Amid the bustle of Greenville tourism, restaurants and parks, downtown markets offer locals a variety of fresh produce and handcrafted items at the Saturday Market.

The Saturday Market, situated along Main Street at McBee Avenue, is open on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon from the beginning of May and to the end of October, and offers a wide variety of products—from handmade soaps, pottery and plants, to tasty treats such as honey, gluten-free cupcakes and coffee.

The Market sprawls out along two blocks of down-town Greenville. Lisa Henson, who sells plants for Douglas' Japanese Maples, enjoys the atmosphere of the market. "It's a neat place to come and hang out the whole day," she said.

Henson suggested turning a market visit into a day-long event. She said students enjoy shopping in the morning, eating at one of the many tasty restaurants Greenville offers and then spending the afternoon in Falls Park.



Shoppers can take their time stopping at roughly 75 different booths. People are invited to enjoy fresh produce and catchy tunes in the warm summer weather.

Henson looks forward to one of the most popular market days, coming up on the last Saturday in October. Kids in the Greenville community dress up in costumes and enjoy candy and other treats from market vendors.

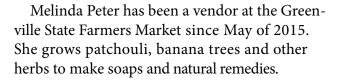




Greenville State Farmers Market

Located just five minutes from campus, the Greenville State Farmers Market is situated on Rutherford Road. This indoor market begins in April and continues through the week before Christmas.

At this time of year, the Farmers Market offers pumpkins, beans, canned fruit and many other fresh products.



She enjoys talking to the many college-aged students who stop by her booth. "They're going back to the natural things," she said.





