

Unforgettable Five

Atlantans love these long-established, popular spots and it's easy to see why.

—SARAH GLEIM



It seems like East Andrews and **ANDREWS UPSTAIRS** have been around forever. And let's be serious, they have. But just last month, Andrews Upstairs was completely transformed into **8 TRAXX DISCO**, bringing the funk back to Buckhead. The spot includes a larger dance floor, 4-foot lava lamps and, of course, a disco ball, plus dancing Wednesday through Saturday nights. Weekly events include Groove Thursdays, Yacht Rock Revue Fridays and Saturday Night Fever. Just don't forget your bellbottoms and platform shoes. 56 E. Andrews, Suite 10, 404.869.1132 or andrews-upstairs.com.



There are a few sushi masters in Atlanta, and Taka Moriuchi is one of them. After training under famed Atlanta sushi chef Sotohiro Kosugi, Moriuchi branched off in 1992 to open **TAKA SUSHI CAFÉ**, where he still works behind a small sushi bar adding his own modern twist to traditional Japanese sashimi. But it's his sushi rolls—think the Diet Coke and CNN—that are always faves. 385 Pharr Road, 404.869.2802 or takasushiatlanta.com.

It's been 15 years since owners Susan DeRose and Richard Lewis opened the popular **BLUE RIDGE GRILL**. The cozy lodge-style space features soaring timbers, a massive stone fireplace, rustic log walls and cozy red leather booths, all in an attempt to whisk diners away to the relaxing appeal of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Of course, it's the cuisine that's kept Atlantans going back all these years, and the grilled Georgia trout, iron skillet-seared mussels and hickory-grilled rib eye are among the restaurant's signature dishes. 1261 W. Paces Ferry Road, 404.233.5030 or blueridgegrill.com.



It's hard to believe there's a boutique that's survived Atlanta fashion for nearly 23 years, but then not every boutique is **SANDPIPER**. It's the contemporary shop owned by Melissa Murdock that has stocked trendy lines from designers like Tibi, Splendid, Nanette Lepore, Milly, DVF, J Brand and Rebecca Taylor since 1987. But one thing that's always set Sandpiper apart from others is Murdock sets the trends instead of following them, and that's why Sandpiper has survived all these years. 4300 Paces Ferry Road, Vinings, 770.433.2989; 227 Sandy Springs Place, 404.255.7878 or shopsandpiper.com.



We can think of several reasons why **HENRI'S BAKERY** has been a staple in Buckhead for more than 80 years—the breads, cakes, pastries, Danishes, pies, croissants, cookies, doughnuts, etc. But the award-winning bakery is also one of Atlanta's best spots to dine on deli sandwiches. Whether it's a roast beef on rye, chicken salad on sourdough or turkey on whole wheat, you can get it here and know it's going to taste great. 61 Irby Ave., 404.237.0202 or henrisbakery.com.

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