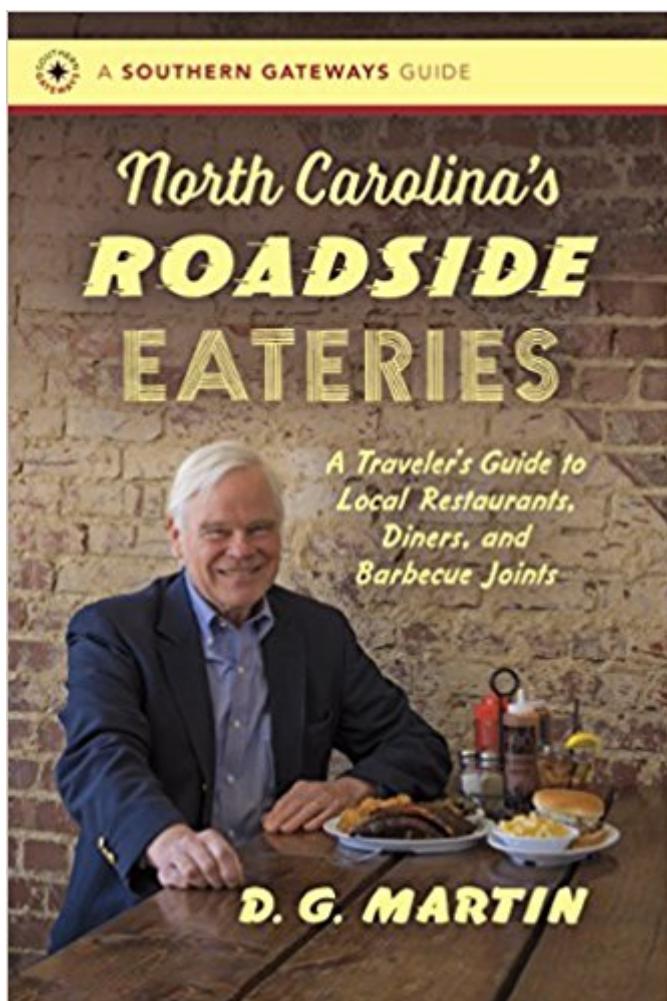


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# North Carolinaâ€™s Roadside Eateries: A Travelerâ€™s Guide To Local Restaurants, Diners, And Barbecue Joints (Southern Gateways Guides)





## **Synopsis**

Want to eat like the locals? D. G. Martin has spent years traveling the major roadways of North Carolina, on the lookout for community, local history, and, of course, a good home-cooked meal. Here D. G. is your personal tour guide to more than 100 notable local roadway haunts that serve not only as places to eat but also as fixtures of their communities.\*Features locally owned and time-tested community favorites\*Covers a range of food tastes from BBQ joints and country kitchens to Mexican restaurants and Greek diners\*Introduces diners to the restaurant owners and locals who make these places unique\*Includes current contact information, hours, directions\*Features nearby points of interest to explore after eatingThis handy reference to good food just off North Carolina's interstates should find a spot in every Tar Heel traveler's glove compartment.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Invites readers to join D.G. in the statewide search for that welcoming feeling that only locally owned restaurants can provide.--Chapel Hill MagazineMartin guides readers to more than 100 local eateries that exist just off the state's major roadways, ranging from BBQ joints to country kitchens.--Winston-Salem MonthlyMay make sure the money you spend on a meal on the road is money well spent. . . . My napkin is off to such dedicated eaters/writers as Martin, fearlessly going into uncharted culinary waters so that we, the interstate travelers, might find succulent sustenance."â "O.C. Stonestreet, Statesville Record & Landmark[Martin's] book makes the perfect

Christmas gift for friends and family. Pick up an extra copy to keep in your car. You never know when you'll need a down-home meal.--Talking About PoliticsMartin has done his homework.--Ben Steelman, *Wilmington Star-News*From barbecue to Greek, chances are that you'll find your favorite restaurant here--and more than a few to discover. Published in a nice format and size to put in the glove box for the seasoned and unseasoned traveler.--Mountain TimesThis book can be your personal, portable tour guide to our state's most iconic eateries--you'll want to keep this one in your car.--Carolina Mountain LifeMartin wants . . . us to take his guide and have our own adventures. . . . He encourages readers to go a little out of their way to be greeted like an old friend at one of these places even if it's your first visit.--Bridgette Lacy, *News & Observer*Has a permanent home in my husband's glove department. He reaches for it every time he gets hungry while driving along a major highway.--Taste 2017 Food Guide

I love North Carolina's Roadside Eateries and keep it handy in my glove compartment. It includes nearly all the great barbecue places near interstates, as well as some wonderful meat-and-threes and country buffets should you tire of 'cue--unlikely as it may seem.--John Shelton Reed, co-author of *Holy Smoke: The Big Book of North Carolina Barbecue*My husband Hal and I rely on D. G.'s guidance to find good places to eat, ones off the beaten track where we can meet local characters like the ones I love to put in my books.--Lee Smith, author of *Dimestore: A Writer's Life*I really like the way D. G. has organized this guide to make it a handy reference for travelers along the big highways. He and I enjoy the same kinds of restaurants, ones where the food is good and a stranger gets a warm welcome.--Bob Garner, television host and author of *North Carolina Barbecue: Flavored by Time*I've had the good fortune to have D. G. as my personal guide to some of the fine eateries in this book. I'm grateful to him for introducing me not only to so many memorable meals but also to the many fine local people and places that I've come to treasure.--Charles Frazier, author of *Cold Mountain*

Given the turnover in the restaurant industry, you might ask why you want a book of restaurants that were in business when this book was written/published. The reason would probably be that these restaurants are pillars in their culinary communities. We just got the book a few weeks ago, but the first couple we tried have been really good! I like the way the book is organized by interstate/route so you can track the dining establishments along your road trips. The only thing that could make that indexing better is if it was broken up by parts of the state (for instance, I-85 is a long road!).

I have thoroughly enjoyed reading this book. What a wonderful collection of stories about food and kinships formed around tables. I am reminded of the goodness in our neighbors as I read; the author is wonderful at drawing people out and finding the real "meat" of the story (haha). It's just a bonus that my family and I also now have a list of places to investigate when we travel.

An Enjoyable book as a read, and an excellent guidebook to small, local, non chain places to eat in NC. His directions, and his suggestions of a few things to do or see near most of the restaurants, made the book even better. I've bought two others to give as birthday gifts, along with a card inviting the receiver to pick one of the restaurants and be treated to a meal there. I highly recommend this book.

I bought this book primarily because I've known D.G. Martin since we were neighbors in Charlotte, NC in the 1970s. I was pleased to find that the book was an excellent guide to old-fashioned restaurants...many of which I knew...that remain a staple in North Carolina. This is a very good book and bought copies for each of my (now adult) children.

I keep it in the glove compartment of my car. A wonderful way to find easy-access restaurants of local quality.

A fun read. Looking forward to trying some of these places.

Very good especially since he named restaurants that I already knew were good.

Great book can not wait to follow the roads & taste the cuisine!

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