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# Oh, the places (cafes) you can go...

## in Southern Orange County!

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If you are a resident of Southern California, you know how busy and hectic life can be. Work, school and even the seemingly never-ending traffic can be a lot. Oftentimes, it is easy to take advantage of all the amazing sights to see in this beautiful place we call home.

### **Urth Caffe**

The first location on the list of resident recommendations is Urth Caffe. Although this cafe is technically a chain, the one located in southern Orange County just happens to be one of the most iconic locations. Positioned on Pacific Coast Highway in front of Laguna Beach, this European-styled cafe is the perfect place to study, catch up with old friends, or even enjoy a solo trip to try one of their tastefully designed matcha lattes.

The story of the cafe started with Jilla and Shallom Berkman discovering how genetically modified the coffee industry had become. They aspired to become “pioneers in health-conscious coffee,” and that they have become.

Make sure to try this one-of-a-kind, delicious cafe the next time you take a trip down to the Laguna Beach coast!



### **Vanilla Street Bakery**

Next up is a local favorite, Vanilla Street Bakery. This bakery located in Laguna Hills is known for its cozy and charming atmosphere, as well as their sweet and tasty honey-cake and massive macarons. Some of their most popular dishes include avocado toast, brioche-bread topped with scrambled eggs, and smoked-salmon cream cheese toast.

Vanilla Street not only houses delicious and decadent treats, but it also serves as an ideal location for studying or even sitting down with a good book. Make sure to check out this local favorite the next time you're in Laguna Hills!



## Daydream Surf Shop

This serene, surf shop and cafe fusion is home to one of Newport Beach's most ambient locations to grab a cup of coffee, or even pick up a new surfboard. If you are in need of



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feeling like a true Southern California resident then look no further than this one-of-a-kind spot, known for their Shrub Soda and Espresso tonic to cure any sort of out-of-touch with the local spots blues.

Some locals also recommend their Oolong tea Latte or their take on the classic Chai Latte, which is "one of the best I've ever tasted," says a frequent visitor of the cafe.

Next time you are in Newport Beach, head on down to this vibey and Pinterest-worthy cafe that is truly the stuff of your dreams.

## Honorable mentions

- Hidden House Coffee (San Juan Capistrano)
- Coffee Dose (Costa mesa)
- Stereoscope (Newport Beach)
- Work in Progress aka WIP (Costa Mesa)
- Vacancy Coffee (Newport Beach)
- Nook Coffee Bar (Costa Mesa)
- Seven Seas Roasting Co. (Aliso Viejo)



Nook Coffee's Vanilla Latte

