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FRESH BITES

What's New & Noteworthy in Food

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SCOOP, THERE IT IS!

Keep cool on the BeltLine with these local frozen treats



Summer is in full swing, but don't let the heat keep you home. The Eastside trail of the Atlanta BeltLine connects Piedmont Park to Old Fourth Ward and is especially beautiful this time of year. If the thought of hitting the path in temperatures upwards of 95 degrees has you dragging your heels, fear not! The route is dotted with frozen treat purveyors ready to offer relief from the heat. Is it really summer if your hands aren't sticky from ice cream, anyway? Here's where to keep your cool along the BeltLine.

King of Pops

No one does pops like the "King." Founded by two brothers with a knack for cranking out frozen treats on a stick, KOP slings its frozen delights from rolling carts that show up at sporting events and festivals. Don't worry about pop hunting,

though. You can always head to the window just off the BeltLine and find a plethora of pops freshly made at the headquarters. The flavors change seasonally, but standouts among the summer variety include watermelon mojito and fresh peach.



Honeysuckle Gelato

Duck inside Ponce City Market, where you'll find creamy comfort at Honeysuckle Gelato. Dreamy gelato flavors include toasted marshmallow, Meyer lemon and mint. Have your scoops in a traditional cone or cup, but the best way is wedged between a cookie for a gelato sandwich. Your indulgence is also a good deed; Honeysuckle donates 5 percent of its profits to the Atlanta Community Food Bank.

Jake's Ice Cream and Sorbets

Scooping in the Old Fourth Ward since 1999, Jake's is a staple of the neighborhood. You'll find the ice cream shop adjacent to the mouth of the BeltLine on Irwin

Street—just look for the brightly lit Jake's sign. The colorful decor and old timey vibe will make you feel welcome. Order a couple of the zany named scoops, such as Chocolate Slap Yo Mama and Delta's Delight, an homage to our hometown airline with Biscoff cookies, caramel and Bailey's Irish Cream. The popular Chai Wallah is made with ginger from founder Jake Rothschild's farm, Sweet Selma. ■



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Food News



Takorea's Kalbi (short rib) ssam

■ Midtown's Korean-Mexican fusion restaurant **Takorea** is delving deeper into its Korean

roots. In addition to its mainstay Korean tacos and burritos, Takorea now offers build-your-own ssam bowls and a Wednesday night fried chicken special. For the uninitiated, ssam is Korean for "wrapped." Your choice of protein, rice and kimchi is served in a hot cast iron bowl alongside lettuce cups for wrapping. mytakorea.com

■ **Bellina Alimentari**, Ponce City Market's own Little Italy, welcomed **Cole Younger** Just, formerly of The Cockentrice, as its new beverage director this spring. Swing by Bellina to try one of his new cocktails, such as the **Latte e Mielle**, a concoction of milk-washed gin, raw honey, lemon and lavender. bellina-alimentari.com

■ Next time you need a bite and a cocktail in Midtown, head to **Grain** and check out its revamped menu. Monday through Friday you'll find \$4 "sammies" that are best washed down with the Fatal

Attraction, a blend of Jaegermeister, ancho reyes, Aperol and mole bitters. grain-bar.com



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