

MITCH'S L.A. NOW LIST

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RESTAURANTS:

****Old School Restaurant Shout-Outs**

Casita Del Campo (Mexican, Silverlake); La Bruschetta (Italian, Westwood); Hatfields (Progressive, on Beverly); Harold & Belle's (Creole, south of the 10, east of LaBrea), Cha Cha Cha (Latin, on Virgil)

Rivera (Downtown)

1050 S. Flower St.

Phone: 213.749.1460

<http://www.riverarestaurant.com/>

Note: creative Latin/Southwest creations from John Sedlar

Street (Hollywood)

742 N. Highland Ave.

Los Angeles, Ca 90038

323.203-0500

<http://www.eatatstreet.com/index.php>

Note: Susan Feniger's tribute to "street" foods around the world

Oliver (Beverly Hills)

9601 Wilshire Blvd

310-888-8160

http://www.olivercafe.com/oliver_cafe_beverly_hills.html

Note: healthy spa cuisine, always excellent

Validated parking off Camden Drive, entrance on Wilshire

Little Dom's (Los Feliz)

2128 Hillhurst

323 661 0055

www.littledoms.com

Note: valet parking, next to Tangier

Kitchen 24 (Hollywood)

1608 N. Cahuenga

323 465 2423

Note: counter available

www.kitchen24.info

Note: no reservations,

Valet parking is available 7 days,

11a-3p (free) & 7p-4a (\$10.00)

Loteria Grill (Hollywood)

6627 Hollywood Blvd.

323 465 2500

www.loteriagrill.com

Note: outgrowth of Farmer's Market stall place; Mexican-style ice cream is buzzed; open to 3 AM Thurs-Sat
Valet Parking

Palate Food & Wine (Glendale)

933 South Brand Blvd
818 662 9463

www.palatefoodwine.com

Note: Closed Sunday, chef Ocatvio Becerra,
Moderately priced

Akasha (Culver City)

9543 Culver Blvd
310 845 1700

www.akasharestaurant.com

Note: inspired New American cuisine
by chef Akasha Richmond

Gjelina (Venice)

1429 Abbot Kinney Blvd
(310) 450 1429

www.gjelinafood.com

Note: hip California cuisine

Luau (Beverly Hills)

369 N. Bedford Drive
310 274 0090

Note: Asian/Polynesian cuisine inspired by the original Luau in
Beverly Hills; highlight: salmon wrapped in a banana leaf

Animal (Fairfax district)

435 N. Fairfax Avenue
323 782 9225

www.animalrestaurant.com

Note: chefs from the Food Network show 2 Dudes Catering

LA Mill Coffee Boutique (Silver Lake)

1636 Silver Lake Blvd
323 663 4441

www.lamillcoffee.com

Note: Extensive coffee menu, breakfast, salads,
"ingenious desserts" (LA Times)

RH (inside Andaz Hotel, West Hollywood)

8401 Sunset Boulevardd
323-785-6090

www.andaz.com

Note: named for the "Riot House," the old nickname for this
incarnation of the rocker hotel Hyatt House. Progressive
cuisine with giant glass windows looking out on Sunset.

CLOTHING AND SPECIALTY STORES:

Sorum Noce (Melrose Heights)

8568 ¼ Melrose Ave

310 358 0541

www.sorumnoce.com

Note: men's rock and roll coutre co-founded
by Matt Sorum (Velvet Revolver, Cult, GNR)

Confederacy (Hollywood/Los Feliz)

4661 Hollywood Blvd

323 913 3040

Note: "high end indie fashion" like Rag and Bone

Space 15 Twenty (Hollywood)

1520 Cahuenga Blvd

323 785 4042

www.space15twenty.com

Note: hip "mini mall" built around an Urban
Outfitter's store, open until 11:00 PM. Site includes
What Goes Around Comes Around vintage store

Coco de Mer (Melrose Heights)

8618 Melrose Avenue

310 652-0311

<http://www.coco-de-mer.com/>

Note: Museum-like erotic boutique, high-end
And artful. Is the agony the new ecstasy?

Kangol (Venice)

1132 Abbot Kinney Boulevard

(310) 399-8444

<http://www.kangolstore.com/>

Note: Headgear alert: Long-running Brit headgear
company opens first U.S. store.

COOL THINGS TO DO

Downtown Los Angeles Art Walk

on the Second Thursday of every month 12 to 9 PM

<http://www.DowntownArtWalk.com>

Note: shuttle service

Grammy Museum (Downtown LA)

At L.A. LIVE

<http://www.grammymuseum.org/>

Note: more fun than you might think,
and amazing artist showcases

La Luz de Jesus Gallery (East Hollywood)

4633 Hollywood Blvd

323 666 7627e

<http://www.laluzdejesus.com/>

Note: showcases mainly figurative, narrative paintings,

and unusual sculpture. Inside the mega-sized and ultra-cool

Wacko/Soap Plant store

<http://www.soapplant.com/business.html>

Downtown Walking Tours (Downtown Los Angeles)

<http://www.laconservancy.org/>

Note: Self-guided and docent-led including the Saturday Broadway Historic Theatre District Walking Tour

GREAT WALKING AREAS FOR SHOPPING/CAFES:

Abbot Kinney (**Venice**) (First Fridays of each month, stores open to 10:00 PM)

Sunset Junction (**Los Angeles**)

Melrose Avenue (**Los Angeles**)

La Brea (**Los Angeles**)

Third Street (**Los Angeles**)

Melrose Heights (**West Hollywood**)

Robertson Blvd (**West Hollywood**)

Cahuenga Corridor and adjacent Hollywood and Sunset Blvd.
(**Hollywood**)

Ventura Blvd (**Studio City/Sherman Oaks**)

Vermont Avenue/Hillhurst/East Hollywood Blvd (**Los Feliz**)

Main Street/Washington Blvd (**Culver City**)

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