee – Folklore Coffee strives to provide high end coffee and a space where friends and family can gather. Locals and travelers are welcomed in to share their love of coffee.

403 2nd St. E Ste. 104

www.folklorecoffeewf.com

Montana Coffee Traders – A longtime local favorite, offering great coffee, easy breakfast items, and numerous sandwiches and salads for lunch. They also carry a variety of gifts perfect for a souvenir, and they're connected to The Toggery (see more info in the shopping section). If your travels take you to Glacier Park, visit their Columbia Falls location for a breakfast-on-the-go to fuel your adventures!

110 Central Ave.

coffeetraders.com/pages/downtown-whitefish

Huck's Place 406 – Brewing up IIIy coffee beans, sourced from Italy, along with Italian gelato, organic fresh juices, smoothies, and light breakfast eats. They even offer their own fresh ginger brew. They also carry a variety of unique products great for gifting. *129 Central Ave.*

www.hucksplace406.com

Sweet Peaks – Offering artisan ice cream and sorbet hand-crafted from locally sourced ingredients. Flavors range from classics, like huckleberry and salty caramel, to more esoteric, seasonal flavors like London fog. Dairy and gluten free options available. If you like ice cream, a visit here is a must!

419 ½ 3rd St.

www.sweetpeaksicecream.com

"They have fun spins on ice cream year-round!"



– Aimee

Afternoon Drinks & Eats

Montana Tap House – If you like beer and want to sample craft brews from Montana and beyond, look no further than the Montana Tap House. In addition to beer, cider, and seltzers on tap, they serve a variety of tasty pizzas and have an outdoor seating area with games. 845 Wisconsin Ave.

www.montanatap.com



"Boasting more than 50 unique taps, there is sure to be something for everyone – and the pizza is good too!" – Joe

Blackstar Brew Pub – Blackstar is a neighborhood hangout, featuring on-site brewed Jeremiah Johnson beer, along with a food menu that includes the local favorite smash burger. They also carry a variety of healthy bites, wines, and ciders.

2 Central Ave.

www.blackstarmt.com

Bonsai Brewing Project – Family-friendly brewery with an extensive outdoor seating area. Serving high-quality, small batch ales with a focus on hopped IPAs, barrelaged sours, and strong, creative beers. They also have a kitchen that serves up seasonally-focused comfort food.

549 Wisconsin Ave.

bonsaibrew.com

Dinner

Abruzzo Italian Kitchen – Italian cuisine focusing on high-quality ingredients, offering wood-fired pizzas and a variety of shareable plates with an outdoor patio for dining on warm summer nights. Staff favorites include the wild boar ragu and lasagna.

115 Central Ave.

www.abruzzoitaliankitchen.com



"Their fresh, homemade pasta and large selection of hand-crafted cocktails provides for a great dining experience any time."

- Zach

Great Northern Bar & Grill – A true Montana experience! Opened in 1919, this classic bar hung with vintage signs offers live music, tasty bar food, pool tables, and a summer deck, while sports fans can catch the game on one of many TVs.

27 Central Ave.

www.greatnorthernbar.com

Wasabi Sushi Bar – Wasabi offers fun and creative sushi rolls, delicious appetizers, and plenty of options for those who prefer their fish cooked. Some office favorites include the Going-To-The-Sun roll and Goonie Roll. Regularly voted the #1 sushi spot in the Flathead Valley and Whitefish, we recommend reservations! *419 E 2nd St.*

www.wasabimt.com

Tupelo Grille – Specializing in authentic Cajun and Southern cuisine, fresh seafood, steaks, and pasta. Their shrimp & grits and elk meatloaf are among staff favorites.

17 Central Ave. www.tupelogrille.com



"Tupelo Grille is incredible! Amazing atmosphere, fantastic food, and the bread pudding is absolutely unforgettable!"

- Ben

Whitefish Lake Restaurant at The Whitefish Lake Golf Course – Our local golf course restaurant is superb! Known for their choice cuts of beef and topnotch seafood selections for dinner, along with one of the most extensive wine lists in town. Visit the first-come-first-serve deck and lounge for a cocktail and casual dining experience after a day of golfing, or make a reservation for the full-service dining room.

1200 Hwy. 93 North

www.whitefishlakerestaurant.com

Please Note: Whitefish is a resort destination and we strongly recommend reservations for most of these dining options.

Jalisco Cantina – Jalisco offers a menu of authentic, fresh, scratch-made food from the Jalisco region in central-coastal Mexico. For tequila fans, Jalisco boasts over 100 types of tequila, with flights available. They've got a great outdoor patio and numerous seating options to accommodate parties of all sizes.

510 Wisconsin Ave.

www.thejaliscocantina.com/whitefish



"The tacos, margaritas, and guacamole are delicious, and it has a very fun ambiance."

– Claire

Jersey Boys Pizza – Craving a seriously big slice after exploring everything Whitefish has to offer? Jersey Boys is famous for their oversized, New York–style pizza that's perfect for sharing (or tackling solo if you're brave). Located just outside of downtown, it's a laid-back spot to refuel with fresh ingredients, cold drinks, and a fun atmosphere that keeps both locals and visitors coming back.

6155 U.S. 93 South www.jerseyboyswhitefish.com/



"Their pizza-by-the-slice deal is the best in the valley, but if you need a full pie, be sure to plan ahead because they are always full of eager customers!"

- Dillon

Shopping

Trovare – If you are a culinary adventurer, this is the place for you. With gourmet foods, quality kitchen tools, and oils and vinegars infused in Montana, there's something for every aspiring chef.

317 Central Ave. #102 www.trovaremt.com

"They have an amazing selection of high-quality brands, gourmet ingredients, & instructive cooking classes."

Kaylee

The Toggery – Family-owned store where you can stock up on stylish and functional outdoor footwear and clothing to outfit you for any Montana adventure. They also offer a range of souvenirs and gifts.

122 Central Ave.

www.toggerymontana.com

The Montana Scene – Great spot to stop for gifts, with a wide variety of Montana-themed products. Whether you want a cozy sweatshirt, travel mug, or jewelry, you'll surely find something to satisfy your souvenir needs.

148 Central Ave

www.themontanascene.com



"A fun gift shop with witty Montana offerings."

– Kayla

Sage and Cedar – Gifts to pamper friends and family, or treat yourself! They carry a variety of healthy bath and skin care products inspired by Montana's natural beauty. *214 Central Ave.*

sageandcedar.com

Lakestream Fly Shop – Full service fly shop for all your Flathead Valley fishing needs! Guides are available if you are looking for assistance in landing some lunkers. 669 Spokane Ave.

www.lakestreamflyshop.com



"They carry an excellent selection of flies and specialized gear for traipsing through the riparian habitats of our lakes, streams, and rivers."

- Annell

Imagination Station – A unique store for toys, puzzles, books, and games for kids of all ages. The perfect stop when looking for gifts for the kids in your life. *221 Central Ave.*

montanatoys.com

Whitefish Gift & Gear – Find the perfect souvenir or gift at this store. They have huckleberry flavored jams and other locally made products.

229 Central Ave.

Things to Do

City Beach – This is where we love to go with friends, family, and visitors alike. With incredible views and gorgeous sunsets, you can kick back and relax with a good book or rent a paddle board and cruise around to your heart's content. Our office has an annual tradition of meeting at City Beach on a Friday morning in August for a sunrise kayak paddle to honor a friend and colleague. We find the gorgeous views and peaceful quiet are worth the early wake-up call!

Whitefish Lake Golf Club – Enjoy a premier golfing experience at our beautiful location in Whitefish, Montana. Featuring two stunning courses –North and South– along with lessons, tournaments, simulators, and a full-service restaurant, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

golfwhitefish.com

Whitefish Trail Systems – With 47 miles of multi-use trail and 15 trailheads easily accessible from town, this is one of the best ways to get the outdoor experience and enjoy the beauty of the area. We believe so strongly in this community project our office even adopted part of the trail in 2022 and volunteers to perform trail maintenance regularly.

www.whitefishlegacy.org/maps-conditions



"Whitefish is about the overall experience, not one single place. I love anything outdoors and the view of the mountain is breathtaking!" — Shawna

Whitefish Downtown Farmers Market – Enjoy the bounty of summer from late May to September at the Farmers Market, where local farmers and craftsmen showcase their products at the north end of Central Avenue. Live music, food trucks, fresh produce, baked goods, crafts, and the best people watching in town! Tuesdays from 5:00-7:30 PM (see website for dates) North end of Central Ave. at Depot Park whitefishfarmersmarket.org

O'Shaughnessy Center – Dance classes and recitals, art and antique shows, slide shows, speakers, public forums, and school and chamber events are just a few of the activities held here. The Whitefish Theatre Company continually seeks new ways to reach out to the community. *1 Central Ave*.

<u>explorewhitefish.com/entries/oshaughnessy-</u> <u>center/43a998e4-ea69-4010-b7dd-4beb8f79813e</u>



The O'Shaughnessy Center is a great place to enjoy a wide variety of events. There's always something there that is both culturally enriching and enjoyable to watch! — Andrew

Whitefish Mountain Resort – While the mountain is nationally recognized for its winter skiing, the summer season brings a unique opportunity for the whole family to experience the outdoors. With gondola rides, alpine slides, zip lines, and the Aerial Adventure Park (an "obstacle course" in the trees), there's something for everybody! For a workout, you can also mountain bike or hike up the mountain. We encourage you to visit the Whitefish Mountain Resort website for details on cost, tickets, and times for all available activities.

skiwhitefish.com

Love Yoga – Love Yoga is in the heart of downtown and offers a variety of classes for anyone seeking a solid workout or a little extra Zen throughout the day. They also host fun workshops from time to time and offer a curated selection of apparel and other unique goods. What's not to Love?

309 Central Ave. #201

www.loveyogamontana.com/



Both peaceful and energizing, Love Yoga is my favorite way to start the day. The instructors are amazing, and there's a class for every mood!

— Katie

Additional Information

Whitefish Chamber of Commerce: www.whitefishchamber.org 406-862-3501

Whitefish Visitors Bureau:

www.explorewhitefish.com
877-862-3548

Whitefish Travel Guide: www.explorewhitefish.com/guide

