



2024  
Locally Liked & Loved Spots



What's New?



# SoCal Sights

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Fun, Fashionable &  
Often Inconsistent

Why People Love Visiting and  
Living in Southern California



Something For  
Everyone

From Average to Upscale,  
You Won't Want to Miss This

## People Here Love Variety & Finding Their Niche



### Boba Beverages

Best Boba in SoCal?

Some People Are Calling Yi Fang, the Best.



## So Many Bakeries

There are thousands of bakeries in California. It might be too difficult to say which is best.



So, here are some great ones

- Portos
- Pinwheel
- I Like Pie



Surprisingly, some of the best bakeries are hidden.

Keep an eye out at

- International Markets
- Malls
- Small Plazas

# Places With Feeling



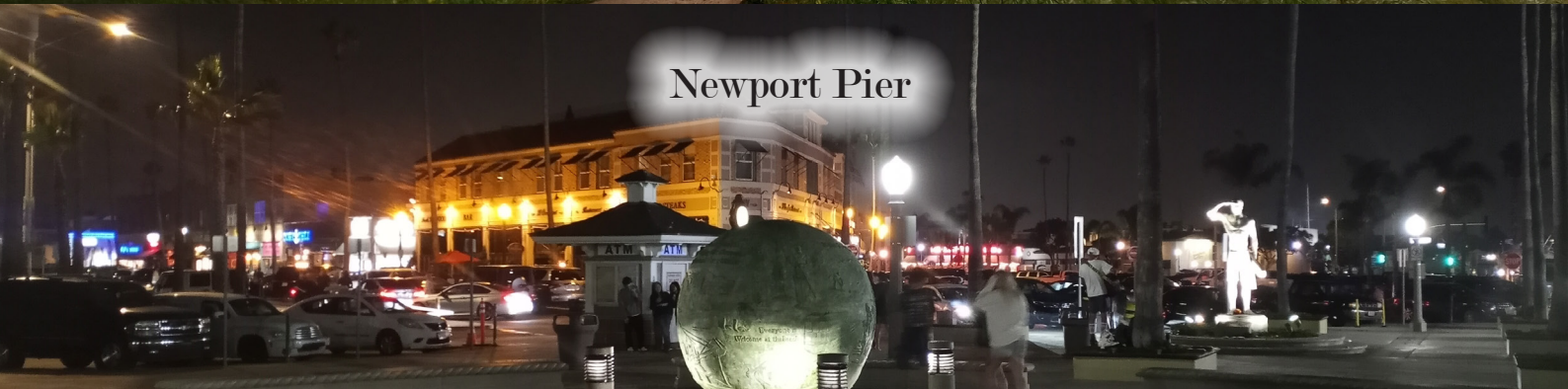
Joshua Tree & Coachella Valley



Chino Hills State Park



Newport Pier



# Cities Worth Talking About



## San Pedro

A celebration of Italian heritage and icon to LA locals, this city is a romantic world of culture, light and festivity.

Genuine people with authentic businesses, the ocean minutes away; what more could a Californian want?

Whether you're a couple or a lone wolf, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

## Claremont

What people love about quaint towns and youthful cities can be found at Claremont Village.

Take a leisurely walk down the street by the college for a sensory delight.



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LOT OF NOTHING  
AMSTERDAM  
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## Rancho Palos Verdes

Boasting one of the highest average incomes per household, this area is a land of its own.

The resorts and South Coast Botanical Garden are very well-known to Southern California's high earners. Its whimsical roads are curvy and uphill, inciting passion and ambition.

Even its grocery stores like Bristol Farms carry a magical aura that inspire luxurious picnics with a view of the peninsula.

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In the small city of Crestline, residents are quiet, friendly reserved normal people. They don't try to attract tourists because they love the land, their lake and the animals around the area. If you want a peek into the lifestyle of this locality, try not to stand out and slowly take in the fresh air.

## Crestline





## Closing Time

## Skyspace OUE

This once popular skyscraper attraction featuring an attached transparent slide is closed permanently. Located in the US Bank building in Los Angeles, the pandemic caused a financial burden it could not survive. It will be remembered for being a thrilling, trendy experience with a great view of LA.



## Sam Ash Ontario

In the Ontario Mills Mall, the beloved music store is closing. Recently holding a clearance sale, they announced with signage the closing. There was no clear indication why this location in particular is failing, but is speculated to be from declining sales and competition from other music instrument stores.



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# The Freshest Produce

## Gless Ranch | Riverside

For the freshest oranges in Southern California, try Gless Ranch. They have a small shop alongside the ranch and even offer curbside pickup.

## Oak Glen | Yucaipa

Apple season in Oak Glen is famous here. You can pick your own or buy from the local shops. Aside from the freshly grown apples, there's apple cider, pie, apple butter and more!

## Moon Valley Nurseries

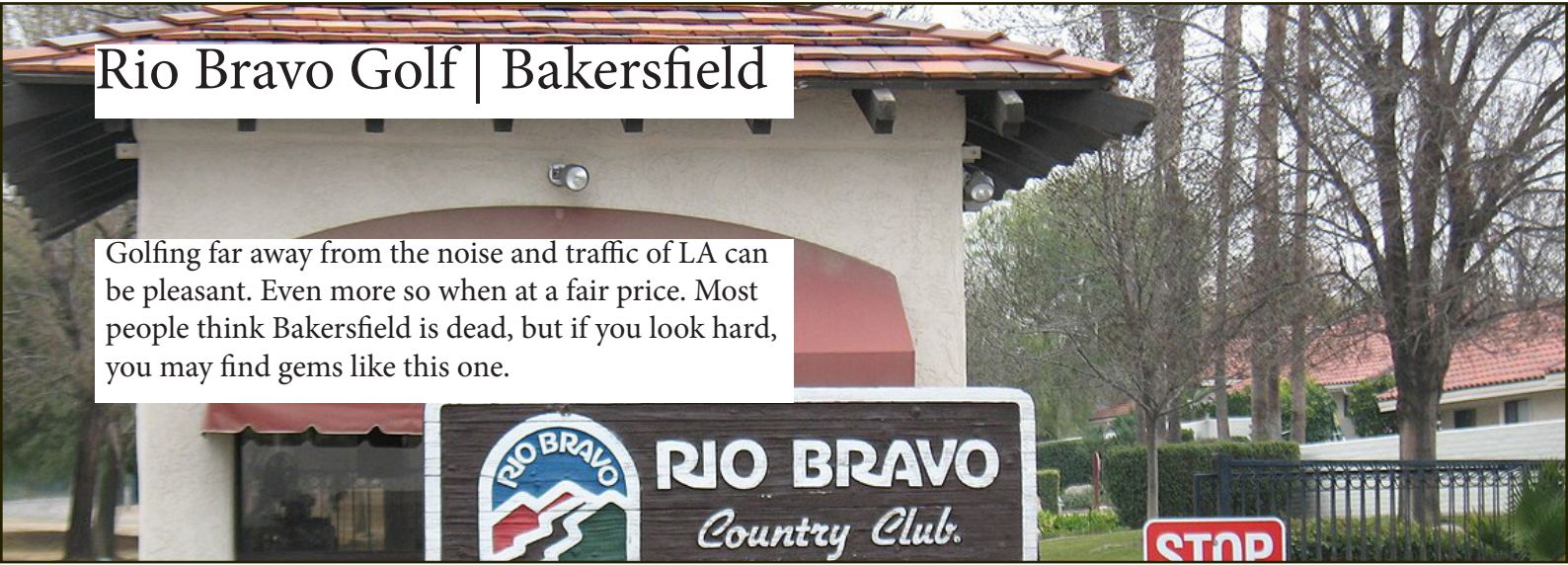
With many locations throughout the country, this well-known large farming operation is open to the public. At their Riverside location, hand-picking plants to take home is always fun and intimate.



# Underrated

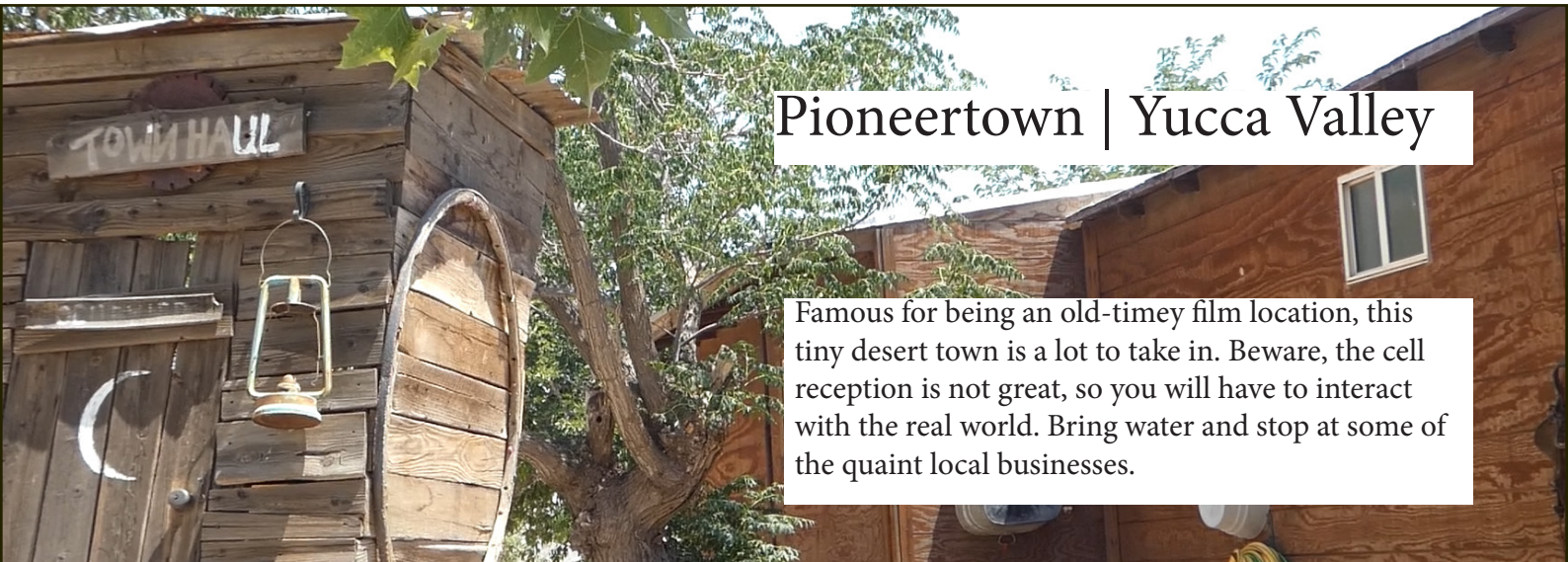
## Rio Bravo Golf | Bakersfield

Golfing far away from the noise and traffic of LA can be pleasant. Even more so when at a fair price. Most people think Bakersfield is dead, but if you look hard, you may find gems like this one.



## Pioneertown | Yucca Valley

Famous for being an old-timey film location, this tiny desert town is a lot to take in. Beware, the cell reception is not great, so you will have to interact with the real world. Bring water and stop at some of the quaint local businesses.



## Brawley | Imperial County

If you enjoy rodeos, small town feels, wide open spaces and nice local businesses, this place could be what you're looking for. The Cattle Call Arena hosts annual major rodeo events with great energy. Downtown can be a nice quiet walk with small shops you can support.





# Try Something New

South Lake Park | San Marcos

This lake trail is a great place to enjoy California lilacs,

Cielo Farms | Malibu Canyons

A luxurious winery with a view of Los Angeles' mountains,

Mount Wilson Observatory | Pasadena

Above the city is an elevated experience with educational tours, unique views and even a cafe,

Crystal Cove | Newport Beach

Enjoy classic beach sunsets along the coast and a cafe with adult beverages,

Cozy Pine Speakeasy | Irvine

A hidden camping-themed experience inside Bacchus Bar & Bistro starting at 5pm,

Europa Village Resort | Temecula

A winery & resort in one with an old world Italian vibe,

Tiki-Time Bay Tours | San Diego

Private charters of San Diego Bay with a tiki bar,

Idyllwild-Pine Cove | San Jacinto Mountains

Getaway in nature at this mountain community

# What's Trendy in the City?



## California Marketplace

A Korean marketplace in the city of LA with a wide variety of things to eat, drink, see and places to sit.

## Yellow Vase

A bakery and cafe with flowers, a view of the ocean, excellent reviews and class.

## Tokyo Central

A cross between culture, authentic vendors and a supermarket, this place is excellent for those with love and respect for the Japanese.

## Kura Revolving Sushi Bar

A futuristic, automated, cultural sushi restaurant with good flavor and multiple locations.



# What's Trendy in Nature?

## Catalina Island

A tourist trap, some call it, but a beautiful island tourist trap at that. A boat ride is required to get there, adding a sense of adventure to the experience.

## The Cave Store

It's not every day you discover a real sea cave. In La Jolla, The Cave Store serves as an entrance to a cave leading to the sea.

## Artists Palette

Crafted by oxidation, weathering and natural processes, this 9-mile series of hills in Death Valley is uniquely beautiful.

## Carrizo Plain National Monument

In San Luis Obispo County, a wonder-filled plain with wildflowers, a salt lake, valleys and hills sits.

## Laguna Beach Salt Pools

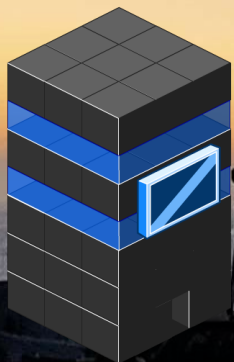
Some call it a secret. Some call it a hidden beach. Some call it a gem. Whatever you call it, it's naturally captivated locals with its unmarked trail and curiosity invoking qualities.



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