

# Culinary Exploring: Cooking on Eastside

The Eastside of Los Angeles is a melting pot of cultures, and its food scene reflects that diversity. From classic Mexican dishes to innovative fusion cuisine, there's something for everyone to enjoy. In this article, we'll take you on a culinary journey through the Eastside, featuring some of the best restaurants and dishes the area has to offer.

## Mexican food

No visit to the Eastside would be complete without trying some of the area's authentic Mexican food. Here are a few of our favorite spots:



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- **Guisados:** This popular taqueria is known for its delicious tacos, which are made with fresh, high-quality ingredients. The carnitas tacos are a must-try, but you really can't go wrong with anything on the menu.

- **La Azteca Tortilleria:** This family-owned and operated tortilla factory has been making fresh, handmade tortillas for over 50 years. The tortillas are used in a variety of dishes at the factory's restaurant, including tacos, burritos, and tamales.
- **El Tepeyac Cafe:** This classic Eastside restaurant has been serving up traditional Mexican dishes for over 60 years. The menu features a wide variety of options, including enchiladas, tamales, and pozole.

## **Fusion cuisine**

In recent years, the Eastside has become a hotbed for fusion cuisine, which combines elements of different culinary traditions. Here are a few of our favorite fusion restaurants:

- **Lasa:** This modern Filipino restaurant serves up a unique blend of Filipino and American flavors. The menu features dishes like adobo-glazed pork belly, lumpia spring rolls, and ube cheesecake.
- **Trois Familia:** This popular restaurant serves up a creative mix of Mexican and Vietnamese cuisine. The menu features dishes like the banh mi taco, the pho burrito, and the tres leches flan.
- **Sonoratown:** This casual restaurant serves up a unique blend of Mexican and Sonoran cuisine. The menu features dishes like the Sonoran hot dog, the carne asada fries, and the bacon-wrapped shrimp.

## **Other great restaurants**

In addition to the Mexican and fusion restaurants listed above, there are many other great restaurants on the Eastside. Here are a few of our

favorites:

- **The Pie Hole:** This popular pie shop has been serving up delicious pies for over 10 years. The menu features a variety of classic and seasonal pies, including apple, cherry, chocolate, and salted caramel.
- **HomeState:** This Texas-style barbecue joint is known for its delicious brisket, ribs, and sausage. The restaurant also has a great selection of sides, including mac and cheese, coleslaw, and potato salad.
- **The Oinkster:** This popular burger spot is known for its delicious burgers, which are made with fresh, high-quality ingredients. The menu also features a variety of other items, including fries, onion rings, and milkshakes.

The Eastside of Los Angeles is a culinary paradise, with something to offer everyone. Whether you're looking for classic Mexican dishes, innovative fusion cuisine, or simply great food, you're sure to find it on the Eastside. So come on down and explore the many culinary delights that the Eastside has to offer!



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