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 2018 Reader’s Choice Awards.

Blake Bunch
Editor, La Jolla Village News
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 70 categories, our extensive tequila list, award winning atmosphere that parallels the quality while keeping true to the flavors of Mexico. The restaurant's team creates a welcoming atmosphere that parallels the luxury resort-style interior of each Red O restaurant. Red O also features an impressive bar and lounge, where you'll find their specialty cocktails, an extensive tequila list, award winning wine list, and live entertainment. Red O Dining at Red O is an experience like no other – offering classic Mexican dishes as well as prime steak and seafood, showcased through flavorful and inspired preparations of local and sustainable ingredients. The Red O culinary team thrives on the creation of flavorful dishes with a focus on quality while keeping true to the flavors of Mexico. The restaurant's team of friendly employees create a welcoming atmosphere that parallels the luxury resort-style interior of each Red O restaurant. Red O also features an impressive bar and lounge, where you'll find their specialty cocktails, an extensive tequila list, award winning wine list, and live entertainment.

**Red O Restaurants**

- **4340 La Jolla Village Drive (858) 291-8360**

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**Best American 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 cocktails. Challenge friends
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The Truluck’s La Jolla Team would like to extend sincerest thanks to our loyal customers for these honors.

Best Overall Restaurant • Best Crab • Best Seafood • Best Happy Hour

We look forward to serving you again soon, and ensuring that the experience you receive always lives up to these accolades. Cheers!

Here’s to hospitality.

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Truluck’s
Truluck’s is an escape — a getaway for those wanting lighter fare, Bubba’s Smoke House 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 the bagel place is busier than Eddie V’s Prime Seafood, compared seafood and steaks? Look no further than Eddie V’s Prime Seafood. Where to find 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 Truluck’s cocktail hour from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. daily and enjoy specially priced appetizers and drink menu.

Best Apetizer Cantina
Located on the top floor of the newly redesigned La Plaza center on the historic corner of Wall and Girard in La Jolla, Catania is the result of the vision of Whisknladle Hospitality owner Arturo Kassel and Culinary Partner/Director Ryan Johnston who were inspired by a two-week, 1,400 mile road trip throughout Italy years ago. The restaurant provides guests with authentic Italian coastal cuisine in a relaxed, yet elevated setting featuring panoramic ocean views.

Cantina
7863 Girard Ave. | (858) 551-5105
cataniasd.com

Best Atmosphere (tie)
Marine Room
Celebrating 78 years of “Surfside Sophistication.” Since 1941, one symbol has stood for the most exquisite dining experience in San Diego. The Seashore symbol of The Marine Room. During this time, The Marine Room has earned countless accolades. Renowned 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 Guil-las 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. Others have defined the experience as “sophistica-tion with a sense of delight.” But their greatest satisfaction comes simply from serving their guests—who come to celebrate the joy of life with good company, a perfectly-prepared meal, and a golden Pacific sunset to call their own. Join them for their 78th Anniversary, a year dedicated to the making of memor-orable experiences.

The Marine Room
2000 Spindrift Dr | (858) 459-7222
marineroom.com

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 Abalone, which are fresh from the farm and 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 Bakery
Sugar & Scribe
Home of Food Network Champion Chef Maeve. Sugar & Scribe is a quintessential La Jolla hangout. Featuring scratch-made breakfast and lunch, gourmet coffee bar, bakery and specialty cakes, catering, takeout and an award-winning bakery. Sugar and Scribe is a local favorite. Open daily at 7am.

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

Best Bar
Hennessey’s Tavern
Every tavern seems to do spicy buffalo chicken wings these days, and they’re probably pretty good for the most part – but for your money, Hennessey’s corners the market, and the staff isn’t telling how. Maybe they, like, put something illegal in the chicken or the spice or both; that might account for one hungry guy’s actual teleportation to Ireland, where the venue’s motto comes from. Or maybe it’s that wings go with just about everything, which is also in ample supply at Hennessey’s. You can ponder the reasons to your heart’s content here; there’s even a fire pit to help shed some light.

Hennessey’s
7811 Herschel Ave. | (858) 551-6772
hennesseytavern.com

Best Beer Selection (tie)
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Family owned and bottles its beer in a converted greenhouse just east of Pacific Beach. Don’t fret – La Jollans can go here too, and in fact they shouldn’t
miss out on the freshness and flavor Karl Strauss has to offer. Strauss brews 30 beers each year with seasonal offerings and sends it to 2,500 bars, restaurants, liquor stores and grocery stores throughout So. California. Meanwhile, sipping a cold brew at the La Jolla restaurant is of cultural importance!

Karl Strauss Brewery
1044 Wall St. | (858) 551-2739
karlstrauss.com

Draft Republic
(See listing under Best American)

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. These things are served seconds after 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. | (858) 459-8800
richardwalkers.com

Don Carlos Taco Shop
If a picture is worth a thousand words, Don Carlos Taco Shop has single-handedly 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 Taco Shop
737 Pearl St., Ste. 113
(858) 456-0482
eataburrito.com

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Best Brewery
Karl Strauss
(See listing under Best Beer Selection)

Best Burger
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. | (858) 456-0196
burgerlounge.com
Voted Best Ocean View

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Jean-Michael® Bistro du Marché
(See listing under Best French)

Best Chocolate
Teuscher Chocolates of Switzerland
Teuscher Chocolates is located upstairs in the La Plaza La Jolla! Their first location in an organic garden in Julian. See if they bake in the European tradition and grows many of its fruits and vegetables in five different countries. They boast a wide variety of delectable treats – from truffles to holiday gift boxes and even milk chocolate animal figurines.

Best Comfort Food
Whisknladle
Whisknladle is where the magic first happened and where Chef Ryan won over local and national critics alike for his commitment to simple and seasonal scratch cooking. Their mission is to continue to make as much food from scratch in house as possible. Come in and experience the magic. “1 of 105 BEST NEW RESTAURANTS WORLD-WIDE” — Conde Nast Publications

Best Coffee Shop
Bird Rock Coffee Roasters
Bird Rock Coffee Roasters is proud to have put premiere, direct trade coffee on the map in San Diego, and has won multiple national and international awards for quality, taste, roasting and socially responsible practices. Bird Rock Coffee Roasters engage in direct trade with farmers, and is proud to serve the best green coffee, prepared with the utmost respect for those who produced it.

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. Gluten-free menu items like cashew nut chicken, shrimp with asorted vegetables and Kung-Po beef to cater to everyone’s taste.

Best Crab (tie)
Truluck’s
Best Deli
Girard Gourmet
Girard Gourmet is going on its 31st 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 custom-designed cookies don’t make you cry for more, like the chocolate croissants and raspberry rugelach. And don’t forget the special services, which

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**Girard Gourmet**
7837 Girard Ave. | (858) 454-3321
girardgourmet.com

**Best Dessert**
**Michelle Coulon Dessertier**
Michelle Coulon Dessertier desserts and savory offerings are made from the finest ingredients: fresh local organic produce, only real butter, and Belgian chocolate. It takes pride in creating spectacular wedding cakes and desserts appealing to the eye and tantalizing to the taste. Everything is made from the finest ingredients including local and organic. They believe that everything they serve must be delicious as well as beautiful. Celebrating their 17th year in La Jolla!

**Pannikin Coffee & Tea**
7467 Girard Ave. | (858) 454-5453
pannikincoffeetea.com

**Peet's Coffee**
When Alfred Peet opened a small coffee shop in Berkeley, CA, few noticed that a revolution was brewing. But, Mr. Peet had other plans. By 1969, Peet's Coffee & Tea had become a gathering place for coffee devotees, called Peetniks, and a magnet for other artisan food craftsmen. The world’s first “foodies" congregated in the storefronts around Peet’s Coffee and the area soon had a name – The Gourmet Ghetto. The artisan coffee movement was beginning to gain ground. Alfred Peet’s influence continued to grow as he inspired a new generation of coffee entrepreneurs, including the founders of Starbucks.

**Best Family Restaurant**
**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. It has become an institution in La Jolla since it opened more than 50 years ago. Open at 6 in the morning, closed by 3 in the afternoon, Harry’s remains a familiar, friendly place near and dear to La Jolla’s hearts.

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**Best Dinner (tie)**
**Whisknladle**
(See listing under Best Comfort Food)

**Nine-Ten**
(See listing under Best Chef)

**Best Espresso (tie)**
**Pannikin Coffee & Tea**
Did you know the Pannikin has been named Best Espresso (tie) in San Diego? They take great pride in creating coffee, fine imported teas and freshly roasted coffee and bakes daily for all to enjoy. They’ve been preparing their award winning fish and chips the same way since the day they opened in 1997. Their famous fish & chips served with hand cut french fries, house-made cole slaw, onion rings & a duo of sauces!

**Best Fish Taco (tie)**
**Wahoo’s Fish Tacos**
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**Best Gelato**
**Gelateria Frizzante**
Gelateria Frizzante serves 140 different gelato and sorbet flavors using fresh-frozen fruits and imported Italian ingredients. They have the best selection of authentic gelato in San Diego, which pairs perfectly with their Italian-style coffee and espresso drinks! All gelato and sorbetto is made daily and they brew only fresh-roasted beans from Hjelmer Coffee in Seattle.

**Best Greek**
**Apollonia**
Apollonia has been the destination of choice for La Jollans with an appetite for Greek delicacies. The restaurant has a handsome outdoor patio where shad-al fresco dining is delightful. Venture inside and you will find a charming ambience in every dining room and in the beautiful lounge. Menu includes age-old favorites such as Dolmathikia and Moussaka, alongside some absolute surprises guaranteed to tantalize your adventurous curiosity. They also offer many heart-healthy items prevalent in Greek cuisine. Apollonia’s service is very friendly and as pleasant as the food.

**Best Wine Selection**
**NINE TEN**
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**Rubio’s**
Enter Rubio’s, which serves some of the best and most totally inexpenisve Mexican you can find – like the killer seafood burritos and chicken, steak and veggie platter. Rubio’s honors environmentally sound fishing practices, helping control ocean populations as a fundamental part of food preparation. These guys save the oceans – you guys save the money.

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Best Grilled Cheese
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It all started with a passion for the Great American Grilled Cheese Sandwich and a Food Truck ... and experimenting with multiple flavors of cheesy goodness and the next generation of Artisan Sandwiches started rolling off the grill. Choose from over 10 delicious Chef Creations or build your own. They also offer a nice selection of Grater burgers, Pomme Frittes (Grater Cheese French Fries) and Mac and Cheese. Their slogan: “Making the World a Grater place, one grilled cheese at a time.”

Happy Hour Truluck’s
(See listing under Best Overall)

Best Healthy Dining
Lean & Green Café
Two amazing cafes conveniently located in La Jolla and now in Sorrento Valley. Lean and Green Café offers only the freshest and finest organic produce from locally grown sources and aims to satisfy your taste buds 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 organo-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, vegan-friendly café open for breakfast, lunch, dinner on the go.

Best Ice Cream
Cold Stone Creamery — making mouths happy with gusto, happily creating fresh ice cream batches every day in store on their signature frozen granite slab. Why change the best ice cream anywhere? High-quality ingredients are mixed with your favorite candy, fruits or nuts, their made-to-order ice cream treats include tons of tempting flavors like Oreos Overload from their Signature line and Churro Caramel Crevasse from their Hot Stone selections. Ice cream cakes, dreamy shakes created from their signature blend with tasty mix-ins, fresh smoothies made with real whole fruit and low-fat frozen yogurts.

Best Indian
Masala Street
Masala Street represents a culinary journey through the flavors of India and through the excellence of Grand Master Chef Hemant Oberoi, one of India’s most legendary chefs and his son Saransh Oberoi. In an illustrious career spanning four decades, he has cooked for kings, queens and heads of state as well as Hollywood and Bollywood royalty. Experience a new era of Indian dining. “Cooking is like love, both come from the heart. You have to be extremely passionate about what you do” says Chef Hemant Oberoi.

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Lupi Italian restaurant and wine bar has always been a La Jolla favorite for those who appreciate fine Italian wine and mouthwatering authentic cuisine. There’s always something new and delicious at Lupi Italian Restaurant. Partners Andriano Giapponese and Luiggi Torroner are constantly adding a new twist to the menu while keeping all your favorites. Stop by for Happy Hour specials from 5-7 PM Sunday thru Thursday. Enjoy — even out-of-the-country guests — with his homemade papardelle pasta, veal osso bucco, lobster ravioli and many other authentic Italian dishes. Café Milano is an exciting and incredible experience for the whole family at affordable prices. Early bird special: 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Choose a soup or salad, menu entree and dessert for $21.95. Open M-F 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m., Sat 2-10 p.m., Sun. 2-9 p.m.

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 leg cocktails. Challenge friends to a round of ping pong, billiards, shuffleboard or football. Don’t miss out on the food, fun and brews.

Lupi Italian Restaurant
5518 La Jolla Blvd.
(858) 454-6421
lupinvincucina.com

Lean and Green Cafe
915 Pearl St.  | (858) 412-5897
leanandgreencafe.com

Best Grilled Cheese
Grater Grilled Cheese

Dr. Larry Brown’s
8657 Villa la Jolla Dr. #105
La Jolla 92037
858.623.6840 www.lupivincucina.com

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

Lean and Green Cafe
Order on-line at leanandgreencafe.com or download the app

Best Indian
Masala Street

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Best Juice Bar
Juice Crafters
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Juice Crafters
935 Silverado St | (858) 459-0569
juicecrafters.com

Best Late Night Eatery
Living Room Coffeehouse
(See listing under Best Cafe)

Best Latte t ie
Brick & Bell
Brick & Bell has been described as a cozy, little coffee shop. One thing for sure, the scones have it! Apparently, the sell thousands of these wonderful pastries a year. What better to have in your coffee shop than 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

Starbucks
Their story began in 1971. Back then they were a roaster and retailer of whole bean and ground coffee, tea and spices. Their story began in 1971. Back then they were a roaster and retailer of whole bean and ground coffee, tea and spices. 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.

Starbucks
5637 Villa La Jolla Dr. | (858) 452-4205

Best Live Music t ie
The LOT
THE LOT was inspired by and created for this neighborhood and honors the sea, art, culture, food, music, weather, and the people that make La Jolla so singular and inspiring. 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 got what you are looking for!

The LOT
761 Fay Ave. | (858) 777-0069
thelotent.com

Beaumont's Eatery
Beaumont’s has become the focal point for nightlife in Bird Rock. Live local bands play on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, and neighbors love that there is a live music option right down the street. The menu is exceptional and unique, and it offers a range of entrées, from a juicy “Viking Burger” to Portuguese Seafood Stew. Weekend brunch with acoustic music performances is yet another favorite around the hood. Count on Beaumont’s for a great meal, great time and a chance to meet your neighbor!

Beaumont’s Eatery
5662 La Jolla Blvd. | (858) 459-0474
beaumontseatery.com

Best Lobster
Marine Room
(See listing under Best Atmosphere)

Best Lunch
The Lot
(See listing under Best Live Music)

Best Margarita
Puesto
Puesto scores big when it comes to Tacos 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 tacos on tequenos, civiches, 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, they have something for everyone.

Puesto
1026 Wall Street | (858) 454-1260
puestolos.com

Best Martini t ie
The Manhattan
Located inside the Empress Hotel, on Fay Avenue, Manhattan of La Jolla is a casual, elegant setting where you would go to romancing a beautiful woman while she sips her martini over dinner.

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**Brockton Villa Restaurant**

Located directly across from the world-famous La Jolla Cove, locals and visitors alike love Breakfast at Brockton Villa! With a huge menu of delicious breakfast options including the equally famous “Coast Toast” and the Wild Mushroom & Asparagus Omelette, this seaside location also offers Lunch, Social Hour, and Dinner. The signature “Brocktails” are the perfect accompaniment.

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

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Best Pastry (tie)

**Michelle Coulon**

**Desertian**

(See entry under Best Desserts)

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Best Pasta Dish (tie)

**Piazza 1909**

Voted Best Pasta Dish, Italian Cuisine, Pizza and Outdoor Dining. Most genuine Italian experience in La Jolla with Chef Stefano Ceresoli’s cuisine made from scratch. Fresh Seafood, Gluten Free and Vegan Friendly, Wine Bar, Dog Menu, Large Patios. Lunch, Dinner plus Weekend Brunch.

Piazza 1909
7731 Fay Ave. (858) 412-3108 piazz09.com

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Acquavite La Jolla

This is one of my favorite scratch kitchens, writes one happy patron. This romantic hidden getaway by the shores of La Jolla. So cozy, romantic and AMAZING food! I recommend the filet mignon with side of gold potatoes or the salmon with the lemon garlic spinach with tomato cherries. My hus-
band and I just spent out 10th year anniversary here and they sat us at the best place in the house AND they gave us a dessert on them. Give them a try!

Acquavite La Jolla
298 Prospect St. | (858) 886-7142
acquavitelajolla@GMAIL.com

Best Pizza
Pizza on Pearl
Too far from New York for thin crust pizza? No problem. There is authentic thin crust pies and slices right here. So whether you’re an east coast transplant, thin crust connoisseur, or a “newbie” to slices you can fold, you will love Pizza on Pearl in La Jolla. You’ll find pizza, calzones, stromboli, heroes, fresh salads, and desserts. They have got it all.

Dine In or Carry Out. If you can’t make up your mind on what to order, that’s ok. There are always a variety of slices to choose from. They buy only the best quality ingredients on the market. Everything is prepared daily. You, “their customers”, are the most important part of their business, and they “their customers”, are the most important part of their business, and they make sure that you are well cared for so you will keep coming back for more.

Pizza on Pearl
617 Pearl St. | (858) 729-0717
pizzaonpearl.com

Best Place to People Watch (tie)
Living Room
(See entry under Best Cafe)

The Lot
(See entry under Best Live Music)

Best Pet-Friendly Place
Beaumont’s
(See entry under Best Live Music)

Best Place to go on a Budget
Don Carlos
(See entry under Best Burrito)

Best Place for B-day Party
Sammy’s Woodfired Pizza
(See listing under Best Appetizer)

 edad 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 unifially pay a visit.

Don Carlos Taco Shop
737 Pearl St. | Ste. 113
(858) 456-0482
eataborrito.com

Voted Best Mexican Fast Food
Don Carlos Taco Shop

El Pescador
El Pescador first opened its doors in Del Mar in July of 1974. In 1976, 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 char-grilled and sauteed seafood items. The full service fish market remains unsurpassed for its quality and selection. It has now been proudly serving San Diego’s for over thirty years!

El Pescador
634 Pearl Street
(858) 456-2526
epescadorfishmarket.com

Best Specialty Drink
Mustangs & Burros
(See entry under Best Patios)

Donovan’s of La Jolla

The views at Donovan’s of La Jolla are inspiring and there is no bad seat in the house, so sit back and enjoy your favorite cocktail with the USDA Prime beef, the enter's star attraction. If steak isn’t in the plan, pork and veal chops and succulent seafood will satisfy the most discriminating of palates. And at Donovan’s, fresh seasonal vegetables and your choice of potato are included with each entrée.

Donovan’s of La Jolla
1250 Prospect St.
(858) 450-6666
donovanssteakhouse.com

Best Sports Bar
Draft Republic
(See entry under Best American)

Jersey Mike’s
The authentic Jersey taste and high quality ingredients that go into Jersey Mike’s subs are evident with every scrumptious bite. The sub shop’s meats and cheeses are of top-quality premium brands. The bread is freshly baked in-store daily and every sub is prepared on site right in front of you. Jersey Mike’s is committed to fresh flavor, top quality, authentic tradition and community.

Jersey Mike’s
7836 Herschel Ave. | (858) 200-9888
jerseymikes.com

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. Speziali said, “and we are from different regions of Italy. But we create together and offer dishes from all of Italy. Enjoy the regular menu and daily specials.

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

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 unifially pay a visit.

Don Carlos Taco Shop

Best Sandwich (tie)
Girard Gourmet
(See entry under Best Deli)

Best Salad
Lean and Green Café
(See entry under Best Healthy Food)

Best Place for B-day Party
Sammy’s Woodfired Pizza
(See listing under Best Appetizer)

Best Place for Prime Rib
Donovan’s
(See listing under Best Steak)

Most Romantic
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(858) 551-1221
osteriaromantica.com

Best Seafood (tie)
Truluck’s
(See entry under Best Overall)
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 excruciatingly busy day like hers. No word on whether the party was treated to a show of the ocean waves on the windows. It probably was.

The Shores Restaurant
8110 Camino del Oro
(866) 644-2630
theshoresrestaurant.com

Best Sushi

Cafe’ Japango
Cafe Japengo is a stellar name among sushi restaurants. Guests are invited to select from a delectable array of appetizers — including their celebrated Pan-steamed Duck Potstickers, Curry Dust-ed Calamari, Fire Roasted Oysters. Afterwards, savor the rich Japanese flavor of entrees such as 10-Ingredient Fried Rice, Vietnamese Crispy Pork, and Char Su Duck Salad. And to truly enhance your dining adventure, sample delights listed on our sushi menu, considered San Diego’s finest. Discover why our award-winning La Jolla restaurant has been voted “Best Sushi Restaurant” for eight consecutive years.

Cafe’ Japango
8960 University Center Lane
(858) 450-3355
cafejapengo.com

Sushi Mori
Located in the quaint area of La Jolla Shores, you can escape the hustle La Jolla. You’ll find an authentic selection of sushi at prices that will have you wanting more.

Sushi Mori
2161 Avenida De La Playa, La Jolla Shores
(858) 551-8481

Best Take-Out (tie)

Don Carlos
(See entry under Best Burrito)

Mandarin House
Mandarin House specializes in classic Chinese cuisine. They feature weekday lunch specials, nightly delivery, and a full bar for their dine in customers. They are a San Diego favorite for dates, take out and large parties for over 40 years! You must try their signature

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Best Thai
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.

Best Vegetarian
Lean and Green Café
(See entry under Best Healthy Dining)

Best Wings
Hennessey’s Tavern
(See entry under Best Bar)

Best Wine Bar
We Olive Wine Bar & Gourmet Foods
(See entry under Best Wine Shop)

Best Wine Selection
Nine-Ten
(See entry under Best Chef)

Best Wine Shop (tie)
We Olive Wine Bar & Gourmet Foods
The We Olive store and wine bar is located on Prospect Street in the heart of downtown La Jolla. Perched above La Jolla Cove. Enjoy the wine tasting on the balcony with stunning ocean and coastal views. They also feature complimentary tastings of all of their California extra virgin olive oils, vitamgors, and gourmet foods. That’s right—you always get to try before you buy! We Olive Wine Bar & Gourmet Foods 1158 Prospect St. | (858) 551-8250 weolive.com

Bev Mo
844 Pearl St. | (858) 729-0775 bevmo.com

Best Woodfired Pizza
Sammy’s Woodfired Pizza
(See listing under Best Appetizer)

Best Frozen Yogurt
Froglander’s
Froglander’s Frozen Yogurt has been dishing out chilly treats for more than 30 years. And in that time, they’ve had plenty of opportunity for delicious innovation. Sure, you can create-your-own frozen yogurt cup by choosing from the rotating flavors and fresh fruit and candy toppings, but you can also dig into an acaci bowl, sip on a frozen yogurt frappuccino, a classic banana split, or try an Affogato, an espresso shot poured on top of a vanilla or chocolate yogurt. With standard flavors of Original Tart, Vanilla, Chocolate, Peanut Butter, and a daily rotation of new flavors including Kona Coffee, Irish mint, red velvet, cake batter, and pomegranate raspberry. Daxx can create your own every time you visit. Also featuring organic gourmet coffee (cappuccino, espresso, etc.)

Froglander’s 915 Pearl St. | (858) 459-3764 froglanders.com

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