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Lowes Foods to Open Cary Location on March 24

Store Features First Boxcar Coffee in Cary

CARY, NC (MARCH 10, 2021)—Lowes Foods, a Carolinas-based grocer, will celebrate the grand opening of its newest store located at 687 Mills Park Drive in Cary on March 24 at 8 a.m. The new store includes special areas called Lowes Foods Originals, which include Cary's first Boxcar Coffee along with The Beer Den, Pick & Prep, The Chicken Kitchen, The Cakery and more.

"Like all our Lowes Foods stores, our Cary store is very focused on supporting all things local," Lowes Foods' President Tim Lowe said. "Our commitment to local includes offering produce sourced through our partnerships with more than 200 farmers from the Carolinas and featuring a wide assortment of unique local products found throughout the store."

The new store also features a wide assortment of organics and prepared foods. In addition, the new Cary store features a Lowes Foods-To-Go area to meet the growing demands of shoppers who order online and simply pull up to the store to get their groceries.

Lowes Foods Originals in the Cary store include:

- **Boxcar Coffee** features an in-store roaster where green beans are custom roasted on-site. Guests can also sip on hand-crafted coffee while they shop.
- **The Beer Den** offers the finest selection of crafts and drafts that is fantastically varied, local, and refreshing. There are seasonal offerings of unique beers, special events, tap takeovers, and growler fills on-site. In addition, guests can "sip and shop" with a pint of beer or a cup of wine.
- **Smokehouse** offers a daily rotation of wood-smoked meats—including beef, pork, chicken, and salmon—using a variety of woods to infuse flavor. You can pick them up ready to eat or ready to take home and heat.
- **Sammy's** menu includes signature sandwiches that feature ingredients from Lowes Foods Originals such as SausageWorks, Chicken Kitchen, and Smokehouse. There are also create-your-own sandwiches, pizzas, and paninis that can be heated and ready to eat in just 90 seconds.
- **Bread Crumb** brings the bakery experience to life by featuring fresh-baked artisanal breads that are hand-crafted, all natural and have no preservatives. Lowes Foods' signature Cobblestone breads are baked using fresh ingredients throughout the day.
- **The Cakery** is a whimsical bakery where being square is incredibly cool. The Cakery features "Scrumptiouslyumptiously" delicious square cakes in all sizes that are assembled before your eyes, topped with icing made fresh in-store with real cream and real butter.
- **The Chicken Kitchen** includes a variety of prepared chicken that is fresh and never frozen, locally sourced, and is raised with "no antibiotics ever." When hot chicken comes out of the rotisserie oven, the animated chicken chandelier signals the start of Lowes Foods' special chicken celebration, including a unique version of the Chicken Dance.

- **Pick & Prep** offers shoppers help by cutting prep time in the kitchen so they can enjoy a little more quality time at the table. Pick & Prep chefs cut, slice, dice, mince, and cube your fruits and vegetables the way you prefer, while you shop. Pick & Prep also offers an array of packaged, grab-&-go fruits and veggies that are cut fresh throughout the day.

For the ultimate in locally grown products, the Cary store features a “pick your own herbs” section where store guests can clip a fresh sprig of rosemary, thyme and other herbs for recipes that call for just a pinch.

About Lowes Foods, LLC

Founded in 1954, Lowes Foods employs nearly 9,000 people and operates 80 full-service supermarkets in the Carolinas. Locally owned and operated, Lowes Foods is truly a homegrown company committed to bringing community back to the table, by providing customers with the freshest and most innovative local products from local suppliers. The company maintains a strong focus on exceptional attention to our guests, with services like Lowes Foods-To-Go personal shopping and gas rewards discounts. To learn more, visit [lowesfoods.com](https://www.lowesfoods.com) or follow Lowes Foods on Facebook or Twitter. Lowes Foods, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alex Lee, Inc. For more information, please visit [lowesfoods.com](https://www.lowesfoods.com).

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Founded in 1931, Alex Lee is a family-owned and operated company that employs nearly 10,000 people. It serves as the parent company of Merchants Distributors, LLC, which provides full-service, wholesale distribution to supermarkets across the Southeastern United States. In addition, Alex Lee is the parent company of Lowes Foods as well as Just Save food stores in North Carolina. Alex Lee, Inc. is based in Hickory, NC. For more information, please visit [alexlee.com](https://www.alexlee.com).

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