

BEST AFTER-WORK BAR

Cellar Lounge 3601 W Sahara Ave (702) 362-6268
Need to go underground for a while? The Cellar Lounge is happy to oblige.

Sean Patrick's 8255 W Flamingo Rd (702) 227-9793
This pub does the Celtic theme with class, and the beer ain't bad either.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Blue Ox West Restaurant & Lounge**
3111 S Valley View Blvd (702) 873-5276
Paul Bunyon may have been folklore, but this neighborly bar is no tall tale.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino**
4455 Paradise Rd (800) 693-7625
Voted Best After-Work Bar by Citysearch users!

BEST ANTIQUE SHOPPING

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Red Rooster Antique Mall** 307 W Charleston Blvd (702) 382-5253
Formerly a bottling plant, this Vegas tradition is densely packed with all sorts antique goodies.

Antique Sampler Shoppes 6115 W Tropicana Ave (702) 368-1170
Next to the Red Rooster Antique Mall, this mall offers Vegas' biggest selection of antiques.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Antiques on Casino Center** 1228 S Casino Ctr (702) 678-6278
What other antique store in town has a real fake circus freak and a miniature carnival for sale?

BEST ATTRACTION FOR VISITORS

Star Trek: The Experience 3000 Paradise Rd (702) 697-TREK
It's not a theme park, Jim! It's a multi-faceted attraction offering a menu of diversions.

Caesars Magical Empire
3570 Las Vegas Blvd S, located at Caesars Palace Hotel & Casino (800) 634-6661
Descend into the labyrinth of a mysterious and entertaining redemption of dinner theater.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Secret Garden of Siegfried & Roy**
3400 Las Vegas Blvd S, located at The Mirage Las Vegas
It's lions and tigers and magicians, oh my! at one of the best attractions on the Strip.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio Fountains** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 693-7111
Voted Best Attraction for Visitors by Citysearch users!

BEST BARBECUE

Schuler's Roadhouse 4755 Spring Mountain Rd (702) 252-7427
Wash down some Ohio-style ribs with one of the over 100 beers available at Schuler's Roadhouse.

Red Apple Grill 3399 S Jones Blvd (702) 873-5022
A great meal, a good deal and a big, BBQ mess all at the same time. What could be better?

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Memphis Championship Barbecue**
2250 E Warm Springs Rd (702) 260-6909
The King of Memphis is alive and smokin' in Las Vegas (the King Of Barbecue, that is).

BEST BARGAIN HOTEL

Excalibur Hotel & Casino 3850 Las Vegas Blvd S (800) 937-7777
Pull a sword out of a stone or a slot handle at this fantasy.

Stardust Hotel & Casino 3000 S Las Vegas Blvd (702) 732-6111
As the old properties on the Strip slowly disappear, this low-key hotel and casino carries the banner of Vegas past.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino**
4455 Paradise Rd (800) 693-7625
Reinterpreting the swanky feel of old Vegas for the rock-and-roll-generation.

BEST BIG EVENT

National Finals Rodeo The crown jewel of rodeo events, and a Vegas tradition.

ShoWest Get starstruck at this annual Movie Star Appreciation Week.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Consumer Electronics Show**
Got gadgets? This annual event does.

BEST BOWLING ALLEY

Sunset Lanes 4451 E Sunset Rd Henderson (702) 736-2695
Sunset Lanes spins the basics into a peaceful, easy bowling experience providing all the charms for amateur and semi-pro alike.

Castaways Lanes 2800 Fremont St (702) 385-9123
The impressive lanes are still the classiest act in town, with an impeccable pedigree and a rich history.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Orleans Bowling Center**
4500 W Tropicana Ave, located at The Orleans Hotel & Casino (702) 365-7111
The new kid on the block leaves nothing to spare, picks up the impossible split, and rolls them all into the pocket.

BEST BREAKFAST

Jamms Restaurant 1029 S Rainbow Blvd (702) 877-0749
Good old-fashioned American goodness tucked away in a strip mall.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Original Pancake House** 4833 W Charleston Blvd (702) 259-7755
The kind of place you can make a Sunday morning tradition out of.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Omelet House** 2160 W Charleston Blvd (702) 384-6868
For the most important meal of the day, it's best to hit the most important Vegas breakfast joint.

BEST BUFFET

Rio Carnival World Buffet 3700 W Flamingo Rd (702) 252-7777
This gigantic, international spread may just be the mother of all buffets.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio Buffet** 3600 S Las Vegas Blvd (702) 693-7111
Like everything else the Bellagio does, its buffet is a delicious class act.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Sterling Brunch** 3645 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 795-3990
Bally's once-a-week buffet is sterling in every sense of the word.



BEST BURRITO

Alberto's Mexican Restaurant 3466 S Decatur Blvd Ste E (702) 362-8226
A little bit of Mexico finds its way to a strip mall in Vegas.

Carlos' 561 Hotel Plz Boulder City (702) 294-6640
It may not be "authentic," but it sure is real—good, that is.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **El Burrito West** 633 N Decatur Blvd (702) 870-1969
Simple and easy. It's the traditional stuff you've always loved.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Baja Fresh Mexican Grill**
675 Mall Ring Circle Henderson (702) 450-6551
Voted Best Burrito by Citysearch users!

BEST CHEAP EATS

Florida Cafe Cuban Restaurant 1401 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 385-3013
A taste of Cuba for a price that's right.

Pita Place 3429 S Jones Blvd (702) 221-9955
One of the best things to happen to Middle-Eastern food.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **El Sombrero Cafe** 807 S Main St (702) 382-9234
You might call this the ultimate hole-in-the-wall ethnic joint whose food is as good as its appearance is unassuming.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **In-N-Out Burger** 4888 Industrial Rd (800) 786-1000
Voted Best Cheap Eats by Citysearch users!

BEST CHEAP SEATS/FREE ART

Rio Art Collection 3700 W Flamingo Rd (702) 252-7777
Enjoy the leading lights of local artists at the Rio.

Spirit Tower 1771 Inner Circle Dr
Rita Deanin Abbey's "Spirit Tower" towers over other public art in Vegas.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Clark County Government Center Amphitheater**
500 Grand Central Pkwy (702) 455-8200
There are plenty of outdoor music venues in Vegas, but none as gorgeous or well-programmed as this one.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio Fountains** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 693-7111
Voted Best Cheap Seats/Free Art by Citysearch users!

BEST CHINESE FOOD

Cathay House Dim Sum Restaurant
5300 W Spring Mountain Rd (702) 876-3838
A popular spot since 1988, thanks to stunning views and scrumptious dim sum.

Chinois 3570 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 737-9700
Serious and challenging food is the order of the day at this fusion of culinary sensibilities.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Royal Star** 3355 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 414-1888
The discovery of "The New Generation in Traditional Chinese Cuisine."

AUDIENCE WINNER! **P.F. Chang's** 1095 S Rampart Blvd (702) 968-8885
Voted Best Chinese Food by Citysearch users!

BEST COLLEGE BAR/CLUB

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Moose McGillycuddy's** 4770 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 798-8337
Every university drag has a goofy collegiate bar with a funny name.

Tom & Jerry's Pub & Grub 4550 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 736-8550
Tom & Jerry's doesn't play cat and mouse when it comes to delivering a fun joint for students.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Crown and Anchor Pub** 1350 E Tropicana Ave (702) 739-8676
Weighs in as both a great English pub and a hot spot for the college crowd.

BEST COMFORT FOOD

Ceres Coffee Shop
221 N Rampart Blvd at the Regent Hotel & Casino (702) 869-7381
Value priced all-American meals in a plush atmosphere.

Strawberry Fields 4711 W Spring Mtn Rd (702) 889-9388
A breakfast/lunch diner great for the early birds.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **LaMar's Donuts** 9031 W Sahara Ave (702) 243-1717
You don't have to be Homer Simpson or have a career in law enforcement to appreciate these beauties.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Cold Stone Creamery**
2192 N Rainbow Blvd # 101 (702) 636-9982
Voted Best Comfort Food by Citysearch users!

BEST CUP OF COFFEE

Cafe Sensations 4350 E Sunset Rd Ste 110 Henderson (702) 456-7803
An abundance of fresh vegetables uncovered in Green Valley.

Jitters Gourmet Coffee 2457 E Tropicana (702) 898-0056
This unpretentious coffee franchise is more welcoming (and consistent) than most.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Espresso Roma** 4440 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 369-1540
One of the quickest ways to tap into the local scene while enjoying a latte.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Starbucks** 4500 E Sunset Rd Ste 14 Henderson (702) 433-6015
Voted Best Cup of Coffee by Citysearch users!

BEST DANCE CLUB

Club Utopia 3765 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 390-4650
This is the primary locus of techno, house, and raves sounds in Vegas.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Baby's** 4455 Paradise Rd (702) 693-2000
This is the funkier nightspot in Las Vegas, if not the world.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Ra at the Luxor**
3900 Las Vegas Blvd S, located at the Luxor Hotel-Casino (702) 262-4000
There's something a little perverse in naming a nightclub after a sun god, but we won't argue the point.

BEST DAY SPA

Aventina Salon & Spa 2575 S Cimarron Rd Ste 101 (702) 243-9393
This is a friendly neighborhood salon that buzzes with business.

Dolphin Court Salon & Day Spa
3455 S Durango Dr Ste 106 (702) 949-9999
Come here for routine beauty maintenance, relaxation, or preparation for that extra special event.

Laguna Salon and Spa 4965 W Tropicana Ave, Ste 105 (702) 933-2800
Aesthetics are everything in this gorgeous salon.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Euphoria Beauty Center & Day Spa**
9410 W Sahara (702) 233-8866
They call what they do the Art of Pampering. We wholeheartedly agree!



BEST DAYTRIP

Southern Utah

Some of the very best perks of life in Vegas are the natural wonders next door.

Extraterrestrial Highway/Area 51

UFology has become an international phenomenon with the Nevada desert as its launching pad.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Rhyolite**

A spooky day trip to part of Nevada's mining past.

BEST DESSERT

Cheesecake Factory 3500 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 792-6888

More cheesecakes than you thought possible, but they don't stop there.

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts 7015 W Spring Mountain Rd (702) 222-2320

The real Krispy treats are a Southern tradition.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Grape Street Cafe**

7501 W Lake Mead Blvd (702) 228-9463

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Cold Stone Creamery**

2192 N Rainbow Blvd # 101 (702) 636-9982

Voted Best Dessert by Citysearch users!

BEST FAMILY OUTING

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bonnie Springs Old Nevada**

1 Gunfighter Ln Blue Diamond (702) 875-4191

Horse around with the whole family at this park with plenty of pioneer spirit.

Adventuredome

2880 Las Vegas Blvd S, located at the Circus Circus Hotel & Casino (800) 444-2472

This enclosed theme park at Circus Circus keeps kids occupied and parents cool.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Scandia Family Fun Center**

2900 Sirius Ave (702) 364-0070

From miniature golf to bumper boats, it's an acre of activities.

BEST FREE ATTRACTION

Fremont Street Experience 425 Fremont St (702) 678-5777

A computerized canopy with dazzling light shows draws folks to downtown.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio Fountains** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 693-7111

Some folks actually come to Vegas to "take the waters."

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Buccaneer Bay at Treasure Island** 3300 Las Vegas Blvd S, located at the Treasure Island Hotel & Casino (702) 894-7111

Its resemblance to the Pirates of the Caribbean sparked the phrase "Disneyfication of Las Vegas."

BEST FRIES

Big Boy Restaurant 2131 Rock Springs Dr (702) 242-0309

The smiling kid in the checkerboard jumper still reigns at this quintessential family restaurant.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **In-n-Out Burger** 4888 Industrial Rd (800) 786-1000
In-n-Out Burger perfected the portable meat and potatoes genre.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **McDonald's**
3850 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 891-0808

BEST GAY BAR

Angles & Lace 4633 Paradise Rd (702) 791-0100

Two intimate and fun gay spots for the price of one.

Free Zone 610 E Naples Dr (702) 794-2300

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Gipsy's**
4605 S Paradise Rd (702) 731-1919
Still the hottest spot for dancers of all persuasions.

BEST GOURMET STORE

Cost Plus World Market 3840 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 794-2070

From Balinese baskets to Wurttemberg wines, foods and furnishings from around the world call this store home.

Siena Deli 2250 E Tropicana (702) 736-8424

Come for the groceries, stay for the sandwiches.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Trader Joe's**
2101 S Decatur Blvd Ste 25 (702) 367-0227
It's true: Not everyone feels compelled to shop at Raley's.

BEST HAMBURGER

Kilroy's 1021 S Buffalo Dr (702) 363-4933

When a monster burger is in order, Kilroy's is the usual suspect.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **In-n-Out Burger**
4888 Industrial Rd (800) 786-1000 for all locations
In-n-Out Burger perfected the portable meat and potatoes genre.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Fatburger** 4851 W Charleston Blvd (702) 870-4933
When it comes to a franchised fast food burger, they wallop the competition.

BEST HOME DECOR STORE

Target 3550 S Rainbow Blvd (702) 253-5151

When it comes to trendy, low-cost goods, this store aims to strike a bull's eye.

By Design Home Furnishings

6680 W Flamingo Rd # 309 (702) 251-7080

Contemporary European furniture that winks "I'm so hip."

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Z Gallerie** 3663 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 734-0418
A sophisticated, hip decor shop to outfit your likewise persona and home.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Pier 1 Imports** 3181 N Rainbow Blvd (702) 645-5534
Voted Best Home Decor Store by Citysearch users!

BEST ICE CREAM

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Cold Stone Creamery**
2192 N Rainbow Blvd # 101 (702) 636-9982
Have the ice cream you've dreamed of since you were a kid.

Haagen-Dazs Ice Cream 3799 Las Vegas Blvd S Ste E (702) 597-2030
They are the kings of ice cream. There is none higher.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Luv It Frozen Custard** 505 E Oakey (702) 384-6452
They serve, quite possibly, the most delicious frozen custard in town. That is, if you can find it.



BEST ITALIAN FOOD

Ferraro's 5920 W Flamingo Rd (702) 364-5300
Restaurateur Gino Ferraro serves up classic Italian dishes in an upscale but intimate atmosphere.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Buca di Beppo** 7690 W Lake Mead Blvd (702) 363-6524
Voted Best Italian Food by Citysearch users!

Circo 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S at the Bellagio Resort & Casino (702) 693-7223
This "Circus House" is one of the best Italian restaurants in Las Vegas.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Tinoco's Bistro** 1756 E Charleston Blvd (702) 678-6811
Forget their odd location and discover wonderfully realized continental cuisine.

BEST JUKEBOX

Champagnes Cafe 3557 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 737-1699
Slip into this slightly seedy bar for an evening of cocktails and conversation.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Fatburger** 4851 W Charleston Blvd (702) 870-4933
When it comes to a franchised fast food burger, they wallop the competition.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Double Down** 4640 Paradise Rd (702) 791-5775
By day a haunt for slowly stewing working stiffs, by night the dive of choice for the Art and Smart Set.

BEST KID-FRIENDLY RESTAURANT

Quark's Bar & Restaurant 3000 Paradise Rd (702) 697-8725
Resistance is futile: Kids and adults alike will dig this far-out dining (and drinking) experience.

Big Boy Restaurant 2131 Rock Springs Dr (702) 242-0309
The smiling kid in the checkerboard jumper still reigns at this quintessential family restaurant.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Joe's Crab Shack**
1991 N Rainbow Blvd (702) 646-3996
Crabby kids? Let them loose at this colorful and cartoony seafood eatery.

BEST LATE-NIGHT DINING

Diamond China Restaurant 3909 W Sahara Ave (702) 873-6977
Stay up and eat really late—without having to hit the casinos—with this city-wide favorite.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Mr. Lucky's 24/7 Cafe**
4455 Paradise Rd at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino (702) 693-5000
This is the only hotel coffee shop worth going out of your way for.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Venetian Italian Restaurant**
3713 W Sahara Ave (702) 876-4190
A little piece of Las Vegas history that gets better and better.

BEST LOCAL MUSIC ACT

Inside Scarlet Look out, America. Today Vegas, tomorrow the world.

Automatic Taxi Star Tart, smart pop is their vehicle of choice.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **The Nines**
They're an instrumental band that defies pigeonholing.

BEST LOUNGE ACT

Vargas This classic and classy lounge performer knows how to handle a microphone.

Louie Louie

The Checkmates

BEST LUXURY HOTEL

Venetian Resort & Casino
3355 Las Vegas Blvd S (888) 283-6384 or (702) 414-1000
This tribute to Venice features attractions and luxuries galore.

Four Seasons Hotel 3960 Las Vegas Blvd S (877) 632-5000
Staying on the Strip doesn't mean buffets and slots anymore, thanks to this world-famous hotel.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (888) 987-6667
An Italian fantasy—it's the most understated and luxurious hotel-casino in town.

BEST MARGARITA

Z'Tejas Grill 3824 Paradise Rd (702) 732-1660
Once-trendy southwestern grill reasserts itself after a facelift.

Margarita's Mexican Cantina 3120 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 794-8433
Las Vegas' most romantic Mexican restaurant—that pretty much sums up this new slice of Old Mexico.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Pink Taco**
4455 Paradise Rd, at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino (702) 693-5525
A creative expression of tradition taken to a new dimension.

BEST MARTINI

Crown and Anchor Pub 1350 E Tropicana Ave (702) 739-8676
Weights in as both a great English pub and a hot spot for the college crowd.

Gaudi Bar 1301 W Sunset Rd Henderson (702) 547-7777
The most stunning spot in town to indulge in a martini.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Red Square** 3950 S Las Vegas Blvd (702) 632-7407
While the Cold War is over, the ice-cold pleasures of vodka live on at this ultra-hip martini bar.

BEST MEN'S CLOTHING

Banana Republic 3500 Las Vegas Blvd S Ste F1 (702) 650-5623
Welcome to the convenient one-stop shop for busy people who don't have the time to peruse but want quality.

Buffalo Exchange 4110 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 791-3960
Like a cool Salvation Army thrift store that pays you for your stuff—sort of.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Macy's** 3200 Las Vegas Blvd S Ste 500 (702) 731-5111
From a miracle on 34th St to a mall near you, this is middle-class America's own department store.

BEST MEXICAN FOOD

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Lindo Michoacan Mexican Restaurant**
2655 E Desert Inn Rd (702) 735-6828
When it comes to truly fine Mexican cuisine, they've raised the bar for the competition.



AUDIENCE WINNER!

Garduno's 2400 N Rancho Dr at Fiesta Hotel & Casino (702) 631-7000
Without question, Garduno's is the most interesting and off-beat Mexican restaurant in town.

Viva Mercado's Mexican Restaurant

6182 W Flamingo Rd (702) 871-8826
Discover one of the liveliest and long-lived family Mexican restaurants in Las Vegas.

BEST MUSEUM

AUDIENCE WINNER!

Lied Discovery Children's Museum
833 Las Vegas Blvd N (702) 382-5437
Parents and kids alike can satisfy their curiosity about both the hard and soft sciences.

Neon Museum 731 S 4th St
A permanent home for fabulous relics of quintessential Vegas art: the neon sign.

EDITORIAL WINNER!

Nevada State Museum & Historical Society
700 Twin Lakes Dr (702) 486-5205
Learn about the history of the state, both natural and man-made, at this small but engaging museum.

BEST OFFBEAT FINDS

AUDIENCE WINNER!

Tuesday Morning 1136 S Decatur Blvd (702) 878-0455
Only suckers pay retail. In other words, suckers do not shop here.

Buffalo Exchange 4110 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 791-3960
Like a cool Salvation Army thrift store that pays you for your stuff—sort of.

EDITORIAL WINNER!

Bonanza Gift Shop
Welcome to the palace of cheap Vegas swag.

BEST OUTDOOR DINING

Olives 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S the Bellagio Resort & Casino (702) 693-7223
Famed Chef Todd English and the Bellagio—Class meets class.

AUDIENCE WINNER!

The Tillerman 2245 E Flamingo Rd (702) 731-4036
This place gives celebrity chefs on the strip a run for their money.

EDITORIAL WINNER!

Mon Ami Gabi 3655 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 944-4224
Step back into Paris of old at this sumptuous and beautiful French brasserie.

BEST PARK

Floyd Lamb State Park 9200 Tule Springs Rd (702) 486-5413
Truly an oasis, this park offers a glimpse of Vegas valley long gone by.

Pueblo Park Lake Mead Blvd and Buffalo Dr
Pueblo Park is what a park in the desert should be: A celebration of the environment.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER!

Sunset Park
2601 E Sunset Rd (702) 455-8200
Space to play, dawdle or roam, with tons of amenities, including shady trees.

BEST PERFORMING ARTS GROUP OR VENUE

Rainbow Company Children's Theater
821 N Las Vegas Blvd Reed Whipple Cultural Center (702) 229-6211
The award-winning children's theater company is one of the city's best institutions, but it's not just for kids.

Las Vegas Philharmonic The salvation of classical music in Vegas?

EDITORIAL WINNER!

UNLV Performing Arts Center
4505 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 895-2787
When it comes to high culture, the UNLV Performing Arts Center is the city's leading light.

BEST PIZZA

Montesano's Italian Restaurant & Deli
3441 W Sahara Ave (702) 876-0348
Since 1992, the Montesano family has served pizzas and pastas like you'd find in its old South Bronx neighborhood.

Sammy's California Pizza 6500 W Sahara Ave (702) 227-6000
If wood-fired pizza served in a busy, upscale restaurant is your recipe for lunch, this is the place to corner a booth.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER!

Metro Pizza 1395 E Tropicana Ave (702) 736-1955
This diner on steroids is home to some of the most delicious deep dish pies in Vegas.

BEST PLACE TO BIKE

AUDIENCE WINNER!

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area
1000 Scenic Dr Red Rock Visitors Center (702) 363-1922
Discover a gorgeous natural playground and one of Las Vegas' best attractions.

Urban Mountain Bike Trail Tropicana Ave and Decatur Blvd
Don't bother looking on a map or calling the Parks Department about this spot.

Desert Shores When you need to take a run through the suburban jungle.

BEST PLACE TO HEAR LIVE MUSIC

Wilson's Bar & Grill 2605 S Decatur Blvd Ste 122 (702) 227-3557

Legends Lounge 865 N Lamb Blvd (702) 437-9674
Simply put, this bar offers good live music in a friendly, multi-genre venue.

EDITORIAL WINNER!

The Junkyard 2327 S Eastern Ave (702) 431-5041
The Junkyard is a great place to kick back at a table and enjoy some good old rock and roll.

AUDIENCE WINNER!

House of Blues 3950 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 632-7600
Voted Best Place to Hear Live Music by Citysearch users!

BEST PLACE TO HIKE

Valley of Fire State Park
Valley of Fire Visitors Center Hwy 169 at Exit 75 Overton (702) 397-2088
One of the area's natural treasures, it shouldn't be missed by residents or tourists.

AUDIENCE WINNER!

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area
1000 Scenic Dr Red Rock Visitors Center (702) 363-1922
Discover a gorgeous natural playground and one of Las Vegas' best attractions.

EDITORIAL WINNER!

Mt Charleston
Toiyabe National Forest Kyle Canyon Ranger Station (702) 872-7098
When Las Vegas want to get away from the city (and the desert), Mt Charleston has long been the place to go.



BEST PLACE TO SEE AND BE SEEN

The Velvet Lounge

3355 Las Vegas Blvd S at the Venetian Hotel & Casino (702) 414-1699
 Located on the second floor of the Warner Bros. Stage 16 Restaurant, the Velvet Lounge is an undiscovered gem of a space.

Drai's 3595 Las Vegas Blvd S at the Barbary Coast Hotel & Casino (702)737-0555
 Chic, retro-elegance highlights, socially and environmentally conscious Mediterranean cuisine.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **V Bar** 3355 Las Vegas Blvd S, at the Venetian Resort Casino, Restaurant Row (702) 414-3200
 Step out of the casino clang and into a hip oasis of New York chic.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino**
 4455 Paradise Rd (800) 693-7625
 Voted Best Place to See and Be Seen by Citysearch users!

BEST PUBLIC GOLF COURSE

Rhodes Ranch Country Club 20 Rhodes Ranch Pkwy (702) 740-4114
 Hit the links far from the maddening crowd at this gem in the southwest.

Bali Hai Golf Club 5160 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 597-2400
 With white sand and palm trees, this South Pacific-themed course is a golfer's Fantasy Island.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Angel Park Golf Club** 100 S Rampart Blvd (702) 254-4653
 If you are looking for a place where almost any golfing pleasure can be realized, look no further than this superb course.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Reflection Bay Golf Club** 75 Montelago Blvd, located at the Lake Las Vegas Resort Henderson (702)740-4653
 Voted Best Public Golf Course by Citysearch users!

BEST RADIO DJ

Laurie Steele
 Hands down the most knowledgeable and authoritative source of local music on the radio.

Lark Williams

She's the consistent thread of rock radio in a city that goes through DJs like Tom Jones' fans go through underwear.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Art Bell** Insomniacs and crackpots unite behind the nation's best forum for strange phenomena.

BEST RADIO MORNING SHOW

Mark and Mercedes

If they were a parody of safe but slightly naughty morning radio happy talk, they would be brilliant.

Craig Williams' Rock & Roll Morning Show

If you like going heh-heh without having to think too hard, this is radio hog heaven.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Johnson and Toft**
 Their on-the-air antics are legendary.

BEST RECORDED/CD STORE

Tower Records/Video/Books and Ticketmaster Outlet
 4580 W Sahara Ave (702) 364-2500
 Tower offers books for adults.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Virgin Megastore Las Vegas**
 3570 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 696-7100
 Welcome to the valley's music monolith.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Big B's CDS & Records** 4761 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 732-4433
 With their monthly 50% off sales, Big B's has become a perpetual favorite among local music fans.

BEST ROMANTIC BAR

Sky Lounge at Polo Towers 3745 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 261-1000
 The sky is most certainly not the limit at the hidden Sky Lounge at Polo Towers.

Dispensary Lounge 2451 E Tropicana Ave (702) 458-6343
 The Dispensary dispenses cocktails in a darkened, soothing bit of bar heaven.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Peppermill's Fireside Lounge**
 2985 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 735-7635
 For a timeless pleasuredome and that special, intimate evening, nothing beats the Fireside Lounge.

BEST ROMANTIC HOTEL

Rio All-Suites Casino Resort 3700 W Flamingo Rd (800) 752-9746
 Mardi Gras beads hang from the rearview mirrors of countless Nevada and California cars, and this resort is the culprit.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Bellagio** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (888) 987-6667
 An Italian fantasy—it's the most understated and luxurious hotel-casino in town.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Mandalay Bay Hotel & Casino**
 3950 Las Vegas Blvd S (877) 632-7000
 A jewel in the Vegas crown—elegant restaurants and a fabulous pool.

BEST ROMANTIC RESTAURANT

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Andre's** 401 S Sixth St (702) 385-5016
 When it comes to the height of romantic fine dining, this Vegas tradition maintains its superb reputation.

Prime 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 693-7223
 If there's a more beautiful steakhouse in the world, we've yet to encounter it.

Jazzed Cafe & Vinoteca 8615 W Sahara Ave (702) 233-2859
 Surround yourself with fabulous art, fine wines and first-rate Italian specialties at this intimate trattoria.

BEST SHOE STORE

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Dillard's Department Store**
 3200 Las Vegas Blvd S Ste 300 (702) 733-2008
 It's the department store where you can book a trip to Paris or buy a French dress.

Macy's 3200 Las Vegas Blvd S Ste 500 (702) 731-5111
 From a miracle on 34th St to a mall near you, this is middle-class America's own department store.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Prada** 3600 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 866-6886
 Welcome to the wonderful cult of Prada.

BEST SHOPPING AREA

Boulevard Mall 3528 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 735-8268
 Where else can you shop at Hot Topic and the Mole Hole all in the same day?



EDITORIAL WINNER! **Belz Factory Outlet World** 7400 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 896-5599
For locals and tourists alike, this is a shopping mecca.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Fashion Show Mall** 3200 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 369-8382
Don't be put off by the ambience: like all Vegas attractions, this mall is a place anyone can enjoy.

BEST SHOW ON THE STRIP

Blue Man Group: Live at Luxor

Like Three Stooges from another planet, these cosmic waifs have landed on the Strip.

De La Guarda

A new form of theater from Argentina throws convention to the wind.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **O by Cirque du Soleil at Bellagio**
If any production in a Las Vegas showroom deserves the word "sublime," this is the one.

BEST SINGLES SCENE

Gordon Biersch Brewing Company

3987 Paradise Rd (702) 312-5247

If you're single and ready to mingle, this is the place to be on Friday.

The Beach

365 Convention Center Dr (702) 731-1925

Surf's up at Sin City's most notorious meet market.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Rumjungle** 3950 S Las Vegas Blvd (702) 632-7777
Dance long enough at this rummy's paradise and you'll be a beautiful person too.

BEST SPORTS BAR

Kerry's Sports Pub

3520 N Rancho Dr (702) 645-8844

For the hardcore sports watcher who wants it all on every screen.

Nikki Lee's All-Star Pizza, Sports Bar & Pub

2640 E Sunset Rd (702) 312-3500

The perfect spot for the sports fan who also makes it out of the armchair once in a while.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Sports Bar at the Hard Rock**
4455 Paradise Rd (702) 693-5000
The Hard Rock's cozy sports bar is a welcome opposite to most game and beer joints.

BEST STEAK

Charlie Palmer Steak

3960 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 632-5123
Enter a serious steakhouse, with hunks of aged meat unencumbered by side dishes or excessive garniture.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Palm Restaurant** 3500 Las Vegas Blvd S at the Forum Shops at Caesars Palace (702) 732-7256
From the prime steaks to the huge grilled lobsters, this tony eatery gets the nod for best steakhouse in a very crowded category.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Delmonico's Steakhouse** 3355 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 414-3737
The original American steakhouse is given a superb twist at the Venetian.

BEST TAKEOUT FOOD

Pita Place

3429 S Jones Blvd (702) 221-9955

One of the best things to happen to Middle-Eastern food.

Red Apple Grill

3399 S Jones Blvd (702) 873-5022

A great meal, a good deal and a big, BBQ mess all at the same time. What could be better?

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Chicken Quick** 3516 Wynn Rd (702) 873-0029

A touch of India added to above-average take out.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Capriotti's Sandwich Shop** 324 W Sahara Ave (702) 474-0229

Voted Best Takeout Food by Citysearch users!

BEST VEGETARIAN FOOD

Viva Mercado's Mexican Restaurant

6182 W Flamingo Rd (702) 871-8826

Discover one of the liveliest and long-lived family Mexican restaurants in Las Vegas.

Gandhi

4080 Paradise Rd (702) 734-0094

Long a fixture on the Vegas dining scene, this pleasant Indian eatery features a great lunch buffet.

EDITORIAL and AUDIENCE WINNER! **Sweet Tomatoes** 2080 N Rainbow (702) 648-1957

For a quick, healthy meal different from other fast-food fare, this is a great spot.

BEST VINTAGE CLOTHING

AUDIENCE WINNER! **The Attic Las Vegas** 1018 S Main St (702) 388-4088

If '60s and '70s fashion and furniture is your bag, make tracks to The Attic, Vegas' most media-savvy vintage clothing store.

Valentino's Zoot Suit Connection 906 S 6th St (702) 383-9555

This is the place for some of the most high-quality (and high-end) vintage clothing in Vegas.

Retro Vintage Clothing 906 S Valley View Blvd (702) 877-8989

This shop adds a touch of Euro glamour to the normally, er, dusty world of vintage shopping.

BEST WOMEN'S CLOTHING

Betsey Johnson The Fashion Show Mall 3200 Las Vegas Blvd S (702) 735-3338

Mall rat-ettes haven't looked the same since Betsey Johnson's boutique came to town.

Buffalo Exchange 4110 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 791-3960

Like a cool Salvation Army thrift store that pays you for your stuff—sort of.

EDITORIAL WINNER! **Bebe**

The Forum Shops At Caesar's Palace 3500 S Las Vegas Blvd (702) 735-8885

Bebe is the place to go if you want to stay on the cutting-edge of twentysomething fashion.

AUDIENCE WINNER! **Dillard's** 3700 S Maryland Pkwy (702) 734-2111

Voted Best Women's Clothing by Citysearch users!



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