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Best of Chickasaw Country Winners Announced

Chickasaw Country, Okla. — Best of Chickasaw Country recognizes outstanding businesses in south-central Oklahoma. The 13th annual "Best of" awards highlight 17 categories of locally owned dining and shopping destinations, hotels and attractions, and entertainment and events that make this Oklahoma region a popular stop for travelers.

"Chickasaw Country is full of wonderful businesses and events," said Paige Williams Shepherd, director of tourism for the Chickasaw Nation. "These awards allow us to recognize the businesses and events the public believes best. The number of nominations and votes this year are a great reminder of how much our visitors and locals support the businesses in south-central Oklahoma."

At the start of the year, nominations were submitted in 17 categories, which were narrowed down to 93 finalists for voting. The public cast its votes to determine one winner in each category.

The 2025 Best of Chickasaw Country winners are:

Best Antique Shop - T-Town Vintage & Co., Tishomingo

Best Attraction - Blue River, Tishomingo

Best Barbecue - Smokin' Joe's Rib Ranch, Davis

Best Boutique - Pamper Me Boutique, Sulphur

Best Casino - WinStar World Casino and Resort, Thackerville

Best Coffee Shop - Latté Da Coffee House, Tishomingo

Best Family-Friendly Attraction - Blue River, Tishomingo

Best Festival - Chickasaw Annual Meeting and Festival, Tishomingo

Best Golf Course - Tishomingo Golf Course, Tishomingo

Best Lake – Lake Texoma, Kingston

Best Live Performance Venue – The Doghouse at Ole Red, Tishomingo

Best Lodging - The Artesian Hotel, Casino & Spa, Sulphur

Best Museum - Chickasaw Cultural Center, Sulphur

Best Overall Dining - Gonzalez Mexican Restaurant, Tishomingo

Best Run or Ride - Stevy's Run, Tishomingo

Best Wedding Venue - The Wildflower, Tishomingo

Best Winery/Brewery - Rusty Nail Winery and Tasting Room, Sulphur

To learn more about the winners selected for this year's Best of Chickasaw Country, visit https://www.chickasawcountry.com/best-chickasaw-country-2025. Explore more of the vast offerings in Chickasaw Country and plan a stay with the official Chickasawcountry-2025 Travel Guide.

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About Chickasaw Country

Nestled in the south-central region of Oklahoma, <u>Chickasaw Country</u> is a regional tourism organization representing 13 of Oklahoma's 77 counties. A division of the Chickasaw Nation, Chickasaw Country is a tourism resource for visitors and communities in the region, promoting local attractions, experiences and events. South-central Oklahoma is an easy, versatile, friendly and beautiful escape packed with First American and Western culture, outdoor recreation, local dining, breathtaking landscapes and one-of-a-kind festivals. For adventure-seekers, cultural lovers, and everything in between, Chickasaw Country is uniquely positioned as a go-to, spur-of-the-moment, easy-to-get-to, ever-changing vacation for a day, a weekend, a week, or longer.

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