A chef is cooking in a wok on a gas stove. The flames are visible under the wok. The chef's hands are visible, holding the wok handle and a long-handled spoon. The background is a kitchen setting with various cooking equipment.

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**KING'S ROW,
PASADENA**

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TOP-RATED SAN GABRIEL VALLEY RESTAURANTS

Try these classics!

ALEXANDER'S

This Pasadena steakhouse is already legendary.

111 N Los Robles Ave, Pasadena, CA 91101
(626) 486-1111

TUTTI MANGIA

The Claremont staple offers the best Italian in the region in a quiet, romantic bistro.

102 Harvard Ave N, Claremont, CA 91711
(909) 625-4669

BISTRO NAS

Michelin-starred imperial Beijing cuisine. If that doesn't do it for you, we can't help.

9055 E Las Tunas Dr #105, Temple City, CA 91780
(626) 286-1999

TK92 KOREAN BBQ

There's no shortage of Korean barbecue in the SGV, but this may be the best of the all-you-can-eat joints.

250 W Valley Blvd Suite P, San Gabriel, CA 91776
(626) 782-7496

A RI RANG TOFU HOUSE

Hot bubbly tofu soup (*sundubu*) in a low-key setting.

529 E Valley Blvd #128, San Gabriel, CA 91776
(626) 288-6069

SANAMLUANG CUISINE

There will be a line, but it's worth it for the best Thai in the eastern SGV.

710 S Indian Hill Blvd, Claremont, CA 91711
(909) 621-0904

ROSIE THAI

Located along a utilitarian stretch of Arrow Highway, Rosie Thai offers down-home Thai cuisine. Atmosphere and service are not bad, but we recommend take-out for a Netflix and great curry.

20560 E Arrow Hwy, Covina, CA 91724
(626) 331-7679

SAIGON FLAVOR

Very authentic Vietnamese. A family-style restaurant with a warm family feeling.

208 E Valley Blvd, San Gabriel, CA 91776
(626) 572-6036

THE LUGGAGE ROOM

This iconic Pasadena eatery, once an actual luggage room for celebrity travelers, offers a mean pizza.

260 S Raymond Ave, Pasadena, CA 91105
(626) 356-4440

MINT LEAF INDIAN

Solid service and good food on the north side of Pasadena.

2535 E Washington Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91107
(626) 460-8776

SUSHI UMI

There is a wealth of sushi options along the northern stretch of the SGV, but this is our pick based on their great happy hour and generous portions.

423 E Arrow Hwy, Glendora, CA 91740
(626) 852-9892

KIYOSUZU

Authentic sushi with friendly service.

921 S Baldwin Ave #B, Arcadia, CA 91007
(626) 445-4756



ALEXANDER'S,
PASADENA

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MICHELIN-NOTED RESTAURANTS

The San Gabriel Valley has garnered more nods from the Michelin Guide than any other area of Southern California!

BURRITOS LA PALMA

Jonathon Gold listed this as one of his Top 5 Mexican joints in L.A.

5120 Peck Rd
El Monte, CA 91732
(626) 350-8286

CHENGDU IMPRESSION

Unapologetically spicy Sichuan cuisine.

21 Huntington Dr
Arcadia, CA 91006
(626) 462-9999

CHENGDU TASTE

One of the most venerated Sichuan restaurants in SoCal.

828 W Valley Blvd
Alhambra, CA 91803
(626) 588-2284

DAI HO

Taiwanese; only open for lunch.

9148 Las Tunas Dr
Temple City, CA 91780
(626) 291-2295

GRAND HARBOR

Beautiful location for dim sum.

5733 Rosemead Blvd
Temple City, CA 91780
(626) 280-2998

LAOXI NOODLE HOUSE

Spicy noodles from Shaanxi Province.

600 Live Oak Ave
Arcadia, CA 91006
(626) 348-2290

LONGO SEAFOOD

More than just fresh seafood - but the seafood alone is worth multiple trips.

7540 Garvey Ave
Rosemead, CA 91770
(626) 280-8188

LUNASIA

Hong Kong style dim sum. Among the best outside Hong Kong.

500 W Main St
Alhambra, CA 91801
(626) 308-3222

MEIZHOU DONGPO

You are here for the duck.

400 S Baldwin Ave,
Arcadia, CA 91007
(626) 538-4136

MIAN

Cold Sichuan noodles. Spicy and tasty!

301 W Valley Blvd #114,
San Gabriel, CA 91776
(626) 693-6888

SEA HARBOUR

Top notch dim sum in a simple setting. Seafood is excellent too!

3939 N Rosemead Blvd
Rosemead, CA 91770
(626) 288-3939

SHANGHAI NO. 1

Authentic Shanghainese. Braised pork is where it's at.

250 W Valley Blvd Suite #M
San Gabriel, CA 91776
(626) 282-1777

SICHUAN IMPRESSION

Fiery favorites, including mapo tofu.

1900 W Valley Blvd
Alhambra, CA 91803
(626) 283-4622

SHANGHAI NO. 1,
SAN GABRIEL



Chihua
LA

LOCAL COLOR

You can't say you've lived in the SGV until you've indulged in these iconic local eateries.

THE DERBY

Arcadia's upscale steakhouse was built to cater to jockeys, breeders, and celebs visiting nearby Santa Anita Park. Food and service are both impeccable.

233 Huntington Dr, Arcadia, CA 91006
(626) 461-7996

CLEARMAN'S NORTHWOODS INN (COVINA & SAN GABRIEL) & THE GALLEY (SAN GABRIEL)

Clearman's restaurants are all about hearty - read "gigantic" - portions in a kitschy atmosphere. Northwoods Inn sports an ironic-for-SoCal snowy lodge theme. The Galley is a nautical playground.

Northwoods Inn Covina: 540 N Azusa Ave, Covina

Northwoods Inn San Gabriel: 7247 Rosemead Blvd, San Gabriel

The Galley: 7215 Rosemead Blvd, San Gabriel

DONUT MAN

The Michaelangelo of donut shops. They put more fruit on their strawberry donut than your grocery store's entire produce department.

915 E Rte 66, Glendora, CA 91740
(626) 335-9111

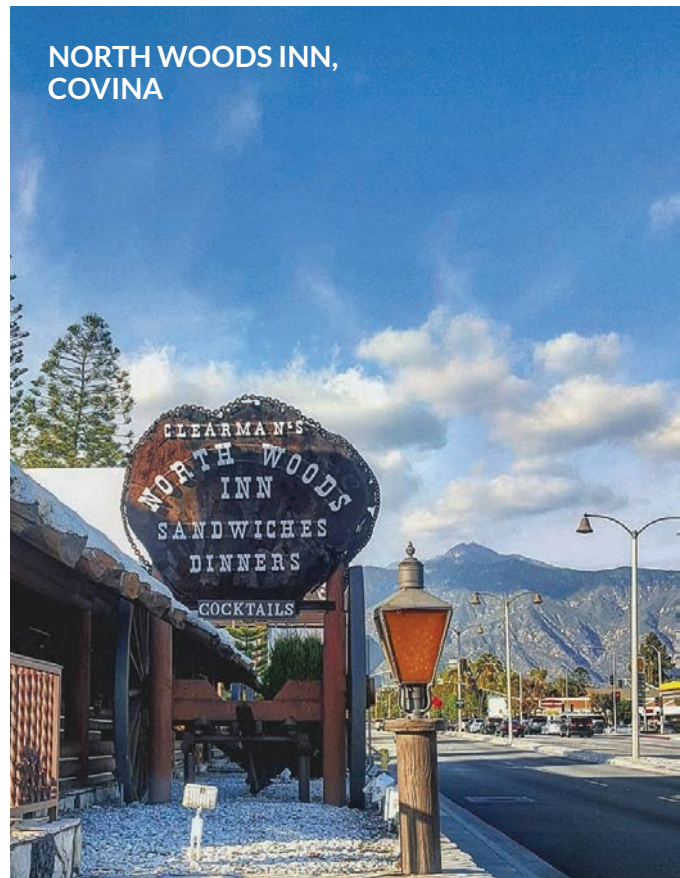
THE DONUT HOLE

A drive-through donut bakery. What's not to love?

15300 Amar Rd, La Puente, CA 91744
(626) 968-2912



THE DERBY, ARCADIA



NORTH WOODS INN,
COVINA



DONUT MAN,
GLENDRORA



THE DONUT HOLE,
LA PUENTE



**THE HAT'S PASTRAMI
FRIES**



**BROGUIERE'S DAIRY,
ALTADENA**



PORTO'S DELI, WEST COVINA

PORTO'S

Admittedly, Porto's began in nearby Glendale, but we are proud to host America's most famous Cuban bakery's West Covina location. Oh, those potato balls.

584 S Sunset Ave, West Covina, CA 91790
(626) 214-3490

BROGUIERE'S FARM FRESH DAIRY

After an outcry surrounding their potential closure in 2019, the makers of the best eggnog on Earth are back.

505 S Maple Ave, Montebello, CA 90640
(323) 726-0524

THE HAT

If you can finish one pastrami sandwich on your own, you are a champion. Locations across L.A.,



**DOG HAUS,
CLAREMONT, WEST COVINA,
ALHAMBRA, & PASADENA.**

including Alhambra, Temple City, Glendora, Pasadena, and Monterey Park.

ONO HAWAIIAN B-B-Q

This SGV original offers simple, healthy Hawaiian plates at fast food prices. Monterey Park, Glendora, La Verne, Puente Hills, Rosemead, Rowland Heights, and more.

DOG HAUS

Sit down, Pink's. "The Absolute Wurst" offers the best hotdogs around! Claremont, West Covina, Alhambra, and Pasadena.

LATIN AMERICAN CUISINE



Finding great *Mexican* food here is like shooting fish in a barrel. People will argue the best taco stand, taco truck, burrito joint - and it's all wonderful.

But the diverse Latino population also offers great food choices from El Salvador, Peru, and more!

Here are a few classics, which hardly do justice to the region's culinary riches:

BURRITOS LA PALMA

Small, flavorful burritos with delicious tortillas.

5120 Peck Rd, El Monte, CA 91732
(626) 350-8286

MEXICALI #2

A longstanding Los Angeles taco place has its second home in San Gabriel.

1811 S. San Gabriel Boulevard, San Gabriel (760) 342-2333

TROPICAL MEXICO

Family-style sit-down tucked away in south Pomona.

1371 S East End Ave, Pomona, CA 91766
(909) 623-7573

EL PORTAL

Excellent Yucatan cuisine. Try the

Cochinita Pipil (and the many tequilas).

695 E Green St, Pasadena, CA 91101
(626) 795-8553

LA CARAVANA

Simple atmosphere for delicious Salvadoran fare. Pupusas, hearty chicken soup, fried plantains, and seafood!

1306 N Lake Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104
(626) 791-7378

EL DORADO POLLOS A LA BRASA

Hearty Peruvian rotisserie chicken with yucca fries.

140 E Orange Grove Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91103
(626) 486-2062

MI LINDO OAXACA RESTAURANT

Craving mole? Come here for your authentic Oaxaqueño fix!

13922 Ramona Blvd, Baldwin Park, CA 91706
(626) 364-3725

EL GARROBERO

Central American tamales and pupusas revueltas. Low-key with top-notch service.

13056 Valley Blvd, La Puente, CA 91746
(626) 346-3827

GUASALMEX RESTAURANT

Specializing in Guatemalan cuisine, Guasalmex also serves Salvadorean horchata with pumpkin seeds and churro donuts with ice cream.

150 W Holt Ave, Pomona, CA 91768
(909) 623-1107

CHAMO VENEZUELAN CUISINE

Many fine choices of arapas, but try the cachapas (Venezuelan corn pancake with filling).

950 E. Colorado Blvd, Pasadena, CA, 91106
(626) 639-3339

PEPPE'S POLLO

A modest strip-mall exterior hides authentic Columbian fare within.

1209 S Glendora Ave, West Covina, CA 91790
(626) 918-0604

COCO PALMS RESTAURANT

This Cuban dining experience offers one of the best views of the valley from atop its cliffside perch.

1600 Fairplex Dr, Pomona, CA 91768
(909) 469-1965

RIO PICANHA BRAZILIAN STEAKHOUSE

Churrascaria is Portuguese for "mountains of slow-cooked beef on skewers". Mmm!

381 N Azusa Ave, West Covina, CA 91791
(626) 727-6449

Pupusas Galore!

Try the flat cakes at any of these bakery restaurants.

La Caravana
(See article.)

La Casa de Abuelita
3133 San Gabriel Blvd, Rosemead, CA 91770
(626) 288-2707

Melys Pupuseria
863 N Lake Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104
(626) 794-1776

El Garrobero
(See article.)

Llego El Sabor
1308 N Lake Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104
(626) 765-6309

Los Planes De Renderos
11819 Valley Blvd, El Monte, CA 91732
(626) 453-0475



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BREWERIES

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CLAREMONT CRAFT ALES

1420 N Claremont Blvd Ste 204C,
Claremont, CA 91711
www.claremontcraftales.com
(909) 625-5350
Closed Monday

CRAFTSMAN BREWING COMPANY

1260 Lincoln Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103
www.craftsmanbrewing.com
(626) 296-2537

HOP SECRET

162 W Pomona Ave, Monrovia, CA
91016
www.hopsecretbrewing.com

38 DEGREES ALE HOUSE

100 W Main St, Alhambra, CA 91801
www.38degreesalehouse.com
(626) 282-2038

LA VERNE BREWING COMPANY

2125 Wright Ave Ste C15, La Verne, CA
91750
lavernebrewingco.com
(909) 596-5804

MT. LOWE BREWING COMPANY

150 E St Joseph St, Arcadia, CA 91006
www.mtlowebrewing.com
(626) 244-7593

OGOPOGO BREWING

864 Commercial Ave, San Gabriel, CA
91776
ogopogobrewco.com
(626) 427-1652
Closed Monday & Tuesday

OHANA BREWING COMPANY

7 S 1st St, Alhambra, CA 91801
ohanabrew.com
(626) 282-2337

OLD STUMP BREWERY

2896 Metropolitan Pl, Pomona, CA
91767
www.oldstumpbrewery.com
(909) 860-9052
Closed Tuesday

OVER TOWN BREWING COMPANY

227 W Maple Ave, Monrovia, CA 91016
www.overtownbrew.com
(626) 408-5814
Closed Monday & Tuesday

PACIFIC PLATE BREWING COMPANY

1999 S Myrtle Ave, Monrovia, CA 91016
pacificplatebrewing.com
(626) 239-8456

PROGRESS BREWING COMPANY

1822 Chico Ave, South El Monte, CA
91733
www.progress-brewing.com
(626) 552-9603

RT ROGERS BREWING

38 E Montecito Ave, Unit 1 Sierra Madre,
CA 91024
rtrbrew.com
(626) 921-0308
Closed Monday & Tuesday

STONE BREWING TAP ROOM

220 S Raymond Ave Ste 103 Pasadena,
CA 91105
www.stonebrewing.com/visit/outposts/pasadena
(626) 440-7243

WINGWALKER BREWING

235 W Maple Ave, Monrovia, CA 91016
wingwalkerbrewing.com
(626) 720-1983
Closed Tuesday

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Rainbow Elotes, 626 Night Market, Arcadia



Hand-pulled lamian noodles, Northern Cafe, Temple City



Plantain empanadas, Don Carlos Pupuseria, South El Monte



Cereal Milk Shake with Boba Pearls, Boba Tea Lounge, Covina



Chang fen (rice noodle rolls) & milk tea, Yin Ji Chang Fen, San Gabriel*



Korean barbecued seafood, RH BBQ, Rowland Heights



Bacon-wrapped unicorn leg, L.A. County Fair, Pomona



Raspado (shave ice) cart, Pomona



Fresh zongzi, Dim Sum King, El Monte

*Photo courtesy of Rich Sanders at ethnojunkie.com.

Chinese Paradise

Name any style of Chinese cuisine - we've got it!

BEIJING

Beijing food is rich: salty, fresh, and tender, with a liberal use of sauces. Peking duck is world-famous, but flash-boiled mutton, shredded sautéed meat with soy bean paste, and quick-fried tripe are also staples. Beijing is also known for side dishes like stir-fried liver, thousand-layered cake, pea cake, donkey rolls, and mung bean milk.

那家小館 **Bistro Na's**

9055 Las Tunas Dr, Suite 105, Temple City, CA 91780
(626) 286-1999



：同顺居 (Rowland Heights店) **Beijing Restaurant**
：18888 Labin Ct Ste C101, Rowland Heights, CA 91748
：(626) 986-4106



北京烤鴨 **PEKING DUCK**

：One of the most iconic Chinese foods of all time, *Beijing Kaoya* has a thin, crispy skin and tender meat - sometimes carved in front of diners like a Thanksgiving turkey.

：眉州東坡 **Meizhou Dongpo Restaurant**
：400 S Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA 91007
：(626) 538-4136



：鹿鼎記 **Duck House**
：501 S. Atlantic Blvd, Monterey Park CA 91754
：(626) 284-3227



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(626) 445-7232

1600 Azusa Ave. Unit 178, Industry CA
91748
(860) 266-6666



山城辣妹子 Shancheng Lameizi

1530 S. San Gabriel Blvd, San Gabriel CA
91776
(626) 766-1700



馬路邊邊 MLBB Hot Pot

18194 Colima Rd. # A, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(626) 820-9206

唇辣號重慶火鍋 Chun La Hao Chong
Qing Hot Pot
5701 Rosemead Blvd, Temple City CA
91780
(626) 777-7878



大龍燄 Dalongyi Hot Pot
250 W Valley Blvd Ste L, San Gabriel
CA 91776
(626) 872-6690



CANTONESE

Mild, fresh, natural, and slightly sweet - a Cantonese chef seeks to preserve food's original flavor, rather than bury it under spices and oil.

凱悅大酒樓 Happy Harbor Restaurant
1015 Nogales St, Rowland Heights CA
91748
(626) 965-2020



半島海鮮酒家 New Capital Seafood Restaurant

1330 Fullerton Rd, Rowland Heights, CA
91748
(626) 581-9813



半島海鮮酒家 Five Star Seafood Restaurant

140 W. Valley Blvd, 4th Fl, San Gabriel, CA
91776
(626) 288-1899



新港海鮮 Newport Seafood Restaurant

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鴻德品位 **Longo Seafood Restaurant**
7540 Garvey Ave, Rosemead CA 91770
(626) 280-8188

TAIWANESE

Taiwanese cuisine relies on an abundant array of seasonings for flavor: soy sauce, rice wine, sesame oil, fermented black beans, pickled radish, and much more. An important part of Taiwanese cuisine are *xiaochi*, small plates, similar to Spanish tapas.

福軒雅敘 **Cafe Fusion**
510 E Live Oak Ave, Arcadia CA 91006
(626) 447-6488



辛巴樂 **Simbala Restaurant**
510 E Live Oak Ave, Arcadia CA 91006
(626) 581-9885

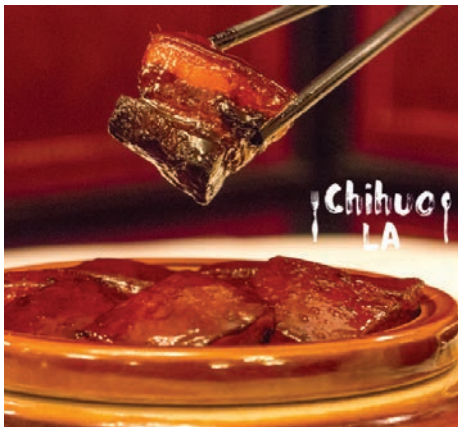


印地安啤酒屋 **Uncle Yu's Indian Theme Restaurant**
633 S. San Gabriel Blvd, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 287-0688

HUAIYANG

Huaiyang cooking tends to have a slightly sweet side to it and is almost never spicy. This light, meticulous cuisine often features pork, as well as freshwater fish and other aquatic creatures.

上海1號 **Shanghai No. 1**
250 W Valley Blvd Ste M, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 282-1777



隆興記 **Longxing Ji**
140 W Valley Blvd Ste 211, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 307-1188



ShanghaiPalace
1440 S. Baldwin Ave, Arcadia CA 91007

1695 S. Azusa Ave, Hacienda Heights CA 91745
(626) 348-8866

SICHUAN

Sichuanese cuisine has bold flavors, with pungent spiciness from a liberal use of garlic and chili peppers, as well as the unique flavour of the "numbing" Sichuan pepper. There are many local variations from Sichuan Province and its neighbour, Chongqing.



錦城裡 **Sichuan Impression**
1900 W. Valley Blvd, Alhambra CA 91803
(626) 283-4622



滋味成都 **Chengdu Taste**
828 W. Valley Blvd, Alhambra, CA 91803
(626) 588-2284

18406 E. Colima Rd. Suite A, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(909) 675-8888



喵喵鮮 **Miao Miao Xian**
18888 Labin Court, B 109, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(626) 269-0354



成都映像 **Chengdu Impression**
21 Huntington Dr, Arcadia CA 91006
(626) 462-9999

DIM SUM

This Cantonese classic is perennially popular because it allows a hundred little flavors in one meal. Bring friends - the more eaters, the more dishes, the better!

海港大酒樓 Sea Harbour Seafood Restaurant

3939 Rosemead Blvd, Rosemead CA 91770
(626) 288-3939



凱悅大酒樓 Happy Harbor Restaurant

1015 Nogales St, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(626) 965-2020



紅館 China Red

855 S. Baldwin Ave, Arcadia CA 91007
(626) 461-3124



海寶潮粵酒家 NBC Seafood Restaurant

404 S. Atlantic Blvd, Monterey Park CA 91754
(626) 282-2323



NOODLES

LANZHOU BEEF NOODLE SOUP

Pulled noodles from the minority people of Lanzhou are hearty and chewy - and fun to watch being made!

蘭州牛肉拉麵 Northern Cafe Lan Noodle

411 E Huntington Dr, #102, Arcadia CA 91006
(626) 618-6686



頤豐園 Northern Cafe

128N. Garfield Ave, Monterey Park CA 91754
(626) 766-1258

9608 E. Las Tunas Dr, Temple City CA 91780
(626) 286-5288

CHONGQING NOODLES

Spicy! Chongqing, like neighboring Sichuan, relies on "tongue-numbing" peppers for extravagant tastes.

重慶特色小麵 Chongqing Special Noodles

708 E Las Tunas Dr, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 374-1849



滋味小面 Mian

18459 Colima Rd, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(626) 346-3115

GUILIN RICE NOODLES (MIFEN)

Served as a soup, mifen is spicy and sour. The broth and noodles are served with peanuts, peppers, pickled vegetables, and a choice of meats.



桂陝一家 Qin West Noodle

400 S. Baldwin Ave. # 2310, Arcadia CA 91007
(626) 538-4098



綠鼎記 Ludingji Rice Noodle

529 E. Valley Blvd, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 714-3888

18211 R. Gale Ave, City of Industry, CA 91748
(626) 714-3889

SHANNXI NOODLES (BIANGBIANG MIAN) & SHANXI NOODLES (DAO XIAO MIAN)

Noodles sliced off a lump of dough, straight into boiling broth!



山西面家 New Mandarin Noodle Deli
9537 Las Tunas Dr, Temple City CA 91780
(626) 309-4318



西安食府 Xian Kitchen
18213 E. Gale Ave, City of Industry CA, 91748
(626) 965-9000



Rou Jiamou, a delicious beef or lamb sandwich from Northwestern China, is also available at many pulled noodle restaurants.



TAIWANESE BEEF NOODLES

牛魔王 Blue Samurai Noodle Bistro
1155 S. Diamond Blvd. #E, Diamond Bar CA 91765
(909) 718-9877

DUMPLINGS



JIAOZI 餃子

The crescent-shaped, pinched-closed northern style dumplings are similar to what you'll find in Korean cuisine.

頤豐園 Northern Cafe
9608 E. Las Tunas Dr, Temple City CA, 91780
(626) 286-5288

18495 Colima Rd. Suite 3&4, Rowland Heights, CA 91748
(626) 269-0842

XIAOLONGBAO 小籠包

These pouch-shaped dumplings give a burst of stew-like juice when bitten into.

隆興記 Longxingji Juicy Dumpling
140 W. Valley Blvd. Suite 211, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 307-1188



鼎泰豐 Din Tai Fung
400 S. Baldwin Ave. # M5, Arcadia CA 91007
At the Westfield Santa Anita Mall
(626) 446-8588



BOBA

耀記 Yiukee Hong Kong Tea Station
18234 Gale Ave, City of Industry CA 91748
(626) 802-5428

鹿角巷 The Alley
301 W. Valley Blvd. # 102, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 656-6319

老虎堂 Tiger Sugar
18830 Colima Rd, Rowland Heights CA 91748
(626) 581-0505

一芳 Yifang Taiwan Fruit Tea
534 Valley Blvd. # 6, San Gabriel CA 91776
(626) 872-6884

18495 E. Colima Rd. #5, Rowland Heights CA 91748
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“The Julia Child of Taiwan” Brings Her Expertise to the SoCal Food Scene

THERESA LIN 林慧懿

CHEF, TV/RADIO PRESENTER, FILM CONSULTANT



CAREER

In Taiwan, I had a radio program for people who missed their hometown cooking. They would call in and I could offer advice on how to replicate it.

I moved my kids to the United States for their education and started a radio show on AM 1300 in Los Angeles, “What to Eat Today”. I had talk shows, one called “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner”. I also advertise for top-quality cooking brands, judge cooking contests, and arrange TV shows. I did one called “Good Men Can Cook”, and another about *boazi*, steamed stuffed dumplings. People use the word 土包子, “*tu baozi*”, to mean uneducated, countryside people, so I said, “Why not do a cooking show on excellent *boazi* to give it some respect?”

THE ESSENTIALS

For food to be good, in Chinese we say “色, 香, 味” – “presentation, smell, taste”. For me, flavor is the most essential thing.

But presentation needs the five colors: black, red, green, white, and yellow. And not just for the look. Each color is good for a different organ: black *mu er* (wood ear mushrooms) for your kidneys, green spinach or broccoli for your liver, red foods for your heart. Yellow gets overlooked, but it’s good for your spleen.

EAT DRINK MAN WOMAN

I became the cooking consultant for Ang Lee’s film “Eat Drink Man Woman”. [Possibly the best movie about food of all time. -ed.] Lee needed a character for his leading actor who knew *all* Chinese cooking, so I said “Only I can do that!” We had been hiring chefs from across China’s eight main cuisines. If you go

to an expert chef, he’ll know how to cook Sichuanese or Shanghainese or Cantonese, but nobody can do all of it. Even back in Taiwan, I had already been convening chefs from the different traditions so they could learn from each others’ techniques. Lee called me “the Julia Child of Taiwan!”

We got invited to the Oscars for Best Foreign Film, and at Cannes and the Ghent Film Festivals in France and Belgium.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

I always tell my foreign friends to come to the San Gabriel Valley. We say that it covers the “Eight Traditional Cuisines” of China. It’s like a little hometown for every kind of Chinese food. The food is good, the people are kind, and authentic food is inexpensive. San Francisco and New York have good food, but it’s too expensive!

LAS VEGAS

I was the founder and owner of the Royal Star at the Venetian. In 2002 and 2003, we were selected as the best Chinese food in town.

PEONY PAVILLION

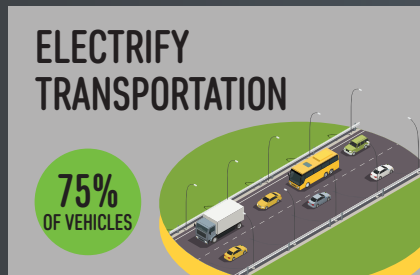
Once, Professor Kenneth Hsien-yung Pai (UC Santa Barbara) hosted a performance of the opera “Peony Pavillion” in Hollywood, and they asked me to do their after-parties. Over 200 people showed up, performers, movie stars, academics! We borrowed a couple vans to bring all the equipment, and had to do all the cooking on his balcony. We did congee one night and then wonton soup with shark, pork stomach, chicken, and eggs. And the last night we steamed beef noodles and dumplings. I still run into people when I go to Santa Barbara who say, “I remember those parties!”

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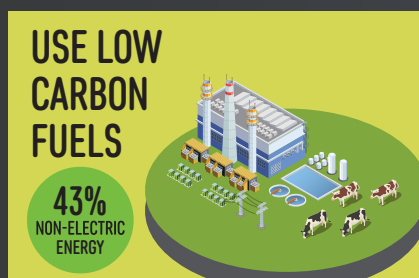
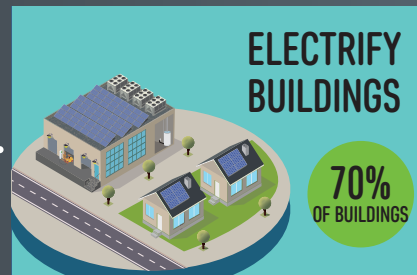
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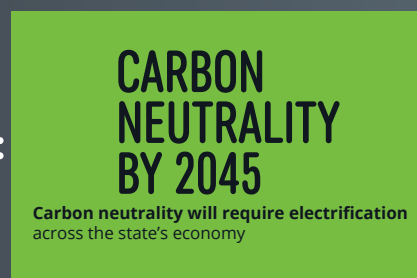
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