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## Best Coffee Spots In San Diego

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I drink way too much coffee, that is a fact. I have accepted that in my life, and have since grown to love and appreciate my need for a caffeine burst in the morning. In the hustle and bustle of busy work mornings, there's always one constant I can count on to keep me going: that cup of velvety smooth liquid energy. It is the highlight of my day, the one true love in my life. Luckily for me, as well as other coffee lovers out there,

*It's National Coffee Day on Tuesday, September 29, so get ready to celebrate your passion for java.*

These five local San Diego restaurants understand the necessity of high-quality, strong coffee and will be happy to satisfy your caffeine fix.



You're heard of bottomless mimosas, now try bottomless coffees. More specifically, [Breakfast Republic](#) in the trendy North Park neighborhood is serving their organic Breakfast Republic blend coffee. If you're feeling bold or simply need an extra jolt of caffeine, give their Cocky 12 a try. Cold-pressed for 12 hours, the Cocky 12 is served over coffee ice cubes to prevent dilution.

Another worthy highlight is their Caffeine Overdose, a drink flight composed of a latte, mocha and Mexican mocha, which will most likely set your brain abuzz.

Before you take off running, stop by Fig Tree Café in Pacific Beach to try their fair-trade, 100 percent organic and USDA-registered java. If you're not feeling straight-up joe, try the Mexican Mocha, or opt for their flavored lattes — the choices include almond-coconut, toasted marshmallow and pumpkin pie, ideal for the upcoming fall weather. Whether you choose to pair it with their fluffy French Toast Sampler or their rugged Man Candy, you simply cannot go wrong.

If you've ever dreamt of sipping artisanal coffee with a classic French pastry in a café overlooking the Eiffel Tower, [Le Parfait Paris](#), with its minimalist design and wide-open windows reflective of authentic Parisian cafés, is the place to be. Pair the artistically crafted macaron or elegantly buttered croissant with the finest quality coffee the *boulangerie* has to offer to achieve the translation of Le Parfait Paris: The Perfect Paris in the hub of Gaslamp Quarter.



True to the Latin roots of [Isabel's Cantina](#) in Pacific Beach, their 100 percent organic, fair-trade Guatemalan coffee has notes of cocoa and subtle spices intricately blended into the rich dark roast. Of course, true to the Latin-Asian fusion roots of Isabel herself, the cantina also boasts Thai coffee with sweetened condensed milk. Whether you choose to pair it with a side of sweet Coconut French Toast or savory Buddha Bowl, this coffee will have you ready to take on the day.



Coffee at 3 a.m. is always a good idea, which is exactly what you'll get at [Brian's 24](#) in the Gaslamp Quarter. At literally any time of the day, stop by for a fresh cup of locally roasted brew to go alongside your choice of a hearty size meal. From their crunchy Tater Tots loaded with pepperoni and house-made marinara to their Malted Waffle with specks of bacon bits cooked

inside, a cup of joe from Brian's 24 will have you wide awake and ready to tackle some food.