

5 Great Places to Eat and Drink in Tofino Now

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A whole lot of delicious is happening in Tofino, where the rainforest meets the ocean. Why? Tofino has an unusually high density of talented chefs, sommeliers and bartenders, who settle here for the coastal charm, and usually, the surfing. Everything on your plate is hyper fresh, as in wiggling in the ocean earlier that day.

We all know about the usual suspects serving good food in Tofino. [The Pointe](#), [Tacofino](#), and [Shelter](#) come to mind. It's time to pay attention to the new and/or lesser-known crop stand-out Tofino restaurants, breweries, and cafes.

You know, the places that make people get on a ferry and drive for hours. And the spots where the locals grab a coffee and breakfast before riding the waves.

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Wolf in the Fog



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Upstairs, in a softly glowing reclaimed wood room with giant sunburst built from surf boards, the team at Wolf in the Fog achieves that rare combination of laid-back and extraordinary. You can wear a flannel shirt while you eat one of the most memorable meals of your life.

Chef Nick Nutting, formerly of the Pointe at Wickaninnish Inn, uses complex methods to make the fruits of Tofino's ocean and forest sing deceptively simple, beautiful songs. Smoked oysters wrapped in shoe string potatoes. Charred humboldt squid with Vietnamese slaw. Spot prawns with heirloom tomato and orange. Talk to bar manager Hailey about your cocktail, wine guy Jorge about a meal pairing, and pastry chef Joel about why you should save room for dessert.