

# "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas"

is how the saying goes. But we can't keep quiet about all of the fun things there are to see and do in the City-That-Never-Sleeps. That's why we've put together the Sonnhalter Insider's Guide to Las Vegas. It's our way of helping you cut through the clutter to find the city's best restaurants, shows and sights.

We asked some of our Vegas-area friends for their recommendations on the best places to sample some of the local cuisine – not just those all-you-can-eat casino buffets. We wanted those secret locales that only the locals know about. Because at Sonnhalter, we not only like to get our hands dirty...we also like to get them greasy!

When you're not convening at the convention center, make sure you get a taste of the real Las Vegas.

# The Strip

#### **Bavette's Steakhouse**

Steakhouse (702) 730-6700

www.bavettessteakhouse.com/las-vegas/

A Vegas outpost of the venerable Chicago Steakhouse, this stylish departure from the traditional steakhouse offers prime meats, seafood towers and a blending of fine dining with unabashed fun.

# **Beauty & Essex**

New American (702) 737-0707

www.taogroup.com/venues/beauty-essex-las-vegas/

After entering thru a gritty pawn shop, you find a sophisticated, jewel-toned spot with vintage décor offering New American plates, drinks and wine.

#### **Best Friend**

Korean-Mexican Fusion
(702) 730-6770
parkmgm.mgmresorts.com/en/
restaurants/best-friend.html
Korean-Mexican fusion menu with
vibrant interiors by notable Los Angeles
chef, Roy Choi.

#### **Bouchon Bistro**

French (702) 414-6203

www.thomaskeller.com/bouchonlasvegas

One of the best breakfast spots in Las Vegas.

#### Delilah

American Fine Dining (702) 770-7000

www.wynnlasvegas.com/dining/fine-dining/delilah

An homage to the glamorous age of Hollywood and Las Vegas, Delilah is a modern-day supper club with a vintage aesthetic.

#### **Eataly**

Italian Market (702) 730-7617

www.eataly.com/us\_en/stores/las-vegas/ Vegas branch of the upscale Italian food hall, with restaurants, quick-service counters & groceries.

#### **Eggslut**

Breakfast (702) 689-7000

www.eggslut.com

Incredibly delicious breakfast sandwiches. The best way to start the day or finish the night.

#### **Golden Steer**

Steakhouse

(702) 384-4470

www.goldensteerlasvegas.com/

The Oldest Steakhouse in the City of Las Vegas. Since the beginning, the Golden Steer Steakhouse has prided itself on serving USDA Prime Aged, Corn-Fed Beef.

# Flour & Barley

Pizza

(702) 430-4430

http://flourandbarley.com/

Hand-crafted brick-fired pizza and a mindboggling selection of the best craft beers make for a delicious and fun combination.



# The Strip (continued)

#### Hash House a Go Go

"Twisted" farm food, supersized (702) 804-4646

www.hashhouseagogo.com/location/hashhouse-a-go-go-las-vegas-nevada-the-linq

You better bring your appetite, because the egg scrambles over griddle mashers and homemade biscuits are almost the same size as a small chicken.

#### Hakkasan

Chinese

(702) 891-3838

hakkasan.com/las-vegas/

Upon arrival, guests will be greeted by ambient sounds, scents and lighting, all key elements making up Hakkasan's DNA, creating a relaxed mood and sensual vibe. Definitely try some of their classics such as stir-fried black pepper rib-eye beef with Merlot, and silver cod with champagne and Chinese honey.

# LAS VEGAS

#### **Holsteins**

Burgers

(702) 698-7940

https://www.cosmopolitanlasvegas.com/restaurants/holsteins

The menu features specialty burgers, house-made sausage, riffs on traditional American snacks and appetizers, as well as a wide variety of shakes and sides. All items – including toppings, buns and condiments – are custom crafted in-house.

#### Javier's

Mexican

(866) 590-3637

http://www.javiers-cantina.com/

Elevated Mexican cuisine, hand-shaken margaritas and rare tequilas in a unique setting inside the ARIA Resort & Casino.

## Julian Serrano Tapas

Spanish

(702) 590-8520

https://aria.mgmresorts.com/en/restaurants/julian-serrano.html

Adjacent to Aria's lobby offering delectable Spanish fare. Relish the comfort of Serrano ham alongside a creamy cheese platter or be adventurous and sample savory white anchovy fillets and black pig pintxo topped with perfectly caramelized onions. Whatever your personality, there's a little something to suit it.

#### Kumi

Japanese

(702) 632-9100

https://mandalaybay.mgmresorts.com/en/restaurants/kumi-by-akira-back.html

Renowned Executive Chef Akira Back's latest avant-garde eatery to hit the Las Vegas Strip at the Mandalay Bay. Featuring modern twists on authentic Japanese design.

#### Momofuku

Asian

(702) 698-2663

vegas.momofuku.com

David Chang offers inventive takes on Asian fare at this hip, spacious outpost in the Cosmopolitan.

## Mon Ami Gabi

French and Continental

(702) 944-4224

www.monamigabi.com/las-vegas/

Great for people-watching with their tables that face Las Vegas Boulevard. Inside it looks like a Parisian café with cobblestone floors and waiters in aprons. Try the French onion soup.

# **Old Town/Downtown/Arts District**

# **Evel Pie**

Pizza

(702) 840-6460

https://evelpie.com/

Pizza joint with a rock 'n' roll vibe & Evel Knievel memorabilia offering slices, whole pies & beer.

# **Hugo's Cellar**

Continental

(702) 385-4011

www.fourqueens.com/dining/hugos\_cellar/index.php

A real hidden gem that is found underground, giving a true throw back in time. Vegas mob style dining area, and as an extra plus, every lady that steps foot in here receives a long stem red rose.

# Pizza Rock

Pizza

(702) 385-0838

www.pizzarocklasvegas.com

Gourmet pies, created by a 12-time world champion, plus craft beers & cocktails, all in entertaining surroundings, with DJ nights and a few additional surprises along the way.

# **Redwood Steakhouse**

Fine Dining

(702) 388-2630

www.thecal.com/dine/redwood-steakhouse

Steaks & old-school seafood dishes such as lobster Thermidor served in a warm & polished atmosphere.

# Top of Binion's Steakhouse

Steaks and Chops

(702) 382-1600

www.binions.com/dining/binions\_steak-house.php

Serious old-school steakhouse with 24th-floor views of Vegas' neon lights.



# **Off The Strip**

#### Carson Kitchen

American

(702) 473-9523

https://carsonkitchen.com/las/index.html

Gourmet burgers, flatbreads & other small plates in sleek digs with a rooftop patio for live music

#### Casa D'Amore

Italian

(702) 433-4967

www.casadiamore.com/

Fun restaurant with an "old Las Vegas" style atmosphere with posters and graphics of old casinos on the walls. On the weekends you will find a singer on stage singing Sinatra and Bennett.

#### **Chubby Cattle**

Hot Pot

(702) 868-8808

www.chubbycattle.com

Unique to the states, dinner starts with a pot of hot broth, then select from uncooked sides, raw meat, seafood, vegetables, noodles and more as they pass by on a conveyor belt.

#### **DW Bistro**

Caribbean, American (New) (702) 527-5200

www.dwbistro.com/

An exciting mix of Jamaican meets New Mexican cuisine, DW Bistro has quickly made a flavorful mark on Las Vegas.

# Echo & Rig Butcher and Steakhouse

Steakhouse

(702) 489-3525

www.echoandrig.com/

An eclectic menu of urban grill-meets-traditional steakhouse in an open dining room complete with exhibition kitchen, proprietary spices and rubs, a classic cocktail menu with new twists, the freshest seafood and the only restaurant with its own namesake butcher shop.

#### Ferraro's Italian

Italian

(702) 364-5300

www.ferraroslasvegas.com/

A family-run mainstay with homemade pastas, spectacular service, and a justifiably famous signature Osso Buco.

#### Firefly

**Tapas** 

(702) 369-3971

www.fireflylv.com/

This svelte tapas bar and restaurant is worth the trip just for its house-made sangria, marinated for three days.

#### **Honey Salt**

American (New)

(702) 445-6100

www.honeysalt.com/

Inspired by the countless meals the chefs have actually shared in their homes with friends over the years. It offers a farm-to-table inspired menu that balances the reality of living in the desert with the amazing ingredients regionally available for those willing to look a little harder.

# In-N-Out Burger

Multiple locations in Las Vegas

www.in-n-out.com

Made with fresh meat which is ground on site and you can watch the workers peel and grate the potatoes. Make sure to order your burger "animal style" (with grilled onions and In-N-Out's special sauce).

# **Lotus of Siam**

Thai

(702) 735-3033

lotusofsiamlv.com/

Revered, owner-operated Thai eatery in Commercial Center offering family recipes & a vast wine list.

#### Nobu at the Virgin Hotel

Japanese

(702) 693-5090

https://www.noburestaurants.com/las-vegas/nobu-las-vegas-japanese-restaurant-bar-and-lounge/

Still one of the best sushi places in Vegas. They also have a second location in Caesars Palace.

#### Other Mama

Asian Fusion

(702) 463-8382

www.othermamalv.com

Multiple award-winning seafood with eclectic Asian influences in a homespun setting.



(702) 478-7465

www.pinkboxdoughnuts.com/

A great man once said, "Give me love and doughnuts or give me death." Sin City's favorite gourmet doughnuts.

#### Raku

Japanese

(702) 367-3511

https://www.raku-grill.com/

Cozy eatery with a bustling late-night scene drawing foodies for creative Japanese small plates.

#### Rollin Smoke BBQ

Barbeque

(702) 836-3621

https://rollinsmokebarbeque.com/locations/original-location/

Amazing taste of southern style prepared meals – from fall-off-the-bone hickory smoked barbeque, to the down home country sides. With two decades of barbeque experience, the father and son team aim to please.

#### Sparrow + Wolf

American

(702) 790-2147

www.sparrowandwolflv.com

Modern eatery with craft beer & cocktails serving innovative international bites in a stylish space.

# The Modern Vegan (TMV)

Vegan

(702) 755-8127

www.tmvrestaurants.com/

Minimalist vegan kitchen serving a large menu of creative plates for breakfast, lunch & brunch.



# Nightlife and Bars

**Atomic Liquors** 

http://atomic.vegas/

**Beer Zombies** 

https://beer-zombies.com/

**Brooklyn Bowl** 

www.brooklynbowl.com/las-vegas/

Commonwealth

www.commonwealthlv.com/

**Double Down Saloon** 

https://doubledownsaloon.com/

**Double Helix Wine & Whiskey Bar** 

www.doublehelixwine.com/

**Downtown Cocktail Room (DCR)** 

http://www.downtowncocktailroom.com/

**Encore Beach Club** 

www.wynnsocial.com/events/?venue=ebc

Frankie's Tiki Room

www.frankiestikiroom.com

**Ghost Donkey** 

www.cosmopolitanlasvegas.com/restaurants/ ghost-donkey

Golden Tiki

www.thegoldentiki.com/

Herbs + Rye

www.herbsandrye.com/

**Hofbrauhaus** 

www.hofbrauhauslasvegas.com/

**Huntridge Tavern** 

www.huntridgetavern.com/home

**Libertine Social** 

https://mandalaybay.mgmresorts.com/en/ restaurants/libertine-social.html?icid=GMB\_ Restaurants\_LibertineSocial

www.facebook.com/sgaldau

Pub 365

www.tuscanylv.com/restaurant/pub-365

Tao

https://taogroup.com/venues/tao-asian-bistro-

Tenaya Creek Brewery

www.tenayacreek.com/

The Chandelier

www.cosmopolitanlasvegas.com/lounges-bars/ chandelier

The Dorsey Cocktail Bar

www.venetian.com/restaurants/

the-dorsey.html

The Piano Bar

http://vegas.com/nightlife/bars/las-vegas-strip/ the-piano-bar/

The Whisky Attic

www.whiskyattic.com

Velveteen Rabbit

www.velveteenrabbitlv.com/

www.xslasvegas.com

# Las Vegas Sightseeing

#### Area 15

https://area15.com/

# **Atomic Testing Museum**

www.nationalatomictestingmuseum.org

# **ATV Tours**

www.lvatvtours.com/

#### Blue Man Group

https://luxor.mgmresorts.com/en/ entertainment/blue-man-group.html

## **Burlesque Hall of Fame**

www.burlesquehall.com

# Cirque du Soleil

www.cirquedusoleil.com/las-vegas

#### Eater Vegas

https://vegas.eater.com/

#### **Fremont Street**

www.vegasexperience.com/

# **Grand Canyon**

www.grandcanyon.org/

#### **High Roller Ferris Wheel**

www.caesars.com/linq/things-to-do/attractions/ high-roller

#### **Hoover Dam**

www.vegas.com/attractions/near-las-vegas/ hoover-dam/

#### Las Vegas Golf

www.vegas.com/golf/

# Las Vegas Museums

www.a2zlasvegas.com/otherside/museums.html

# Madame Tussauds Wax Museum

www.madametussauds.com/las-vegas/

#### M&M's World

www.vegas.com/attractions/on-the-strip/ m-and-m-world/

#### Penn & Teller

www.pennandteller.com/

# **Pinball Hall of Fame**

www.pinballmuseum.org

# **Shark Reef Aquarium**

https://mandalaybay.mgmresorts.com/en/entertainment/shark-reef-aquarium.html

#### Sky Combat Ace

www.skycombatace.com/

# Slotzilla Zipline

www.vegasexperience.com/slotzilla-zip-line/

#### Stratosphere Rides

https://thestrat.com/attractions/thrill-rides

# Stratosphere Tower

www.stratospherehotel.com/

#### T-Mobile Arena

www.t-mobilearena.com/

#### The Mob Museum

https://themobmuseum.org/

#### The Neon Museum

www.neonmuseum.org

#### **Titanic Artifact Exhibition**

www.luxor.com/entertainment/titanic.aspx

# **Topgolf Las Vegas**

www.topgolf.com/us/las-vegas/

#### Vegas Indoor Skydiving

www.vegasindoorskydiving.com/



# **Las Vegas Taxi Companies**

Ace/ABC Union/ANLV/Vegas Western Cab Company

(702) 888-4888

**Desert Cab Company** 

(702) 386-9102

Lyft

www.lyft.com

Uber

www.uber.com/us/en/ride/

Western Cab Company

(702) 736-8000

Yellow/Checker/Star Cab

(702) 873-2000

# **Limousine and Car Services**

**Bell Trans: Charter Limousine** 

(702) 385-5466

**CLS Nevada/United Car Service** 

(702) 740-4545

**Las Vegas Limousines** 

(888) 696-4400

**Limousines of Nevada LLC** 

(702) 252-7212

**Presidential Limousine Las Vegas** 

(702) 438-5466

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