



There is absolutely no way you can visit this part of Georgia without a stop at one of the state's most famous cafés. The Whistle Stop Café, 443 McCrackin St., is the original café featured in one of the all time favorite movies, "Fried Green Tomatoes" Originally built in 1929 as a general merchandise store by Mr. Edward L. Williams Sr., it closed in 1972, and re-opened by Robert Williams after the filming of the movie in 1991. Elizabeth Bryant purchased The Whistle Stop in 2002 and continues the tradition and reputation for the best "fried green tomatoes" in the land.

A sampling of the "countrified" menu includes of course Fried Green Tomatoes, served with Ranch or radish sauce, Homestyle Onion Rings, Sweet Root Sticks—country fried sweet potatoes dusted with cinnamon and sugar, Rooster Strips, and Country French Fries topped with cheese and bacon bits. One of the most popular salads is the Fried Green Tomato Salad—a delicious salad including Vidalia onions, topped with a sizzling hot fried green tomato slice. Of course, barbecue is on the menu, as well as burgers, chicken strips, and Big Lee's Peach Cobbler! If a meal at The Whistlestop Café doesn't satisfy your hungry soul, honey, you Ain't Southern!

Elizabeth has renovated and "revitalized" the Whistle Stop in Juliette to its original historic beauty. She invites customers to BYOB from the Habersham Winery for evening events, and she can cater for parties for more than 400. If you are lucky enough to be visiting during October, you can be part of the Fried Green Tomato Festival. The Whistle Stop Café is open Tuesday-Sunday 11 am-4 pm. Call 478-992-8886 or visit www.thewhistlestopcafe.com.