

## LOS ANGELES

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In addition to its many gay and lesbian bars and clubs, Santa Monica Boulevard also has a vast array of gay-interest shops. Elsewhere in Hollywood, the LGBT Center on North Hudson Avenue is the biggest gay and lesbian organization anywhere in the world.



# **GAY & LESBIAN BARS**

#### Abbey

The Abbey is a large bar complex with indoor and outdoor areas, multiple bars and candles everywhere. Hang out with the boys and girls in the busy outdoor patio or chill in front of one of the fireplaces or in the comfy couch booths in the back while sipping expensive mixed drinks - a great place for happy hour, brunch or a night out. Elizabeth Taylor (who's image is enshrined inside) even rolls in from time to time to show those queens who really is Queen. The Abbey was recently named the #1 Gay Bar in the world by Logo.

692 North Robertson Blvd. (Santa Monica Blvd.)
West Hollywood, CA 90069
Tel: + (1-310) 289 8410
http://www.sbe.com/abbey/

#### Rage Restaurant Bar

Two-level Rage sits proudly in the middle of West Hollywood on Santa Monica Blvd. You'll find a younger crowd with boys and girls paying the cover to bop to the pop/dance remix fare. See and be seen on the patio out front or go inside to enjoy the videos and the dance floor.





8911 Santa Monica Blvd. (San Vicente)
West Hollywood, CA 90069
Tel: + (1-310) 652 7055
http://www.theragenightclub.com/

### **Eagle LA**

Long-standing leather bar which has gained new popularity with its new monthly event, Cub Scout.

That's in addition to the famous Sunday beer busts and Meat Rack parties.

4219 Santa Monica Blvd (at Myra Ave.) Los Angeles, CA 90029 Silverlake Tel: + (323) 669-9472 http://www.eaglela.com/

### Micky's

After hiatus due to a fire, the iconic WeHo club has reopened offering a full menu and is hotter than ever. Bar and dance floor are packed with boys of all ages on the weekends (including late night hours on Friday and Saturday).

8857 Santa Monica Blvd. West Hollywood, CA 90069 Tel: + (1-310) 657 1176 http://www.mickys.com

#### **Faultline Bar**

Leather, rock and a whole lotta lovin'. With beer busts every Sunday afternoon and great drink specials on Wednesdays, this bar caters to the blue-collar crowd.

4216 Melrose Avenue (Vermont)
Los Angeles, CA 90029
Tel: + (1-323) 660 0889
http://www.faultlinebar.com/

### **Here Lounge**

This lounge/dance spot is located right next to the Abbey and has nearly a week's worth of different events lined up to suit anyone's taste. Monday is "dragtastic" Sassy Show, Wednesday gets dirty with Stripper Circus, Friday is ladies night with Truck Stop, Saturday gets steamy with the boys again for Hip House and Sunday rocks it out big all afternoon and evening.

696 North Robertson Blvd. (Santa Monica Blvd.)

West Hollywood, CA 90069 Tel: + (1-310) 360 8455 http://www.herelounge.com/





## **Mother Lode**

Come as you are without the WeHo attitude. Not relying on weekly events, Mother Lode can pack a large regular bar crowd. Some describe it as a dive bar, but the drinks are as strong as the men.

8944 Santa Monica Blvd. (Robertson)
West Hollywood, CA 90069
Tel: + (1-310) 659 9700
http://www.motherlodewesthollywood.com

#### **Gold Coast**

Friendly neighborhood cruise bar (unintentionally retro)
West Hollywood - 8228 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA
http://www.goldcoastweho.com/

#### Roosterfish

Big, fun neighborhood bar with a great atmosphere Venice - 1302 Abbot Kinney Blvd., Venice, CA http://www.roosterfishbar.com/

#### **Fubar**

NYC's East Village meets West Hollywood West Hollywood - 7994 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA http://www.fubarla.com/



## **GAY & LESBIAN RESTAURANTS**

### **French Quarter Restaurant**

A WeHo institution
West Hollywood - 7985 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA
Tel: + (1-323) 654 0898

## **Hamburger Marys West Hollywood**

The colorful chain that's more than just a place to get burgers
West Hollywood - 8288 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA
Tel: + (1-323) 654 3800





### **Bossa Nova**

Latin/Brazilian fare in the heart of WeHo West Hollywood - 685 N Robertson Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA

#### Cafe La Boheme

Romantic ambience
West Hollywood - 8400 Santa Monica Blvd. , Los Angeles, CA
Tel: + (1-323) 848 2360

#### **Basix Cafe**

Perfect for people watching
West Hollywood - 8333 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA
Tel: + (1-323) 848 2460

## **El Conquistador**

Traditional Mexican cuisine for an artsy clientele Silverlake - 3701 W Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, CA

#### **Saint Felix**

Tapas in the heart of the gay hood West Hollywood - 8945 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA

#### Cafe d' Etoile

French food in the gay hood West Hollywood - 8941 1/2 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA

## **Yogurt Stop**

Your favorite fruits
West Hollywood - 8803 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA





### Hugos

Healthy food to the stars
West Hollywood - 8401 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA
Tel: + (1-323) 654 3993

### Millions Of Milkshakes

Celebrity malt
West Hollywood - 8910 Santa Monica Blvd. , West Hollywood, CA

#### Pizzeria Mozza

Mario Batali's L.A. hotspotHollywood - 641 N Highland Ave., Los Angeles, CA

### **Maggianos Little Italy**

Family style Italian
Miracle Mile/Wilshire Corridor - 189 The Grove Dr., Los Angeles, CA



## **GAY & LESBIAN NIGHT CLUBS**

## Full Frontal Disco (@ Akbar)

Monthly Saturday dance partyfrom the man who brings you the weekly Big Fat Dick night at Fubar.

4356 West Sunset Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90029

Downtown

http://www.akbarsilverlake.com

### Sabor Latino (@ Hollywood Studio Bar & Grill)

## Monthly latino party

The crowds come out to see the show at Sabor Latino, and end up dancing into the night. With world class drag and a great mixed crowd, Sabor Latino is a distinctly Los Angeles happening.
6122 Sunset Blvd. (Gower)
Hollywood, CA 90028
Hollywood





# (323) 466-9917 http://www.rwproductions.8m.com

#### **Reflex Afterhours**

Dance LATE!

Reflex Afterhours parties typically begin at last call. Check up on their sites to find out more about their adventures that keep you going till the morning light! Usually held at the Ultra Suede/Factory location.

661 N Robertson Blvd West Hollywood, CA 90069 West Hollywood http://www.evenstarpresents.com



### **GAY FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOODS**

West Hollywood:

The small but bustling city of West Hollywood, which is completely encircled by Los Angeles, is the region's gay mecca. A sizable number of its nearly 40,000 residents are gay, and the city contains the greatest concentration of gay-oriented or gay-popular hotels, restaurants, shops, and bars in metro L.A. It's also the site of some of the area's largest GLBT events, such as Gay Pride, OutFest, and the Halloween Carnaval. For gay visitors to LA, West Hollywood is a must-see, and also a good base for exploring the region.

#### Downtown:

L.A.'s largely corporate downtown has been undergoing a renaissance in recent years, but it's still mostly a place to visit during the week. It's home to some leading musuems, a slew of fine restaurants, and some of the city's more prominent ethnic neighborhoods, including Little Tokyo, Chinatown, and the bustling Olvera Street Latin community.

### Hollywood:

Once synonymous with glamour, Hollywood became quite dowdy in the late 20th century but, like downtown, has also become quite trendy in areas of late. To the northeast above Beachwood Canyon on the lower slopes of Mount Lee is the immense HOLLYWOOD sign, whose 50-foot letters have graced the horizon for more than 80 years. You can't actually drive up and visit it, but you can tour a number of museums and sights - some tacky, others engaging - along Hollywood Boulevard, from the Hollywood Wax Museum to the beloved Walk of Fame.





#### Silver Lake and Los Feliz:

Just east of Hollywood is Los Feliz, one of L.A.'s hidden gems, a tidy, attractive neighborhood of hilly lanes tucked beneath the dense greenery of Griffith Park. To the east lies L.A.'s second most gay-identified neighborhood after West Hollywood, the quirky and artsy Silver Lake district, where many gays and lesbians reside. You'll find a number of cool bars, restaurants, and shops in Los Feliz and Silver Lake.

## **Beverly Hills and Westwood:**

Here's your chance to buy a map of the stars' homes and putter around looking for the abode of Shirley Jones, Elke Sommer, or Dick Van Patten. Yes, more celebrities - plus quite a few hasbeens - live in Beverly Hills, Brentwood, and Bel Air than anywhere else on the planet. South of Santa Monica Boulevard toward Wilshire Boulevard are the unbelievably chichi shops along Rodeo Drive.

#### Santa Monica and Venice:

These beach communities to the west are loaded with great shopping, several hip hotels, and plenty of great restaurants - not to mention outstanding beaches.

# **ENJOY YOUR STAY IN LOS ANGELES**

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