

NORTH COUNTY COASTAL

From artsy Encinitas and design-centric Solana Beach to the culinary scene in Oceanside and equestrian scene in Del Mar, these laid-back beach towns are waiting to be explored

OCEANSIDE

Newcomer **The Miller's Table** is wowing diners with farm-fresh daily dishes, meat and cheese boards, crostini sandwiches and wine flights. Set in a renovated 1930s car shop, **Masters Kitchen and Cocktail** revs it up with comfort food, classic cocktails and a killer happy hour. Stop by **Hello Betty Fish House** for Baja-style street fare or big-portion brunch, or get some sushi at the innovative **Wrench & Rodent Seabastropub**. Cap the evening at **101 Proof**, a reservation-only speakeasy with a dress and conduct code, and stellar handcrafted cocktails.

SOLANA BEACH

Stroll Solana Beach's design district and discover unique home decor at **Bixby & Ball**, creative gifts at **SoLo** and **Leaping Lotus**, stunning surf photography at **Aaron Chang Ocean Art Gallery**, couture threads at **Tucci Boutique** and more. Stop by **Culture Brewing Co.** for a hoppy IPA or head to **Carruth Cellars** for tasting flights in the urban winery, then check out **Belly Up** for a big-name live show in an intimate venue.

ENCINITAS

Get a caffeine fix at **Philz Coffee** or try their divine Mint Mojito iced tea, then head to the tide pools at **Swami's State Beach**. For lunch, it's worth queuing up at **The Taco Stand** for Tijuana-style street food like marinated pork al pastor with pineapple cilantro salsa on a handmade tortilla. Or, sit on the patio of **Blue Ribbon Artisan Pizzeria** for perfect thin-crust pies and to-die-for butterscotch pudding. **The Lanai** calls for an ahi poke lunch on the picnic tables, while **Solterra Winery & Kitchen** serves up wine flights and Mediterranean small plates.

Breeders' Cup World Championships

In November 2017, Del Mar will proudly host the **Breeders' Cup**, the defining event of the international horse racing season, with a purse of up to \$6 million. At **L'Auberge Del Mar**, look for soirees, a millinery pop-up and special spa treatments like the Starting Gate Massage and Winner's Glow Hydrating Facial. Sit under the market lights and watch the parade of people while sipping hard-to-find wines at **Tasting Room Del Mar**, or dine surfside at **Jake's Del Mar** after a decadent day at the races.



HELLO BETTY FISH HOUSE



Where to Stay

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