# Palm Springs

If you're looking for places to eat, shops to peruse or things to do, here's some of our all time favorites in and around the city. Enjoy your stay!

### Coffee ---

### **CAFE LA JEFA**

Great coffee you can grab and go, and good food if you want to sit down instead! Cute spot.

### **KOFFI**

Cinnamon Vanilla Cold Brew Fusion is a favorite. Also have breakfast sammies and other quick breakfast items to pick up! Don't recommend the pastries though.

#### **ERNEST COFFEE**

Good coffee and pastries and a nice cool, indoor place to sit and work if you need to, (but hopefully you don't have to).

### Breakfast & Brunch

### **CHEEKY'S**

Our favorite breakfast spot. Lines get long so send someone in your group to get in line early! Famous for bacon flights but everything is delicious.

#### KING'S HIGHWAY

At the Ace Hotel, casual and unique diner-style meal!

### **GABINO'S CREPERIE**

If you don't want a sit down, grab some crepes! Sweet and savory.

### **JAKE'S**

You go for the brunch but you stay for the giant and incredible slices of cake. Get a slice to go if you're too stuffed from breakfast. Just do it.

### **BOOZEHOUNDS**

Gorgeous restaurant. Go for the yummy menu, stay for the cute dogs running around the patio.

### **FRUIT WONDERS**

Delicious smoothies & acai bowls! Berry Greatful and Bleutiful are our family's faves. Acai bowls are awesome except tell them to hold the oatmeal and get extra granola instead.

### **NORMA'S**

At the gorgeous Parker Hotel. Pricey but delicious. Famous for their pancakes. Reservations are required!

### **WILMA & FRIEDA**

Churro Waffle and California Benny, plus lots of build-your-own options. Crowd pleaser and YUMMY!

### **TOWNIE BAGELS**

Pastries are good, bagel sandwiches are fine if you aren't from the NJ/NY tri-state area.

### **ELMER'S DINER**

Listen, the food isn't anything to write home about, but it's your regular ol' classic diner with a big menu and they give kids super hero masks. Sometimes that's just what you need!

### THE PINK CABANA

A cute spot with Mediterranean cuisine, decked out in pink and green and inspired by tennis clubs of the 1950s!

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### Lunch

### THE SANDWICH SPOT

Our favorite sandwiches in the desert! They're all good, you can't go wrong. Highly recommend the Dutch crunch bread. Eat in or take out!

### **NATURE'S HEALTH FOOD & CAFE**

Vegan-friendly market that has a wide selection of veggie & vegan sandwiches, wraps, burgers and even a vegan date shake.

#### THE REAL ITALIAN DELI

Great sandwiches inside this Italian market, so you can pick up some delicious pasta and goodies to cook with, too!

### **ASPEN MILLS BAKERY & CAFE**

Pick up a sandwich here to take home or buy some fresh bread to make your own instead!

#### **CHICKEN RANCH**

Lunch spot right in town, rotisserie chicken sandwiches, salads, and more.
Good deals at happy hour, too!

### FELIPE'S

Family-owned Mexican restaurant with all the staple dishes you want & need!

## Dinner

### **WORKSHOP KITCHEN**

Really cool environment and incredible cocktails. Menu changes frequently, but everything we've had is 10 stars. Reservation recommended.

### **BOOZEHOUNDS**

Unique SoCal-inspired menu and excellent cocktails, plus it is STUNNING! Dog friendly.

### **EL JEFE**

At the Saguaro Hotel, we love their guacamole and margaritas and there's usually some fun lawn games on the property to play after dinner!

### BAR CECIL

If you want a fancy night out, go here.

Gorgeous environment and delicious

upscale food.

### MR. LYON'S

Old school, upscale, dark and moody steak house for a nice dinner out.

### **ROOSTER & THE PIG**

Awesome Vietnamese food, no reservations (walk-ins only) and gets busy so plan accordingly!

### **BILL'S PIZZA**

Your standard pizza joint. Perfect to take out for a pizza night at home!

### KING'S HIGHWAY

At the Ace Hotel, nice spot for casual, American fare with a twist.

### BIRBA

Delicious fancy pizza in cozy outdoor environment. Great for large groups, get a bunch of pizzas so you can try them all, but make a reservation!

### **SANDFISH SUSHI**

Great sushi all around. Eat in (but make a reservation) or take out.

### **1501 UPTOWN GASTROPUB**

If your crowd wants to catch a game, this is the place to post up and watch. Bar food, and some outdoor games for the kids!

### **GIUSEPPE'S**

Classic Italian restaurant with a big menu with pizza, pasta and more to please everyone!

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## Sweets & Treats

### ICE CREAM & SHOP(PE)

Unique ice cream flavors you've gotta try, plus a cute little gift shop attached to it too!

### **FRUIT WONDERS**

We tend to take an afternoon break from the pool and grab some smoothies and acai bowls to cool down. Berry Grateful and Bluetiful are family favorites.

### **GREAT SHAKES**

The greater Palm Springs area is known for their famous Date Shakes and you can grab one of those here, along with a ton of other delicious milkshakes!

#### **OVER THE RAINBOW**

This cupcake shop is the same shop who makes the cakes at Jake's. They sell cupcakes at their shop, and take specialty cake orders, too. We had their cake at our wedding and it's the best on the planet!

### **PALM SPRINGS FUDGE & CHOCOLATES**

If you ask me, no vacation is complete without a trip to the old school fudge and chocolate shop!

### **SWISS DONUT**

Classic donut shop, make an early morning run and surprise your group with some California donuts!

## Shops

### **MOJAVE FLEA TRADING POST**

Our favorite shop in Palm Springs. Filled with clothing, kid, home decor, floral and more featuring different small, independent and local brands.

### ANTIQUE GALLERIES OF PALM SPRINGS

This two-story antique mall is fun to walk through, with different rooms featuring all different styles of finds.

### THE FINE ART OF DESIGN

Beautifully curated vintage clothing shop, a bit further out in Palm Desert.

### THICK AS THIEVES

A well-curated shop of handmade goodies and unique clothing, accessories and home goods

### **SANDY DUNES ANTIQUE MALL**

Right next door to Antique Galleries, this shop also has lots of fun finds, especially great for anyone who loves retro or tiki items, but they've got a little bit of everything, too.

### THE FRIPPERY

A colorful vintage clothing shop with the most fun dresses!

### **MARKET MARKET**

A warehouse-sized vintage and antique store with a unique point of view! Prices are high, but gorgeous to shop around, even if you're just looking!

### **VICTORIA'S ATTIC ANTIQUE MALL**

A bit further away, but this antique mall is inside an abandoned mall that looks like it hasn't been touched since the 80s. It's a strange place, but has some good finds for those of you who like to dig!

### **DESERT HILLS PREMIUM OUTLETS**

If you love a good outlet mall, this one and the Cabazon outlets next door are a fun half-day trip to hit!

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## Things to Do

### THE LIVING DESERT ZOO AND GARDENS

This zoo is incredible. You can get up close to the animals, there's a kids play zone and a huge model train set up. It is a MUST DO with kids!

#### **PALM SPRINGS AIR MUSEUM**

For any history buffs or vehicle lovers, pop over to the Air Museum for a history lesson and to see many aircrafts on display.

### **ANDREAS CANYON TRAIL**

An easy one mile loop, pretty flat with the most other-worldly trees to see! Perfect for the whole family.

### **ARABY TRAIL**

A more challenging five-mile trail with beautiful views of the city and the famous Bob Hope estate.

### **PIONEERTOWN**

Take a drive up to Pioneertown and explore an old Western movie set that's super fun to wander. Check out one of our favorite shops, Soukie Modern, plus Xeba Botanica for great skincare finds, and eat at the institution that is Pappy and Harriet's.

### PALM SPRINGS AERIAL TRAMWAY

Catch a break from the heat and hop the gondola up to the Mt. San Jacinto State Park. Spectacular views of the valley, plus you can eat, hike and explore at the top.

### PALM SPRINGS VINTAGE MARKET

A vintage market that happens on the first Sunday of each month, fun to walk around and explore!

### TAHQUITZ CANYON LOOP TRAIL

Just under two miles, this hike has a hidden waterfall in the middle of the loop. There are some steep steps, but it's generally great for the whole fam!

### **BOOMERS**

If your kids want to mini golf, go kart or play in an arcade, this is your spot! (Right next to a Target and Trader Joe's if you need to run any errands!)

### **JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK**

Make a day trip to Joshua Tree
National Park to hike or explore. On
the way there or back, hit some
favorite spots of ours: Acme 5
Lifestyle, Hoof & The Horn, Pioneer
Crossing Antiques, Joshua Tree Rock
Shop, Wine and Rock Shop and Joshua
Tree Coffee Company.

### **PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM**

Great art museum with a vast permanent modern art collection, rotating exhibits and architecture and design features. Free admission on Thursdays from 5pm-8pm!

### **ARCHITECTURE TOURS**

The Palm Springs Historical Society hosts many walking tours throughout the city to see the historic homes and learn about the people who built and lived in them.

### **PALM CANYON TRAIL**

An easy two-mile hike on the Cahuilla Indians Reservation through the trees. Great for kids!

### **PALM SPRINGS FARMER'S MARKET**

Every Saturday, pop by this farmer's market if you're planning to do any cooking while you're here!

### **MOORTEN BOTANICAL GARDENS**

Tour this home and gardens featuring thousands of desert plants and cacti.
Fun fact: Walt Disney tapped the founders to create the foliage for Frontierland at Disneyland!