

BEST BARBECUE

1. **Papa's Soul Food Kitchen** 400 Blair Blvd. 541-342-7500. papassoulfoodkitchen.com.
2. **Bill & Tim's Barbeque** 201 E. 13th Ave. 541-654-0578. westrauntconcepts.com.
3. **Hole in the Wall** 200 W. 11th Ave. 541-683-7378; 1807 Olympic St., Spfd. 541-726-1200. holeinthewallbbq.com.

BEST COMFORT FOOD

1. **Papa's Soul Food Kitchen** 400 Blair Blvd. 541-342-7500. papassoulfoodkitchen.com.
2. **Cornbread Cafe** 1290 W. 7th Ave. 541-505-9175. cornbreadcafe.com.
3. **Cornucopia** 295 W. 17th Ave. 541-485-2300; 207 E. 5th Ave. 541-485-2300. cornucopiaeugene.com.

BEST GRUB UNDER \$8

1. **Café Yumm Eugene**: 730 E. Broadway. 541-344-9866; 1801 Willamette St. 541-686-9866; 130 Oakway Center. 541-465-9866; 1005 Green Acres Rd. 541-684-9866. Springfield: 3340 Gateway St., 541-747-9866. Corvallis: 2001 N.W. Monroe Ave. cafeyum.com.
2. **El Super Burrito** 2566 Willamette St. 541-485-0619. elsupereugene.com.
3. **Burrito Boy** 510 E. Broadway. 541-344-8070. burritoboy.com.

For less than eight bucks, it doesn't get any better for Eugene residents than eating a quick meal at one of myriad **Café Yumm** locations. Café Yumm offers a number of healthy bowls, wraps, bentos (Japanese-style lunch boxes usually served with rice and vegetables), sandwiches, soups and salads.

Café Yumm caters not only to the price-conscious diner but to the health-minded as well, mixing in avocados, organic beans, salsa and greens with chicken, tempeh or tofu. Let's be real here, though: Café Yumm's primary draw is its Yumm sauce, an addicting mix of garbanzo and soy beans, lemon juice, garlic and basil — sort of a creamy, tangy hummus that true disciples can buy in separate bottles to bring home. Café Yumm's Yumm bowls and Yumm sauce have been local favorites since 1993, and judging by the many Yelp adherents, crowded restaurants and EW staff who have addictions to it, it isn't going to slow down anytime soon. — *Matthew Denis*

BEST MEAL OVER \$25

1. **Marché Restaurant** 296 E. 5th Ave. 541-342-3612. marcherestaurant.com.
2. **Mame** 541 Blair Blvd. 541-654-4378.
3. **Cafe Soriah** 384 W. 13th Ave. 541-342-4410. cafesoriah.com.

BEST TACO

1. **Tacovore** 530 Blair Blvd. 541-735-3518. tacovorepnw.com.
2. **Belly Taqueria** (now closed)
3. **Burrito Boy Eugene**: 510 E. Broadway; 2511 W. 11th Ave.; 1060 River Rd.; 30 W. 10th Ave.; 1840 Chambers St. Spfd.: 1889 Olympic St. burritoboy.com.

Call them Pacific Northwest tacos. If you are looking for a "real" Mexican taco, then **Tacovore's** Tex-Mex with a PNW spin may not be for you. That's fine, taco purists, because there's more for us. Even the plainest-sounding taco on the menu, the \$3 bean and cheese, makes your taste buds sing, featuring coconut-braised organic Oregon black beans with queso Oaxaca, pickled onion and cilantro. And Tacovore earned our respect when it shut its doors on the national Day Without Immigrants this past February, calling attention to the importance of immigrants in our community — and in making Tacovore's handmade tortillas. — *Camilla Mortensen*

BEST OF EUGENE

BEST COCKTAILS

1. **Izakaya Meiji** 345 Van Buren St. 531-505-8804. izakayameiji.com.
2. **Rye** 444 E. 3rd Ave. 541-653-8509. ryeon3rd.com.
3. **The Vintage** 837 Lincoln St. 541-349-9181. thevintageeugene.com.

Meiji has seasonal cocktails with anything from rum to gin, but let's face it: Some of us are in it for the whiskey. And **Izakaya Meiji** does whiskey (and whisky) right. For those of you new to the spirit, a mint julep adds just enough sweetness to soften the bite. For those of us whose palates yearn for whiskey's oaky warmth, you can order your drink neat or go with my favorite, a whiskey ginger. — *Camilla Mortensen*

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