











VILLAGE NEWS

READERS CHOICE AWARDS

BEST RESTAURANTS

2021



As a coastal-community that welcomes throngs of tourists throughout the year, somehow La Jolla has maintained its original charm and neighborhood sensibility instilled early on during its days as an artists' colony. In an area that champions both "mom-and-pop" businesses, as well as national and international businesses, firms, etc., for a merchant to have the opportunity find their niche is truly remarkable.

La Jollans are blessed when it comes to their ability in celebrating the arts at several world-renowned venues. Also, some of the finest dining experiences found in San Diego, and Southern California at large, are located within the confines of the bejeweled town. Seemingly a microcosm for the City of San Diego itself: historic, laid-back, dignified, forward-thinking and full of class, being "from La Jolla" (however that is distinguished) is a source of great pride to all.

One thing taken very seriously in this area, however, is dining. From pristine establishments utilizing farm-to-table principles, to local landmarks that aren't going anywhere anytime soon, the La Jolla Village News has solicited public opinion as to recognize these culinary institutions in our 2021 Reader's Choice Awards.



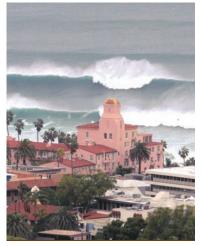
















WINNER OVERALL RESTAURANT **OVERALL SERVICE NEW RESTAURANT** ACAI **AHI POKE AMERICAN APPETIZER ATMOSPHERE BAGEL BAKERY** BAR BBO **BEER SELECTION BLOODY MARY BURRITO** BURGER **BREAKFAST** CAFE CANTINA **CATERING COFFEE SHOP** COFFEE STAND/KIOSK COLD BRFW COMFORT FOOD CHINESE **CHOCOLATE** CRAB **CREPES CURRY DESSERTS** DINNER **FAMILY RESTAURANT**

FAST FOOD (MEXICAN) FARM TO TABLE FISH TACO FISH & CHIPS FRENCH ESPRESSO **GELATO GRAB & GO MEALS** GROCERY(TO GO) **GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH** HAPPY HOUR HAWAIIAN/POLYNESIAN **HEALTHY DINING** ICE CREAM

JUICE BAR **KOMBUCHA** LATE NIGHT EATERY LIVE MUSIC LOBSTER LUNCH MARGARITA MARTINI

INDIAN

ITALIAN

MEDITERRANEAN MEXICAN OCEAN VIEW **OMELETTE** ORGANIC OYSTERS PATIO DINING

PASTA DISH **PASTRY** PANCAKES PET FRIENDLY RESTAURANT PLACE TO GO ON A BUDGET PLACE FOR A BIRTHDAY PARTY PLACE TO PEOPLE WATCH

PIZZA PIZZA (WOODFIRED) PRIME RIB ROMANTIC

ROOF TOP DINING SALAD **SANDWICH SEAFOOD** SOUP SPECIALTY DRINK

SPORTS BAR STEAKHOUSE SURF AND TURF SUNDAY BRUNCH

SUSHI TAKE-OUT THAI

VEGAN VEGETARIAN WINGS WINE BAR

WINE SELECTION (RESTAURANT) WINE SHOP WRAPS YOGURT

Congratulations to the following businesses who were chosen by the readers of the *La Jolla Village News*.

Readers were asked to cast ballots for their favorite choices. This was no simple task! With more than 100 categories, our readers came through with overwhelming response. We wish to thank all the readers who took the time to recognize these businesses that do so much to make La Jolla, Bird Rock and University City such wonderful communities.

GOLD Truluck's Truluck's Spiro's / Mermaids & Cowboys Brick And Bell Duke's Draft Republic/Nine-Ten George's At The Cove/The Lot Busy Bee's Sugar & Scribe/Wayfarer Bread & Pastry Herringbone/Beaumont's Bubba's Smokehouse BBQ Draft Republic /Public House La Jolla Beaumont's Don Carlos Burger Lounge/Public House La Jolla The Cottage / Richard Walker The Living Room/Brockton Villa Jose's Court Room The French Gourmet/Girard Gourmet Bird Rock Coffee /Harry's Coffee Shop Better Buzz Coffee Elixir Espresso Bar Bubba's Smokehouse Bbq Jason Knibb /Chef Bernard China Chef Teuscher Chocolates Of Switzerland Truluck's Froglanders /Elixir Espresso Bar Spice & Rice Girard Gourmet Michele Coulon Dessertier/Sugar & Scribe Nine-Ten/Bistro Du Marché The Cottage/Harry's Coffee Shop Don Carlos/The Taco Stand George's At The Cove

El Pescadoi Hennessey's Bistro Du Marché Pannikin Coffee & Tea Bobboi Small Goods Cheese Shop & Cafe Valley Farm Market Spiro's Mediterranean Cuisine The Melt Hennessey's Duke's Lean & Green Cafe/El Avocado

Baskin Robbins/ Häagen-Dazs Taste Of The Himalayas Lupi / Cafe Milano Nekter Better Buzz Coffee The Living Room Brick & Bell Cafe Beaumont's The Marine Room Duke's Puesto Manhattan

Olive & Basil/Spiro's Mediterranean Puesto/Jose's Courtroom The Marine Room/Brockton Villa Richard Walker's/Harry's Coffee Shop Lean & Green Cafe Herringbone Piatti/Piazza 1909

Wayfarer Bread & Pastry/Sugar & Scribe Richard Walker/Harry's Coffee Shop Beaumont's **Don Carlos** Sammy's Woodfired Pizza Cody's/The Living Room

Mr. Moto/Piazza 1909 Sammy's Woodfired /Wheat & Water Fddie V's

Osteria Romantica George's At The Cove Lean & Green Cafe /Mary's Gourmet Jersey Mike's/Small Goods Truluck's / El Pescador Small Goods /Parakeet Cafe

The Shores Restaurant Draft Republic/Public House La Jolla Mermaids & Cowboys /Fleming's Eddie V's/Truluck's The Shores Restaurant

Himitsu Taco Stand/Puesto Don Carlos / China Chef Spice & Rice/Aroi Thai El Avocado

Lean & Green Cafe/Trilogy Sanctuary Hennessey's

LJ Crafted Wine/We Olive Nine-Ten Bird Rock Fine Wine/Bev-Mo Marketplace Grille Froglanders Crepes & Yogurt

SILVER The Marine Room/Beaumont's Bistro Du Marché Ciao Ciao Piadina/Semola Juice Kaboose/Nektar Blue Ocean Cove House Catania/Bernini's Bistro Herringbone Brick & Bell Cafe Michele Coulon Dessertier Nine-Ten Promiscuous Fork The Spot Hennessey's Puesto/The Taco Stand **Nautilus Tavern** Harry's Coffee Shop / Sugar And Scribe Sugar And Scribe Verdes El Rancho/Puesto Small Goods Cheese Shop & Cafe The Living Room/Pannikin Coffee &Tea Pinpoint Cafe **Bird Rock Coffee Roasters Draft Republic** Jean Michael Diot / Giuseppe Mandarin House Michele Coulon El Pescado Taste Of The Himalayas Keg N Bottle

Girard Gourmet/The Living Room Catania Sammy's Woodfired / American Pizza Manf. Las Morelianas **Girard Gourmet** Galaxy Taco/The Taco Stand Cody's

French Gourmet Elixir Espresso Bar/Better Buzz Coffee Bottega Italiana Mary's Gourmet Salads The Corner

Olive & Basil Cheese Shop/Promiscuous Fork Herringbone Homestyle Hawaiian Trilogy Sanctuary Cold Stone Clay Oven Indian Cuisine

Piatti /Piazza 1909 Seaside Cafe/Juice Kaboose Parakeet Cafe The Spot **Bird Rock Coffee Roasters** The Med - La Valencia Fleming's Prime Steakhouse

The Lot Jose's Courtroom / Verdes El Ranchero The Med-La Valencia Marketplace Grille

Galaxy Taco / Verdes El Ranchero George's At The Cove The Cottage Trilogy Sanctuary / Green Door Cafe

El Pescador Mustangs & Burros Catania / Osteria Romantica Michele Coulon Dessertier Brockton Villa

Taco Stand Barbarella Jose's Courtroom Pizza Pronto / American Pizza Manufacturing Isola Pizza Bar Fleming's Prime Steakhouse

The Spot George's At The Cove Trilogy Sanctuary Sammy's Woodfired Pizza Promiscuous Fork/Girard Gourmet Marine Room

Mary's Gourmet Salads Barbarella The Lot/The Spot Manhattan/Eddie V's The Shores Restaurant The Cottage/Brockton Villa Blue Ocean Galaxy Taco/Don Carlos Mandarin House

Thai Gulf Restaurant Lean & Green Parakeet Cafe Nautilus Tavern/Public House La Jolla Bird Rock Fine Wine Herringbone We Olive

Freshería-Be Fresh

Yogi Topi

BRONZE

Bistro Du Marché The Med - La Valencia Candor Fruititude Cherrywine Modern Asian Cuisine Bubba's Smokehouse Bbg Isola Pizza Bar Pannikin Coffee & Tea French Gourmet Hennessey's

Shore Rider Cody's Las Morelianas Promiscuous Fork Brockton Villa

Karina's Cantina **Guiseppe Catering** Brick & Bell Elixir Expresso Bar

Michel Melcot@ French Gourmet PF Changs Chocolate Haus

Richard Walker Aroi Thai Deli-Icious Le Macaron French Pastries Bernini's Bistro Bernini's Bistro Rigobertos Farmer & The Seahorse Don Bravo Shore Rider Cafe La Rue Pinpoint Cafe Cafe Milano Cheese Shop Vons

Freshería-Be Fresh Scoops

Marketplace Grille

Deli-Icious Public House La Jolla

Catania Fruititude Pannikin Coffee &Tea

Parakeet Cafe Manhattan Eddie V's The Spot **Galaxy Taco**

Raymundo's Taco Shop The Shores Restaurant The Shores Restaurant Juice Kaboose

Shorehouse Kitchen Isola Pizza Bar French Gourmet Shorehouse Kitchen Shorehouse Kitchen Raymundo's Taco Shop

Carino's Bernini's Bistro Manhattan

Eddie V's Duke's Cove House Cheese Shop The Shores Restaurant

Cusp Nautilus Tavern

Fleming's Prime Steakhouse The Med-La Valencia Haru Sushi Verdes El Rancho Sammy's Woodfired Pizza Turmeric Thai Garden Trilogy Sanctuary Green Door Cafe Bubba's Smokehouse Bbq **Trinitas Cellars** Catania Dick's Liquor Juice Kaboose

First Place Winners Profiles

Best Overall Restaurant

Truluck's

Truluck's is an escape — a getaway for the senses. Savor the freshest crab, direct from the restaurant's own fisheries. Truluck's boasts: "From our traps to your table in less than 24 hours." Enjoy the fresh-catch seafood menu or select tender, juicy steaks grilled to perfection. Then complement it all with delicious wines by the glass and bottle. Come early and enjoy cocktail hour and specially priced appetizers and drink menu.

Truluck's 8990 University Center Lane trulucks.com | 858-453-2583



Best Restaurant Service

Truluck's

(See listing under Best Overall)



Best New Restaurant (tie)

Spiro's Mediterranean

After 25 successful years in Coronado, the Chaconas family has opened their second fast-casual, taverna-inspired eatery in La Jolla Village. The family, led by patriarch Spiro Chaconas and his wife Nancy, which has owned and operated Spiro's Greek Café at the Coronado Ferry Landing since 1995, has reimagined its original concept to spotlight the authentic cuisine, healthy ingredients, and traditional recipes of the Mediterranean region. The newest Spiro's offers seasonal house-made Greek appetizers, popular street foods including gyros and souvlaki, artisan salads, kebob plates and family meals, house-baked desserts, and a curated selection of Greek beer and wine. The eatery also features a beautiful patio, an exclusive retail selection of specialty foods including Greek wines, salts,

olives and cheeses, as well as gift

Spiro's Mediterranean 909 Prospect St, Ste 100B 858-352-6588

Mermaids & Cowboys

Mermaids & Cowboys marries ocean and land through the rich history of the pearl diving mermaids of Japan and the historic cattle ranches of La Jolla. "Mermaids" plays homage to the Japanese Ama Divers, who helped to inspire the modern-day mythology of the Mermaid. "Cowboys" plays homage to the historic ranches of California, from the Tejon Ranch, established well over 300 years ago, to the Carver Bowen Ranch established in 1872. Mermaids & Cowbovs tells a visual story to our diners with pearl chandeliers, saddle-leather seating booth, teak furniture, and pearlescent fishscaled bar. The photography pays tribute to the Japanese Ama Divers and the bold California Cowboys tending their ranch and cattle

Mermaids & Cowbovs 1251 Prospect St. La Jolla mermaidscowboys.com 858-999-0205



Best Acai

Brick & Bell

Brick & Bell has been described as a cozy, sweet little coffee shop. One things for sure, the scones have it! Apparently, the sell thousands of these wonderful pastries a year. What better to have with your scone, than coffee of course. They make a great cup of joe here as well. Make this your meeting spot, or just a place where you can go and relax.

Brick & Bell Cafe 928 Silverado St | (858) 551-0928 brickbellcafe.eat24hour





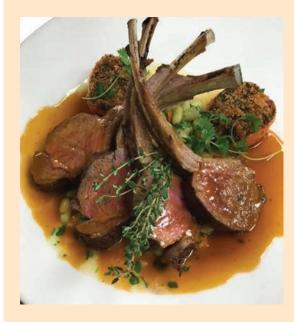
OCEAN'S FINEST SEAFOOD & CRAB



The Truluck's La Jolla Team would like to thank our loyal customers for voting us:

BEST OVERALL RESTAURANT | BEST OVERALL SERVICE
BEST CRAB | BEST SEAFOOD | BEST SURF & TURF





Voted Best French & Place for Dinner

Bistro Du Marché

Bistro du Marché by Tapenade is a French bistro named after the Open Aire Market in La Jolla located only a few steps away. Under Chef Jean-Michel Diot and Chef Alain Delahaye leadership, Bistro du Marché's cuisine is mostly composed of selected fresh, local Californian ingredientsblended with traditional French techniques and flavors. Their menu also includes an inspired cocktail list and an extensive selection of French and California wines. The comfortable and relaxed atmosphere of the dining room, the bar and the patio, combined with a lively ambiance, resembles the turn of the century Parisian bistros.

> Bistro Du Marché 7437 Girard Ave, La Jolla bistrodumarche.net | 858-551-7500

Best Ahi Poke

Duke's La Jolla

(See listing under Best Hawiaan/Polynesian)



Best American (tie)

Draft Republic

Draft Republic is an American gastro pub offering a casual, friendly atmosphere and innovative cuisine. Draft Republic features a beer centric menu including favorites such as their Housemade Sausage Sampler, House Smoked Pulled Pork and the Draft Republic Burger. Guests can enjoy over 36 craft beers on tap plus housemade keg cocktails. Challenge friends to a round of ping pong, billiards, shuffle board or foosball. Don't miss out on the

food, fun and brews. **Draft Republic** 4282 Esplanade Ct, La Jolla draftrepublic.com | 858-450-1400

Nine-Ten

(See listing under Best Chef)



Best Appetizer

Duke's La Jolla



Best Atmosphere (tie)

(See listing under Ahi Poke)

George's at the Cove

Make every day a special occasion one that begins with a bounty of locally grown and harvested products and ends with inventive preparations that surprise and delight you. George's is known for their ocean view dining

room-contemporary yet comfortable, with an intimate setting where conversation comes easy. Let their knowledgeable staff serve as guides to the many exciting choices available.

George's at the Cove 1250 Prospect St, La Jolla georgesatthecove.com | 858-454 4244

The LOT

THE LOT was inspired by and created for the La Jolla neighborhood and honors the sea, art, culture, food, music, and weather. Customizing and creating the ultimate entertainment and lifestyle experience is their obsession. So, if you're looking to host a private party, or maybe a company meeting and a mix of relaxation, leisure, craft cocktails, locally sourced coffees, sustainable and elevated cuisine and the latest blockbuster movies and independent films, they've Home of Food Network Champion

got what you are looking for! The LOT 7611 Fay Ave, La Jolla thelotent.com | 858-777-0069



Best Bagel **Busy Bee's**

Busy Bee's is the perfect place for a busy bee to stop by for a quick bite to eat. The service is fast and the prices are decent. While Busy Bee's is known for its bagel sandwiches and specialty bagels like the pesto bagel and sundried tomato bagel, it also offers a variety of other baked goods.

Busy Bee's 6861 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla 858-456-2738

Best BBQ

Bubba's Smokehouse BBQ

In 2009, Jeffrey Nicoletta, a Navy veteran turned restaurateur, and Ali Nicoletta, opened Bubba's Smokehouse BBQ. Six years later, Bubba's mouthwatering,falling-off-the-bone ribs are a smoking success! This family-friendly BBQ restaurant serves up Southernstyle ribs, pork, tri-tip, brisket and chicken with lots of delicious homestyle side orders. For those wanting lighter fare, Bubba's offers hearty salads for a more healthful alternative. Southern BBQ? There's Bubba's, and then there's all the others.

Bubba's Smokehouse BBQ 888 Prospect St, La Jolla bubbassmokehousebbq.com 858-551-4227



Best Bakery (tie)

Sugar & Scribe Bakery - Fine Food

Chef Maeve, Sugar & Scribe is a quintessential La Jolla hangout. Featuring scratch-made breakfast and lunch, gourmet coffee bar, wedding and specialty cakes, catering, takeout and an award-winning bakery, Sugar and Scribe is a local favorite.

Sugar & Scribe Bakery 660 Fay Ave, La Jolla sugarandscribe.com | 858-274-1733

Wayfarer Bread & Pastry

Wayfarer Bread is a small neighborhood bakery focused on selling naturally fermented breads hot and fresh, directly to the community. Though primarily a bread bakery, Wayfarer also provides pastries and sandwiches on fresh bread in the afternoon.

Always made in small batches. Always with highest quality locally sourced ingredients.

Wayferer Bread & Pastry 5525 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla wayfarerbread.com



Best Bar (tie)

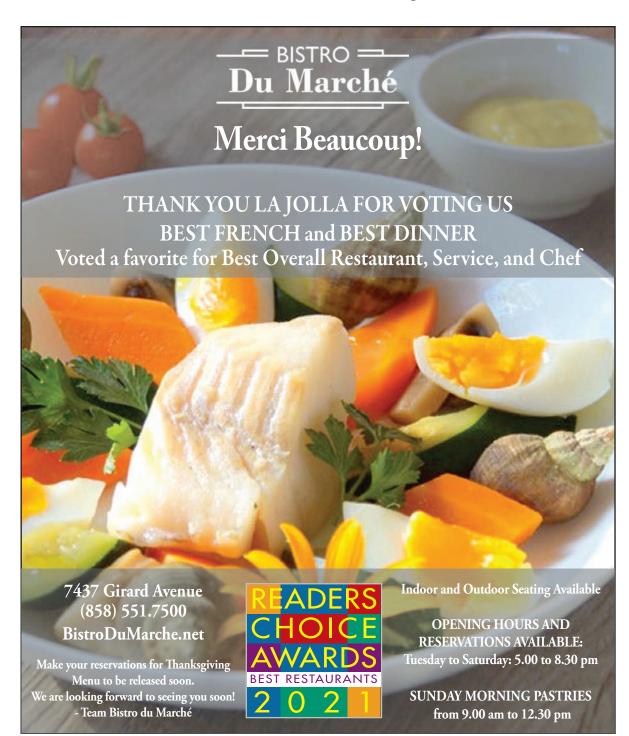
Herringbone

Herringbone features a "Fish Meats Field" coastal cuisine with an emphasis on line-caught seafood and high-quality meats. Herringbone takes guests on an ocean-to-table culinary excursion and social dining experience with al fresco dining, a raw bar, exhibition kitchen and 100 year-old olive trees in the famed beach community.

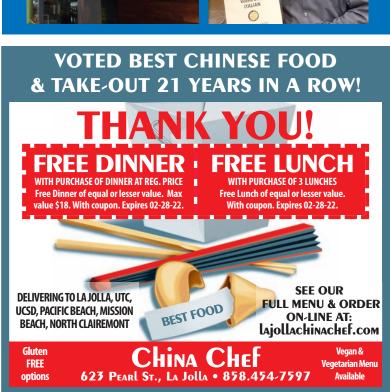
Herringbone 7837 Herschel Ave, La Jolla herringboneeats.com 858-459-0221

Beaumont's Eatery

Beaumont's has become the focal point for nightlife in Bird Rock. Bringing back live local bands to play on weekends.









Voted Best Breakfast & Family Restaurant

The Cottage

The Cottage is a quintessential La Jolla destination beloved by locals, tourist, the young, the old, regulars and new comers alike for the past 30 years. Set in the historic "Columbine Cottage", built in the early 1900's, The Cottage serves up an exceptional break and lunch on the sun drenched patio. The gourmet omelettes, stuffed french toast, sandwiches, salads and trademark house made granola are memorable and well worth the wait.

The Cottage | 7702 Fay Ave, La Jolla (858) 454-8409 cottagelajolla.com

The menu is exceptional and unique, and it offers a range of entrées, from a juicy Viking burger and shrimp saffron risotto to veggie and vegan options as well. Count on Beaumont's for a great meal, great time and a chance to meet your neighbor!

Beaumont's Eaterv 5662 La Jolla Blvd. beaumontseatery.com 858-459-0474



Draft Republic

(See listing under Best American)

Public House La Jolla

The Public House specializes in a delicious variety of burgers, wine, and limited release beer. Come hang out and These things are served seconds after enjoy the rotating taps of Belgian and German beers, local San Diego beers, and many hard to find craft beers and microbrews from all around the world. Relax in a backyard, outdoor setting, or make yourself at home inside.

the Public House 830 Kline St, La Jolla the-publichouse.com | 858-551-9210

Best Bloody Mary

Beaumont's Eatery

(See listing under Best Live Music)

Best Breakfast (tie)

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The Cottage 7720 Fay Ave, La Jolla cottagelajolla.com | 858-454 8409

Richard Walker's Pancake House

Richard Walker points to his pancakes with no shortage of pride - he even mentions them in the name of his venue, and they're some of the best in the history of the universe. But maybe there's a change in the wind here -Richard's just won our paper's award for best omelet, and it's small wonder.

they're plated, and they're made with a whopping four eggs. cheese is a big item in these dishes too, because it goes so well with foundations like spinach and onions. Richard Walker's Omelet House – kind of a nice ring.
Richard Walker's Pancake House

9090 Prospect St, La Jolla richardwalkers.com | 858-459-8800

Best Burger (tie)

Burger Lounge

The folks at Burger Lounge don't just think burgers should taste great. They believe the common American meal should utilize healthy, sustainable ingredients as well. Burger Lounge's vision is evident at every turn — from the organic ketchup to the wild salmon burger topped with fried green tomatoes and BBQ glaze. While this premium burger joint has other divine splurges to indulge in like the fresh vegetable salad and onion rings.

Burger Lounge 1101 Wall St. La Jolla burgerlounge.com | 858-456-0196

Public House La Jolla

(See listing under Best Beer Selection)

Best Burrito

Don Carlos

If a picture is worth a thousand words, Don Carlos Taco Shop has singlehandedly written every book published in the last 40 years. The eatery's website makes regular Mexican entries look like virtual portraits - the enchiladas, carne asada and yes, burritos make you think you're already at the restaurant.

Don Carlos 737 Pearl St, Ste. 113, La Jolla eataburrito.com | 858-456-0482



Best Café (tie)

Living Room Coffeehouse

The Living Room has truly lived up to its name in La Jolla. A European Café with a Californian flair. The café has drawn young and old alike to sip tea, coffee and deluxe smoothies in a homey ambiance furnished with antique, ornate coaches and wooden tables. Patrons find the communal atmosphere inspiring and relaxing; you'll find groups of friends smoking the hookah on the upstairs patio and others poring over books in the back. Scrumptious desserts are available, along with wine, beer, cocktails and hookah tobacco. Enjoy the views from the second







Thank you, La Jolla!



BEST BREAKFAST gold



FAMILY RESTAURANT gold



BRUNCH

silver



BEST OMELET silver

7702 Fay Ave. La Jolla, CA 92037 p: (858) 454-8409 / www.cottagelajolla.com

Thank you for voting for us La Jolla!





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"From Our Garden to Your Plate"







7837 Girard Ave, La Jolla 858.454.3325 www.GirardGourmet.com

La Jolla's Premier Deli for 34 years







Voted Best Vegan & Healthy Dining

El Avocado

El Avocado is a plant-based restaurant. Being creative with veggies and grains and imparting new flavors is their jam. They steer clear of processed meat and cheese substitutes by choosing to make their own flavorful versions with a mixture of veggies, nuts, legumes, and grains. Sauces, dressings, salads, soups, and sandwiches are all made in-house with lots of organic ingredients and love.

> El Avocado 1025 Prospect St #130, La Jolla elavocados.com | 858-412-0967

floor ocean view room. Try our daily lunch special. Open late 'til midnight every day. Takeout available. Celebrating our 28th Anniversary.

Living Room Cafe 1010 Prospect St, La Jolla livingroomusa.com | 858-459-1187

Brockton Villa

(See listing under Best Ocean View)



Best Cantina

Jose's Courtroom

(See listing under Best Mexican)



Best Catering (tie)

French Gourmet

The Gourmet's traditional bakery is renowned for its outstanding French pastries. It's also a showcase for fullservice catering and wedding cakes, which many consider to be the best in the history of the universe. The selection of breads, breakfast pastries, cookies and cakes include the French Gourmet chocolate mousse and the strawberry bagatelle — layers of white sponge cake dabbed with syrup, filled with Bavarian cream and fresh strawberries and topped with a thin layer of marzipan. Wash it all down with an espresso drink or a glass of wine, or keep the experience moving with pâté, quiche or imported cheese.

French Gourmet 660 Turquoise St., Pacific Beach thefrenchgourmet.com 858-929-1984

Girard Gourmet

Girard Gourmet is going on its 32nd year in La Jolla, so you know it has the experience factor in hand. They cook and bake in the European tradition and grows many of its fruits and vegetables in an organic garden in Julian. Enjoy custom-designed cookies don't and specialy desserts like the chocolate croissants and raspberry rugulach. And don't forget the especial services, which will make catering your event a stressfree, experience.

Girard Gourmet 7837 Girard Ave, La Jolla girardgourmet.com | 858-454-3321



Best Chef (tie)

Jason Knibb@ Nine-Ten

NINE-TEN Restaurant's evolving California cuisine features the best of the harvest from local artisan farmers where produce is selected daily. Lunch

and dinner are served daily and Brunch every Sunday in the main dining room, sidewalk patio or back terrace with glimpses of the ocean.

910 Prospect St, La Jolla nineten.com | 858-964-5400

Chef Bernard@ The Marine Room

Switzerland

(See listing under Best Ocean View)



Best Chocolate **Teuscher Chocolates of**

Teuscher Chocolates is located upstairs in the La Plaza La Jolla! Their first location in San Diego, the artisan chocolatier has been around for more than 80 years, and hails all the way from Switzerland. They boast a wide variety of delectable treats - from truffles to holiday gift boxes.

7863 Girard Ave, Ste 204, La Jolla 858-230-6337



Best Chinese China Chef

For a taste of China in the middle of La Jolla, look no further than China Chef.

This authentic little gem has a wide range of traditional fare like chop suey, noodle dishes, chef specialties to choose from and great deals on lunch specials from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Glutenfree menu items like cashew nut chicken, shrimp with assorted vegetables and Kung-Po beef to cater to everyone's tastes.

China Chef 623 Pearl St, La Jolla lajollachinachef.com | 858-454-1368



Best Coffee Shop (tie)

Bird Rock Coffee Roasters

Bird Rock Coffee Roasters is proud to have put premiere, direct-trade coffee on the map in San Diego. BRCR has won multiple national and international awards for quality, taste, roasting and socially responsible practices, including. Bird Rock Coffee Roaster's staff sources the best coffees in the world and directly from origin. Going beyond the perfect latte, Bird Rock Coffee Roasters has professional roasters on site and pour-over bars featuring seasonal offerings. Bird Rock Coffee Roasters engages in direct trade with farmers, and is proud to serve the best green coffee, prepared with the utmost respect for those who produced it.

Bird Rock Coffee Rosters 5627 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla birdrockcoffeeroasters.com 858-551-1707

Harry's Coffee Shop

Restaurants come and go, but Harry's has become an institution in La Jolla since it opened more than 50 years ago. The old-fashioned diner has not slapped on layer upon layer of modernity to keep pace with the decade. Instead, the breakfast joint steadfastly has served up good American fare of eggs, bacon and pancakes in the morning and club sandwiches and charbroiled burgers in the afternoon, and has kept the customers coming back. Open at 6 in the morning, closed by 3 in the afternoon, Harry's remains a

familiar, friendly place near and dear to La Jollans' hearts.

Harry's Coffee Shop 7545 Girard Ave. 454-7381 harryscoffeeshop.com



Best Coffee Stand / Kiosk

Better Buzz Coffee

Better Buzz Coffee Company® is committed to providing consistent quality coffee beverages in a fun atmosphere, with efficient & friendly customer service. Better Buzz Coffee® is certified by CCOF as an ORGANIC Coffee Roaster and strive to source Fair Trade and Rainforest Alliance coffees.

Better Buzz Coffee 7467 Girard Ave, La Jolla pannikincoffeeandtea.com 858-454-5453



Best Cold Brew

Elixer Espresso Bar

The core essence of everything they do is Passion - it is the most important ingredient in every beverage we handcraft, the most essential element in every meal we compose, and the most perceivable aspect of our hospitality and service.

Elixer Espresso Bar 7863 Girard Ave. #105, La Jolla elixirespressobar.com | 858-291-8278

Best Comfort Food

Bubba's Smokehouse BBQ

(See listing under Best BBQ)



Best Crab Truluck's

(See listing under Best Overall Restaurant)



Best Crepe's (tie)

Froglander's

(See listing under Best Yogurt)



MICRO-ROASTEROFT









Thank You La Jolla for Voting! Congratulations to our winners!











Elixer Espresso Bar

(See listing under Best Cold Brew)



Best Curry

Spice & Rice Thai Kitchen

This establishment offers a tantalizing menu and a clean-air approach to dining. Be warned: Many of the dishes are on the spicy side, like those in many Thai restaurants. The kitchen is accommodating and will moderate the seasoning to suit your taste. Most dishes can be made as a vegetarian version. Prices are quite appealing, and the Thai salads are excellent. Sit back, relax and enjoy a little spice and rice in your life.

Spice & Rice Thai Kitchen 7734-C Girard Ave, La Jolla spiceandricethaikitchen.com 858-456-0466

Best Deli

Girard Gourmet Girard Gourmet is going on its 34th year in La Jolla, so you know it has the experience factor in hand. It cooks and bakes in the European tradition and grows many of its fruits and vegetables in an organic garden in Julian. See if this place's special desserts and fun custom-designed cookies don't make you cry for more, like the chocolate croissants and raspberry rugulach. And don't forget the especial services, which will make catering your event a stressfree, experience.

Girard Gourmet 7837 Girard Ave. La Jolla girardgourmet.com | 858-454-3321



Best Desserts (tie)

Michelle Coulon Dessertier

Michele Coulon Dessertier desserts and savory offerings are made from the finest ingredients: fresh local organic

produce, only real butter, and Belgian chocolate. They take pride in creating spectacular wedding cakes and desserts appealing to the eye and tantalizing to the taste. They believe that everything they serve must be delicious as well as beautiful. Celebrating 18 years in La Jolla!

Michell Coulon Dessertier 7556 Fay Ave, La Jolla dessertier.com | 858-456-5098

Sugar & Scribe Bakery - Fine Food

(See listing under Best Bakery)



Best Dinner (tie)

Bistro Du Marché

(See listing under Best French)

Nine-Ten

(See listing under Best Chef)



Best Espresso Pannikin Coffee & Tea

Did you know the Pannikin has been serving San Diego county since 1968? This family owned and operated business roasts coffee and bakes daily for all four of its locations from their Lucadia location. Purveyors of freshly roasted coffee, fine imported teas and freshly baked goods, they take great pride in bringing you the freshest selection of single origin coffees and proprietary blends from around the globe.

7467 Girard Ave, La Jolla pannikincoffeeandtea.com | 858-454-5453 peets.com | 858-456-3819



Best Family Restaurant (tie) Cottage

(See listing under Best Breakfast)

Harry's Coffee Shop

Restaurants come and go, but Harry's has become an institution in La Jolla since it opened more than 50 years ago. The old-fashioned diner has not slapped on layer upon layer of modernity to keep pace with the decade. Instead, the breakfast joint steadfastly has served up good American fare of eggs, bacon and pancakes in the morning and club sandwiches and charbroiled burgers in the afternoon, and has kept the customers coming back. Harry's remains a familiar, friendly place near and dear to La Jollans' hearts.

Harry's Coffee Shop 7545 Girard Ave, La Jolla harryscoffeeshop.com 858-454-7381



Best Fish Taco

El Pescadore

(See listing under Best Seafood)



Best Fish & Chips Hennessey's Tavern

(See listing under Best Wings)



Best Farm to Table

George's at the Cove

(See listing under Best Atmosphere)



Best French

Bistro Du Marché

Bistro du Marché by Tapenade is a French bistro named after the Open Aire Market in La Jolla located only a few steps away. Under Chef Jean-Michel Diot and Chef Alain Delahaye leadership, Bistro du Marché's cuisine is mostly composed of selected fresh, local Californian ingredients and



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Piazza 1909 7731 Fay Ave, La Jolla | 858-412-3108 piazza1909.com

blended with traditional French techniques and flavors. Bistro du Marché also includes an inspired cocktail list and an extensive selection of French and California wines. The comfortable room, the bar and the patio, combined with a lively ambiance, resembles the turn of the century Parisian bistros.

Voted

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Bistro Du Marché 7437 Girard Ave, La Jolla bistrodumarche.net | 858-551-7500



Best Gelato Bobboi

Known for both its traditional and untraditional gelato flavors, Bobboi

gelato is inspired by California yet rooted in the timeless gelato techniques of Italy. Its flavors are made from local, seasonal ingredients and the menu rotates constantly to reflect what's and relaxed atmosphere of the dining available and in season. Artisanal versions of expected classic flavors are available, including pistachio, stracciatella and dark chocolate sorbet, but it's the unexpected Bobboi signatures that stand out, from Matchatella (Japanese matcha tea and chocolate shards) to Rosehoney (organic honey and Lebanese rosewater).

Bobboi Gelao 8008 Girard Ave, La Jolla bobboi.com/la-jolla | 858-255-8693





Best New Restaurant & Steakhouse

Mermaids & Cowboys

Mermaids & Cowboys marries ocean and land through the rich history of the pearl diving mermaids of Japan and the historic cattle ranches of La Jolla. "Mermaids" plays homage to the Japanese Ama Divers, who helped to inspire the modern-day mythology of the Mermaid. "Cowboys" plays homage to the historic ranches of California, from the Tejon Ranch, established well over 300 years ago, to the Carver Bowen Ranch established in 1872. Mermaids & Cowboys tells a visual story to our diners with pearl chandeliers, saddle-leather seating booth, teak furniture, and pearlescent fish-scaled bar. The photography pays tribute to the Japanese Ama Divers and the bold California Cowboys tending their ranch and cattle.

> Mermaids & Cowboys 1251 Prospect St, La Jolla mermaidscowboys.com 858-999-0205

Best American, Beer Selection & Sports Bar



Draft Republic

Located in La Jolla, across from UTC, Draft Republic is an American gastro pub offering a casual, friendly atmosphere and innovative cuisine. Draft Republic features a beer centric menu including favorites such as their Housemade Sausage Sampler, House Smoked Pulled Pork and the Draft Republic Burger. Guests can enjoy over 36 craft beers on tap plus housemade keg cocktails. Challenge friends to a round of ping pong, billiards, shuffle board or foosball. Don't miss out on the food, fun and brews.

Draft Republic 4282 Esplanade Ct. 858-450-1400 | draftrepublic.com

Best Grab & Go Meals

Smallgoods Cheese Shop & Cafe

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Smallgoods Cheese Shop & Cafe 7524 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla smallgoodsusa.com 858-886-7217



Best Grocery Grab & Go Meals

Valley Farms & Market

La Jolla is Valley Farms newest location just blocks from the famous Windansea Beach. Whether you stop by to pick up lunch or you are looking for some always-fresh seafood, you can expect the same great service and selection that you've come to know and love at Valley Farms.

Valley Farms La Jolla 6902 La Jolia Bivd, La Jolia valleyfarmmarkets.com 858-999-0358

Best Greek

Spiro's Mediterranean

(See listing under Best New Restaurant)

Best Grilled Sandwich

The Melt

The Melt does exactly what the name says: They melt things. They start out with the highest quality cheeses, allnatural meats and fresh artisan breads, then melt them. Every bite of the crunchy, melty grilled sandwiches and juicy, flavorful cheeseburgers will put a

smile on your face and happiness in your heart. Not only does their food taste amazing, they make it with 100% all-natural ingredients. No artificial colors or flavors. No preservatives. No high fructose corn syrup. And nothing you can't pronounce. It's food that tastes great and you can feel great

The Melt 8849 Villa La Jolla Dr, Ste 305 themelt.com | 858-926-7517

Best Happy Hour

Hennesey's

(See listing under Best Bar)



Best Hawaiian /Polynesian

Duke's La Jolla

Duke's is known for its Hawaii themed locations, sprawling beachfront venues that celebrate sun, surf and the late Duke Kahanamoku, regarded as the father of modern surfing. Hawaii, though, has nothing on you - you've flocked to the La Jolla space in droves since its opening last November to take in the Hawaiian-inspired fare and the come-as-you-are spirit of its namesake. You can take the boy out of Hawaii,

Duke's La Jolla 1262 Prospect St, La Jolla dukeslajolla.com.com | 858-454-5888

Best Healthy Dining (tie)

Lean & Green Café

Lean and Green Cafe offers only the freshest and finest organic produce from locally grown sources and aims to satisfy your tastebuds and your conscience. It's no secret that eating healthfully is the best way to eat. More important, eating clean or organic food will help improve your health. Lean and Green does just that with an impressive array of organic gourmet salads, wraps, soups and decadent organic sweet bowls, but it also offers thirst-quenching, freshly made organic juices, smoothies and smart shots. Also a vegetarian-friendly, gluten free,

vegan-friendly café open for breakfast,

lunch, dinner. Lean & Green Café 7825 Fay Ave, La Jolla leanandgreencafe.com 858-459-5326

El Avocado

El Avocado is a plant-based restaurant. Being creative with veggies and grains and imparting new flavors is their jam. They steer clear of processed meat and cheese substitutes by choosing to make their own flavorful versions with a mixture of veggies, nuts, legumes, and grains. Sauces, dressings, salads,

soups, and sandwiches are all made inhouse with lots of organic ingredients and love.

El Avocado 1025 Prospect St #130, La Jolla elavocados.com | 858-412-0967



Best Ice Cream (tie)

Baskin Robbins

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Best Indian

Taste of Himalayas

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Best Italian (tie)

Cafe Milano

Owner/chef Pasquale Cianni brought northern Italian cuisine to La Jolla and is now celebrating the his 20th Anniversary. He has been successfully pleasing both local residents and outof-towners - even out-of-the-country guests - with his homemade pappardelle pasta, veal ossobuco, lobster ravioli and many other authentic Italian dishes. Café Milano is an exciting and incredible experience for the whole family at affordable prices. Voted best Italian restaurant 10 years in a row. Open Tues.-Sun. 2-9 p.m. Closed Mon. Café Milano

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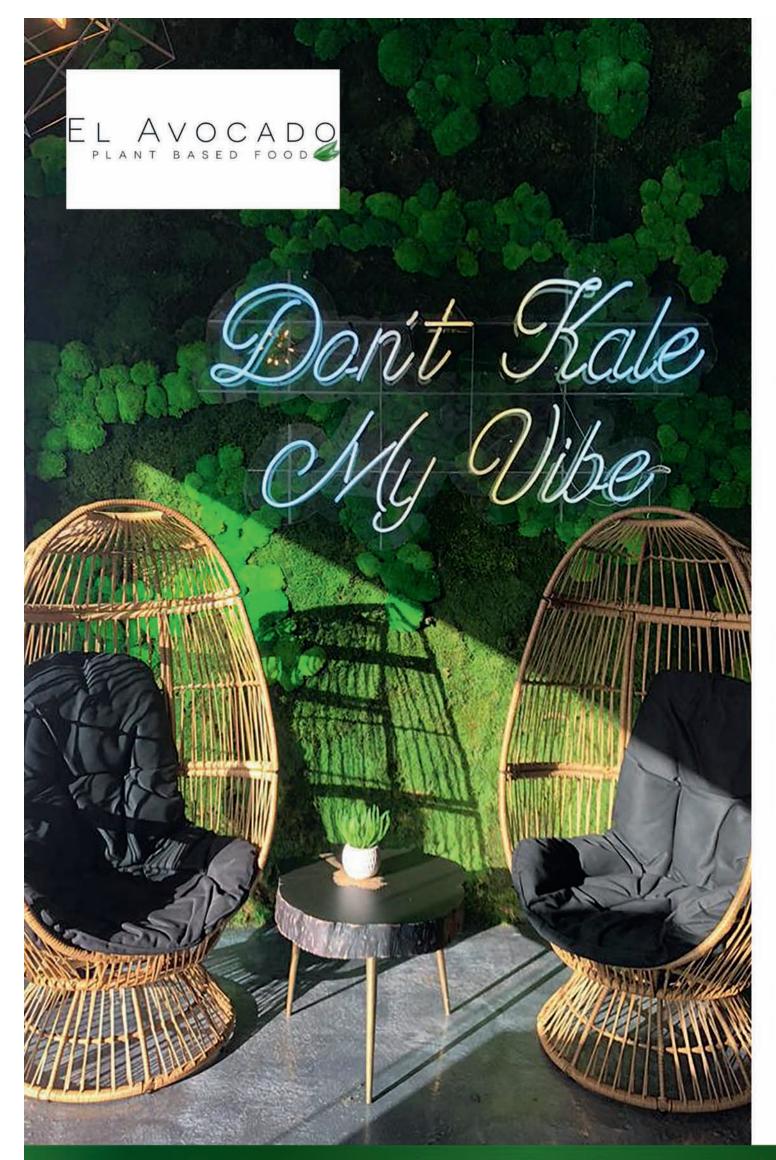
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Brockton Villa Restaurant 1235 Coast Blvd. | (858) 454-7393 brocktonvilla.com

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(See listing under Best Coffee Stand)

Living Room Coffeehouse

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(See listing under Best Café)



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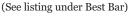
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Best Live Music

Beaumont's Eatery





Best Lobster

The Marine Room (See listing under Best Ocean View)



Best Lunch

Duke's

(See listing under Best Ahi Poke)



Best Margarita

Puesto

Puesto scores big when it comes to Taco's and Margaritas. "We have a new octopus taco with crispy pulpo, avocado, chipotle crema and handmade blue corn tortillas," said GM Douglas McCallum, which encourages patrons to "visit our popular eatery for unique artisanal takes on tacos, ceviches, margaritas and more in a bright and breezy eclectic dining room." Don't forget to check out Puesto's Happy Hour, Taco Tuesday and the Taco Bar Saturday nights.

1026 Wall St, La Jolla eatpuesto.com | 858-454-1260



Best Martini
The Manhattan

Located inside the Empress Hotel, on

Fay Avenue, Manhattan of La Jolla is a casual, elegant setting where you would expect to see Old Blue Eyes or Danny Ocean romancing a beautiful woman while she sips her martini over dinner. The restaurant, which was established more than 29 years ago is well known for its culinary excellence. The Manhattan

7766 Fay Ave, La Jolla manhattanoflajolla.com 858-459-0700

Best Mediterranean (tie)

Spiro's Mediterranean

(See listing under New Restaurant)

Olive & Basil

(See listing under Best Wine Bar)



Best Mexican Fast Food (tie)

Don Carlos

(See listing under Best Burrito)

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Best Mexican (tie)

Puesto

(See listing under Best Margarita)

Jose's Courtroom

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Best Pastry (tie)

Wayfarer Bakery & Pastry

(See listing under Best Desserts)

(See listing under Best Bakery)

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Sugar & Scribe

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Sugar & Scribe 7660 Fay Ave. | (858) 274-1733 sugarandscribe.com

favorites. From Ceviche to Veggie Burritos – everything from our sauces and sides to our marinades and chips and salsa are made in house. The bar features a unparalleled craft margarita and cocktail menu using the freshest ingredients and highest quality spirits. Quinch your thirst with a wide variety of Mexican beers as well as a selection of locally crafted brews.

Jose's Courtroom 1037 Prospect St, La Jolla joses.com | 858-454-7655



Best Ocean View (tie)

The Marine Room

Since 1941, one symbol has stood for the most exquisite dining experience in San Diego. The Seahorse symbol of The Marine Room has earned countless accolades. Critics have described its privileged setting on La Jolla's finest beach and the thrill of being "eye-level" with the crashing surf at high tide. The culinary artistry of Executive Chef Bernard Guillas and Chef de Cuisine Ron Oliver has been called "world-class" for its devotion to fresh seafood, seasonal variety, hand-selected local ingredients and award winning desserts. Marine Room

2000 Spindrift Dr, La Jolla marineroom.com | 858-459-7222

Brockton Villa

Located directly across from the world-famous La Jolla Cove, locals and visitors alike love Breakfast and Lunch at Brockton Villa! With a huge menu of delicious options including the equally World Famous Coast Toast $^{\text{TM}}$ gand the Crab Ipanema Benedict. This historic seaside restaurant offers signature "Brocktail" drinks which are the perfect accompaniment.

Brockton Villa 1235 Coast Blvd, La Jolla brocktonvilla.com | 858-454-7393



Best Omlette (tie)

Richard Walker's Pancake House

(See listing under Best Breakfast)

Harry's Coffee Shop

(See listing under Best Family Restaurant)



Lean and Green

(See listing under Best Healthy Dining)



Best Oysters

Herringbone

(See listing under Best Bar)



Best Pancakes (tie)

Richard Walker Pancake House

(See listing under Best Breakfast)

Harry's Coffee Shop

(See listing under Best Family Restaurant)

and airy interior décor features an exhibition kitchen and full service bar. Choose from two tree-covered outside patios – perfect for a private event or al fresco dining. The Executive Chef, Pepe Ccapatinta, has thoughtfully developed a menu with recipes from all over Italy. Piatti features Italian-inspired, seasonally-dictated cuisine with an emphasis on local farms and producers. Enjoy simple rustic, flavorful cuisine with unpretentious design, an approachable and wine list – many of which are served via our barrel-to-table program – a comprehensive offering of craft

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Best Pizza (tie)

Mr. Moto

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617 Pearl St, La Jolla mrmotopizza.com | 858-729-0717

Piazza 1909

(See listing under Best Pasta)

Best Prime Rib

Eddie V's

In search of delicious, expertly prepared seafood and steaks? Look no further than Eddie V's Prime Seafood, where they promise to deliver a vast array of fresh seafood, like raw oysters and Pacific Ahi Tuna, made from the freshest ingredients prepared with you in mind. To complement your meal they offer hand-crafted cocktails poured with precision and a extensive wine menu curated by the sommelier. For a comfortable yet intimate bar with live jazz music, exquisite drinks and appetizers, this is a great option.

Eddie V's 1270 Prospect St | 858-459-5500 eddiev.com



Best Ribs

Bubba's Smokehouse

(See listing under Best Comfort Food)



Best Woodfired Pizza (tie)

Sammy's Woodfired Pizza

Families count on Sammy's for their family night out. Patrons clearly support Sammy's mission to mix flavor with freshness in its pizza. Forget the boring cheese and pepperoni of old — Sammy's redefines the genre with pies such as artichoke and homemade sauce, five cheeses or a salad pizza comprising organic arugula, pear and prosciutto. How about soups like lobster bisque and Kobe beef chili; not what you'd expect from a typical pizza place. Sammy's also offers a menu for the kids.

Sammy's Woodfired Pizza 702 Pearl St, La Jolla sammyspizza.com | 858-456-5222

Wheat & Water

Wheat & Water opened in 2016 with a mission to keep things simple – tasty eats, great drinks and stellar service.



and coming soon: Waterfront · Liberty Station

Wheat & Water specializes in wood $fired\ pizza, shared\ plates, healthy\ salads$ and charcuterie. They believe food tastes better when it's made with fresh, locally-sourced ingredients, and it's even more satisfying when it features familiar flavors that remind you of home. Be it an old favorite or a fresh, first bite, create new memories while sharing meals with friends and family. Wheat & Water

5737 La Jolla Blvd, Bird Rock wheatandwater.com | 858-291-8690



Best Place to People Watch (tie)

Living Room

(See listing under Best Café)

Cody's

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Beaumont's Eatery

(See listing under Best Bar)



Best Place to go on a Budget

Don Carlos

(See listing under Best Burrito)



Best Place for B-day Party

Sammy's Woodfired Pizza (See listing under Best Woodfired Pizza)



Most Romantic

Osteria Romantica

Located in the heart of La Jolla shores, this simple but wonderfully comfortable setting, Osteria Romantica generates good feelings as one dines on its good food. The voices of Pavarotti and other famous singers emerge from the background, filling the room softly with operatic melodies. An outside patio provides seating for diners who wish to enjoy the sunny afternoons and cool La Jolla evenings. Opened by Fabio Speziali and Antonio Mastellone in 2004. Speziali grew up in the Lake Como region of northern Italy. Mastellone, who also owns several other local restaurants, grew up in Sorrento, Italy. Both are from different regions of Italy, but we create together and offer dishes from all of Italy. Enjoy the regular Best Specialty Drink menu and daily specials.

Osteria Romantica 2151 Avenida De La Playa osteriaromantica.com 858-551-1221



Best Roof Top Dining

George's at the Cove

(See listing under Best Atmospere)



Best Salad (tie)

Lean and Green Café

(See listing under Best Healthy Food)

Mary's Gourmet Salads

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Best Sandwich (tie)

Jersey Mike's

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7836 Herschel Ave, La Jolla jerseymikes.com | 858-200-9888

Small Goods Cheese Shop & Cafe

(See listing under Best Grab & Go)



Best Seafood (tie)

Truluck's

(See listing under Best Overall)

El Pescador

El Pescador first opened its doors in Del Mar in 1974. In 1978, sixteen year old Sean Shannon traded his paper route in for his first real job, "El Pescador-clean-up-kid". Seven years later Shannon opened his own store on Pearl Street in La Jolla. Since then the menu has increased to an array of chargrilled and sauteed seafood items. The full service fish market remains unsurpassed for its quality and selection. Serving San Diego for over 35 years! El Pescador

634 Pearl St, La Jolla elpescadorfishmarket.com 858-456-2526



Best Soup (tie)

Smallgoods Cheese Shop

(See listing under Best Grab & Go)

Parakeet Cafe

Fact is, food tastes better when it's real, that's why the health conscious, nondieters, vegans, vegetarian, paleo, keto and gluten-free eaters love the Parakeet. They source the highest quality ingredients from local organic farms, not only because they taste better and deliver maximum nutrition, but because is better for the planet and made with love. Parakeet Cafe

927 Silverado St, La Jolla parakeetcafe.com | 858-412-5627



The Shores Restaurant

(See listing under Best Sunday Brunch)



Best Sports Bar (tie)

Draft Republic (See listing under Best American)

Public House

(See listing under Best Beer Selection)



Mermaids & Cowboys

(See listing under Best New Restaurant)

Flemmings

Restaurateurs Paul Fleming and Bill Allen, opened the first Fleming's in Newport Beach. The vision was to create a steakhouse experience with an emphasis on generous hospitality, inviting atmosphere and the finest aged USDA Prime beef. In addition the founders focused on an exceptional wine list for their guest to enjoy.

Flemmings 8970 University Ctr Ln, **University City** flemingssteakhouse.com 858-535-0078





Voted Best Italian

Cafe Milano

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> Café Milano 711 Pearl St. | (858) 454-3806 cafemilanolajolla.com



Voted Best Café

Living Room Coffeehouse

The Living Room has truly lived up to its name in La Jolla. A European Café with a Californian flair. The café has drawn young and old alike to sip tea, coffee and deluxe smoothies in a homey ambiance furnished with antique, ornate coaches and wooden tables. Patrons find the communal atmosphere inspiring and relaxing; you'll find groups of friends smoking the hookah on the upstairs patio and others poring over books in the back. Scrumptious desserts are available, along with wine, beer, cocktails and hookah tobacco. Enjoy the views from the second floor ocean view room. Try our daily lunch special. Open late 'til midnight every day. Takeout available. Celebrating our 28th Anniversary.

> Living Room Cafe 1010 Prospect St, La Jolla livingroomusa.com | 858-459-1187

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Don Carlos Taco Shop



If a picture is worth a thousand words, Don Carlos Taco Shop has singlehandedly written every book published in the last 40 years. The eatery's website makes regular Mexican entries look like virtual portraits – the enchiladas, carne asada and, yes, burritos make you think you're already at the restaurant. If things look that appetizing from afar, imagine what awaits you when you ufinally pay a visit.



■ READERS CHOICE AWARDS 2021 ■

Best Sunday Brunch

The Shores Restaurant

A local lady regaled everybody with a story about some scuttled Mother's Day plans and how she'd prayed for a last-minute opening here -- wouldn't you know her entreaty was answered for all 712 members of her family. Not only is this iconic restaurant's food the best in the universe; so's the service, even on an excrutiatingly busy day. No word on whether the party was treated to a show of the ocean waves on the windows.

The Shores Restaurant 8110 Camino del Oro, La Jolla theshoresrestaurant.com 866-644-2630



Best Surf & Turf (tie)

Eddie V's

(see listing under Best Steak)

Truluck's

(see listing under Best Overall)

Best Sushi

Himitsu

Born in Tokyo with inspiration from the sushi bars of Ginza and the So.Cal. lifestyle, Himitsu introduces Japanese culture, design and hospitality to San Diego. Their 9-person bar and 20 person outdoor patio is located in a discreet corner of La Jolla, a setting well suited for our name which translates to "secret" in Japanese.

Himitsu 1030 Torrey Pines Rd G, La Jolla 858-263-4463

Best Tacos (tie)

Taco Stand

When's the last time you had a custom-made taco? Usually, those things are one-and-done, with a particular size fitting all. Not here -- here, you can pretty much make your own stuff, with (almost) all the guacamole you can stand. You can do the same thing in downtown Encinitas. Or you could go on a run between the three and see which is better. Chances are the quality's set at the same high standard.

Taco Stand 621 Pearl St, La Jolla letstaco.com | 858-551-6666

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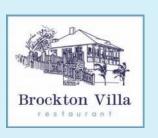


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made blue corn tortillas," said GM Douglas McCallum, who encourages patrons to "visit our popular eatery for unique artisanal takes on tacos, ceviches, margaritas and more in a bright and breezy eclectic dining room." Check out Puesto's happy hour, Taco Tuesday and the Taco Bar Saturday nights.

1026 Wall St, La Jolla eatpuesto.com | 858-454-1260



Best Take-Out (tie)

Don Carlos

(See listing under Best Burrito)

China Chef

(See listing under Best Chinese)



Best Thai (tie) Spice & Rice Thai Kitchen

This establishment offers a tantalizing menu and a clean-air approach to dining. Be warned: Many of the dishes are on the spicy side, like those in many Thai restaurants. The kitchen is accommodating and will moderate the seasoning to suit your taste. Most dishes can be made as a vegetarian version. Prices are quite appealing, and the Thai salads are excellent. Sit back, relax and enjoy a little spice and rice in your life. Spice & Rice Thai Kitchen

7734-C Girard Ave, La Jolla spiceandricethaikitchen.com | 858-456-0466

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Aroi Thai 7523 Fay Ave, Ste A, La Jolla aroithailajolla.com | 858-729-1883

Best Vegan

El Avocado

(See listing under Best Healthy Dining)



Best Vegetarian

Lean and Green Café

(See listing under Best Healthy Dining)

Trilogy Sanctuary

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Best Wings

Hennessey's Tavern

(See listing under Best Bars)



Best Wine Bar (tie)

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Nine-Ten

(See listing under Best Chef)



Best Wine Shop (tie)

Bird Rock Fine Wine

Bird Rock Fine Wine is a traditional 'brick and mortar' store located in the Bird Rock area of La Jolla. It opened in 2012, and still has the same local owner, Ken Chalmers.

Bird Rock Fine Wine 5687 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla birdrockfinewine.com | 858-230-6956

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