

WEST HOLLYWOOD

HEART OF LA



A vibrant urban metropolis by day and a rowdy revellers playground by night, West Hollywood combines the best of both worlds.

Bursting with luxe boutiques, trendy eateries, iconic clubs, hip bars and sophisticated hotels, there is something new and exciting to discover around every corner. From the edgy Design District to the iconic Sunset Strip, and the heart of West Hollywood's LGBTQ scene on Santa Monica Boulevard, our curated 5-page guide takes you on an adventure through the streets of West Hollywood featuring all the best places to eat, sleep, play and stay.

Whether you're a party animal, a shopper on a mission, a foodie, or a die hard music fan, this guide has it all!

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SUNSET STRIP

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Nowhere is the nightlife more eclectic, wonderful or notoriously wild than West Hollywood's iconic Sunset Strip.

The centre of cultural protests in the 60's and rock 'n' roll decadence and debauchery in the 70's and 80's, this 2.4 kilometre stretch is today still a vibrant round-the-clock playground for revellers, party-goers and musos seeking the ultimate 'West Hollywood' experience. Boasting a myriad of gourmet restaurants, rustic pubs, chic bars and iconic entertainment venues, it's a non-stop hive of activity.

Laugh until you cry at a stand-up comedy show, mingle with A-listers and celebrities at an exclusive rooftop bar, shop until you drop at the designer boutiques or dance the night away at a gig - this lively hot spot is unlike anywhere else you've been!

ESSENTIAL EXPERIENCES

Whisky a Go-Go

Playing host to some of rock n roll's most legendary icons including Janis Joplin, Led Zeppelin and The Doors, Whisky a Go-Go is a staple in the LA rock scene and a popular venue to catch a live gig in a gritty, grunge-rock atmosphere.

The Comedy Store

Hosting a stellar line-up of stand-up comedians every night of the week, the Comedy Store is a go-to for non-stop laughs! Since opening in 1972, the venue's iconic Amateur Night has debuted comedic greats including Jim Carrey, Ed Begley Jr. and David Letterman.

Skybar at Mondrian

A long time Sunset Strip favourite, the Skybar is a popular hangout for glamorous poolside fun that continues late into the evening. Get cosy in a secluded nook and enjoy refreshing cocktails, stunning cityscape views and the occasional A-list sighting.

Sunset Plaza

Boasting a myriad of designer boutiques, al fresco cafes and trendy bistros, the Sunset Plaza is a shopper's haven and essential pit-stop whilst exploring the Sunset Strip. Wine, dine and watch the world go by at this ultra-chic shopping hub.

The Roxy Theatre

A legend within the LA live music scene, The Roxy Theatre has played host to some of the most iconic musicians, actors and comedians of all time. From headliners to local up-and-comers, this vibrant venue never disappoints!

Rainbow Bar & Grill

A popular 1970's and 80's celebrity rocker hangout and the scene of many extravagant A-list parties including an infamous bash for Elton John, this lively restaurant, bar and club is a local institution and the perfect start or end to a fun-filled night out!

WHERE TO EAT

Saddle Ranch Chop House

Come for the home-style comfort food, flame grilled cuts and down-home hospitality, and stay late to enjoy the playful atmosphere, infamous mechanical bull and one-of-a-kind entertainment.

The Eveleigh

Boasting rustic farm-to-table cuisine, a bespoke cocktail list, chic interiors and a greenery adorned patio, the Eveleigh is a Sunset Strip hidden gem that you'll be happy you found!

Night + Market

Known for serving some of the best Thai cuisine in LA, each dish from chef Kris Yenbamroong's expertly crafted menu delights your taste-buds with the tantalising flavours and aromas of Thailand - the pork toro is a must order!

OUR MUST SEE

Famous for its celebrity clientele, 24/7 dining and a features in several TV series and films including 'American Graffiti', Mel's Drive-In is a Sunset Strip icon. Sporting tableside jukeboxes, 1950's retro decor and a menu full of classic American comfort food, no trip to West Hollywood is complete without a visit to this nostalgic diner.



SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD

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Where the famous Route 66 passes through West Hollywood, it's more commonly known as Santa Monica Boulevard and is the heart of the LGBTQ scene in the city. This is where you want to be if you want to eat, shop and play in the one spot!

It's here where you can experience some of the most iconic establishments in LA; whether it is catching a live show at the legendary Troubadour, enjoying everything from classic farm-to-table dining to classic American burgers, or immersing yourself in the heart of the LGBTQ scene at the world-famous LA Pride Parade.

If it's great food, shopping or nightlife you are looking for, Santa Monica Boulevard will welcome you with open arms.

ESSENTIAL EXPERIENCES

Troubadour

A legendary all-ages rock club, the Troubadour is a West Hollywood icon that has helped launch the careers of some of the music's greatest performers, including Elton John and James Taylor. It's a must for all live music fans!

Pump Restaurant

Self-proclaimed 'Sexiest Restaurant in West Hollywood', Pump Restaurant transports guests into a magical garden, with 100 year old olive trees and antique stone fountains alongside casual but elegant international dishes.

The Abbey

Popular amongst the LGBTQ community, The Abbey is an L.A. icon and two-time winner of the MTV Best Gay Bar in The World Award. The lines can get long on the weekends, but with four full bars and 25 years of success, it is worth lining up for.

Voda Spa

A blend of traditional spa and modern luxury, this well-known day spa offers a complete day of relaxation, including traditional Russian sauna, massages, facials and other treatments, as well as the chance to finish off with a meal and a signature cocktail.

The Surly Goat

The Surly Goat is a craft beer lover's dream, with 27 rotating taps and 'Surly Cellar' - a range of unique bottled beers designed to be shared amongst friends. There's also plenty of games to keep you occupied while knocking back a few cold ones.

Harlowe

Step into Harlowe and be transported back to the Golden Era of Hollywood. The vibe is Hollywood social club, the drinks are classic, the food blends old and new and the dancefloor is always buzzing.

WHERE TO EAT

Laurel Hardware

This modern restaurant serves farm-to-table New American fare and upscale cocktails, located in a former hardware store that has been beautifully refurbished inside while retaining the classic exterior.

Connie & Ted's

This seafood restaurant is owned by Michael Cimarusi, and is named in honour of his grandparents, who met in 1938 and passed their love of fishing onto Michael. The seafood here is prepared simply and inspired by the traditions of New England.

Irv's Burgers

Irv's is the epitome of the classic American burger shack. Dating back to 1950, Irv's serves up no-nonsense American burgers and hand-cut fries in an unassuming environment. This is where you'll feel part of the West Hollywood community.

OUR MUST SEE

West Hollywood comes alive every June for LA Pride Week, with the LA Pride Parade forming the centrepiece as it makes its way down Santa Monica Boulevard. If you can't be there to celebrate in June, there's a regular lineup of celebrations and events throughout the year.



WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT

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A vibrant cultural destination, West Hollywood's Design District is a hive of activity when it comes to design, art, fashion, shopping and dining. Encompassing Melrose Avenue, Robertson Boulevard, and Beverly Boulevard, the uber-trendy Design District promises something unique and exciting no matter which way you turn.

Be cultured at the Pacific Design Center before sitting down to an exquisite world-class dish at Wolfgang Puck's red|seven restaurant; curate your dream home at RH West Hollywood; meet the famous duo behind Art Angels, or shop up a storm on Melrose Avenue before mixing with the Young Hollywood set at the very cool E.P. & L.P.

West Hollywood's Design District is where the trends start and end, it's where you go to be seen, and where you can discover the nitty gritty of the city and what makes it tick.

ESSENTIAL EXPERIENCES

Pacific Design Center

Nicknamed the "Blue Whale", the iconic blue-tinted building is located at the heart of West Hollywood's Design District. Browse designer collections, pop-up art exhibitions, or for more of an architectural focus, pop next door to MOCA.

RH West Hollywood, The Gallery

The crown jewel of the Design District, this chic 40,000-square-foot retail space encompasses a series of garden terraces, courtyards, showrooms, interior boutiques and an interactive design atelier, as well as a very trendy rooftop park.

Art Angels

A female-run contemporary pop-art venture that specialises in both emerging and established pop-oriented artists. The 3,500-square-feet is filled with bold statement pieces - think Barbie, Hello Kitty, abstract shapes and cheeky portraits!

Melrose Avenue

The perfect mix of shopping, dining and entertainment, Melrose Avenue is home to Nike by Melrose, the first Nike Live concept store, as well as the famous pink Paul Smith store, and even Glossier, which is tucked away on Melrose Place.

Unplug Meditation

Offering a variety of simple and eclectic classes, Unplug is a minimalistic and very chic meditation studio where you are encouraged to switch off, leave your phone at reception and enjoy the soothing tones of some of the country's top meditation experts.

Benjamin Salon

Covered in local art that you can purchase (including a floor-to-ceiling piece made completely of hair extensions!), this chic upmarket hair salon is more like a sanctuary, encouraging an understated approach to simple beauty.

WHERE TO EAT

E.P. & L.P. Eating House and Rooftop

The brainchild of Australian entrepreneur Grant Smillie, this multi-level eatery is the place to be seen! Sip on an Aperol Spritz amongst the rooftop fairy lights before heading downstairs for some Asian street food and some serious celeb-spotting.

Madison & Park

Set up more like a lounge than a coffee shop, with couches and soft chairs scattered around, this trendy new roastery offers free WiFi alongside its espressos, drip coffee and delicious pastries - there's even Madison & Park merchandise to really get into the spirit!

Viale dei Romani

Tucked away off the lobby entrance inside the La Peer Hotel, this intimate eatery is inspired by the Mediterranean and serves up everything from pasta to pizza, to wood-oven seafood, raw fish dishes and more.

OUR MUST SEE

Live like a West Hollywood local and grab a cold brew at the Insta-worthy Alfred Coffee in the Alley, and a delicious doughnut from The Assembly, before doing a spot of window shopping on Melrose Avenue, and Robertson and Beverly Boulevards. Also, don't forget to check out the city's incredible murals along the way!



ACCOMMODATION



Ramada Plaza West Hollywood

★★★★★ 8585 Santa Monica Boulevard, 90069 West Hollywood, USA



Le Parc Suite Hotel

★★★★★ 733 North West Knoll Drive, 90069 West Hollywood, USA



Montrose West Hollywood

★★★★★ 900 Hammond Street, 90069 West Hollywood, USA



Sunset Marquis Hotel

★★★★★ 1200 Alta Loma Road, 90069 West Hollywood, USA



Andaz West Hollywood

★★★★★ Andaz West Hollywood-a concept by Hyatt



Petit Ermitage

★★★★★ 8822 Cynthia Street, 90069 West Hollywood, USA

