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## Introduction

What is your favorite eatery, for breakfast, lunch, or dinner, inside and/or outside of Montgomery? What makes that your choice? Studies show, people choose their favorite restaurant for a variety of reasons.

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Russell Speiller inside Montgomery

April 29, 2011, 10:57 AM

While my family and I frequent several Montgomery restaurants such as Noce's (awesome) pizza, The European Cafe, and Pomodori's, our two FAVORITE places to eat at are Take the Cake and The Corner Coffee Shop.

Both of these eateries are small, casual, mom-and-pop (non-chain) places with pleasant atmospheres and really good, fresh, unique food.

Take the Cake is located in Northside. The place started as a bakery, offering cupcakes, cookies, and other desserts unmatched in taste anywhere. They later expanded to offer lunch and weekend brunch with a daily menu that literally changes every day. The staff are friendly and know their regulars. The prices are extremely fair. People who frequent the place include singles, families, and work groups. They source and cook local food ingredients.

The Corner Coffee Cafe is located near the corner of Remington and Loveland-Madiera road. The husband and wife who run the place know their regulars well and are extremely nice to everyone who comes in. The atmosphere and decor is very quaint, the food is reasonably priced, fresh, and tasty. Ironically, they offer cupcakes from Take the Cake for purchase.

If the Starbucks in downtown Montgomery does close, bringing in a Take the Cake or Corner Coffee Cafe type establishment would definitely bring my family out to the heritage district even more frequently.

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Raymond Miller inside Montgomery

April 26, 2011, 8:52 AM

We are pretty lucky to have a solid diverse range of local eateries in Montgomery and the immediate surroundings. Jan's Chinese is one of the best Chinese places in the region, although the local is almost invisible. Kanak and Bombay Brazier are great options for Indian. We love Mei for an incredible Japanese experience and for more casual Noce's pizza put's most to shame.

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April 25, 2011, 3:19 PM

I like Through the Garden on Kenwood road at the corner of Creek, in Blue Ash. Locally owned, and the owner is usually right there watching over things and helping to serve. I recommend the Amber Bock beer on draft. It is a good value. My son and I also enjoyed sitting outside at European Cafe for a Saturday morning greek omelet last summer.

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April 25, 2011, 10:48 AM

When we make have time for an evening out by ourselves or with friends, our absolute favorite, never-a-regret restaurant is Germano's. We have a special connection with Germano's (as it was the location of our first date many years ago!). But, we don't go there just to be sentimental... We have never encountered any other restaurant where EVERY evening is guaranteed to yield delicious, top quality Italian food as well as a spectacular, personal service and connection. And, we mean EVERY trip.

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Each of the aforementioned 'why people choose a restaurant' factors obviously matter. What's missing, though, is accounting for the likes of Domenico Germano (the owner and executive chef), an appreciation for the involvement of his family (e.g., his wife prepared our last dessert sampler), and the obvious care, concern, and passion he infuses into his team. Quality, fair prices for what you get, cleanliness, etc. obviously matter. But, enjoying a meal with people you care about and NEVER having to worry whether everyone will enjoy the experience in every regard is a really amazing success story and tribute to Domenico and his staff.

We obviously don't go to Germano's for every night out (though we always think about it). But, every time we venture out there is always something that reminds us that 'we should have gone to Germano's'.... Everyone's tastes are different, but if you haven't been, we would encourage you to enjoy an evening with them. If you have been once or twice, we would encourage you to frequent Germano's just a little bit more to get a feel for the level of consistency we've mentioned. While you're there, be personable with the staff, and they will certainly be personable (and still extremely professional) with you. Also, take the opportunity to chat with Domenico if possible. We try not to keep him from his work, but we love hearing him talk about the restaurant, the food, the wine, his past, etc.--always makes us feel right at home!

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April 23, 2011, 4:09 PM

We like the European Cafe and Neon Lights. Both are within walking distance for our family and kids, and they offer a good choice of items. I especially like being able to eat outdoors at the European Cafe. Outside of Montgomery we enjoy Outback.

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April 23, 2011, 12:30 PM

Bombay Brazier is our new favorite restaurant in Montgomery! The food is really spectacular and a cut above the Indian food you can usually find elsewhere in the midwest. It's unfortunately not in the best location (two previous restaurants have failed in the same spot -- behind Ute's on Cooper -- and both were good restaurants) so we're trying to tell everyone we know to check out Bombay.

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April 23, 2011, 11:50 AM

Our family really enjoys Pomodori's in downtown Montgomery. My husband and I really like having Kanak India so close. For drinks with friends we love the half price drafts at Stone Creek on Tuesdays.

Outside of Montgomery our family really enjoys Blue Ash Chili and Toot's for the value and the "loud atmosphere" to mask our little ones. We would love to have something along these lines in Montgomery so our family could dine out (other than pizza).

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April 22, 2011, 10:56 AM

I enjoy many of the restaurants in Montgomery but two I enjoy the most are Noces for their pizza and

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garlic knots and European café if I want something a little different. With my budget being stretched more each day, both of these restaurants offer a good value and are unique.

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