Coffee Shops of Vancouver

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What makes a good coffee shop?

- Good atmosphere
- Good food
- Entertainment/live music
- Friendly staff

- And of course . . .
What makes a good coffee shop?

COFFEE!
The Chains

- Bean Around the World Coffees
- Starbucks Coffee
- Blenz Coffee
- Tim Hortons®
Tim Hortons

- Canada’s classic coffee shop
- Also known for their donuts, and ‘TimBits’
- Most common coffee: the Double-Double
Bean Around the World

- One on campus, just down main mall from the CS building
- Some of the better food you can get nearby, but very expensive
Blenz Coffee

- B.C.’s largest franchised coffee shop chain
- The one in the village offers a free size upgrade for students
- Good mochas
Starbucks

- It’s Starbucks, need I say more?
Coffee Shops on Campus

- **Bean Around the World**
  - Main Mall and Thunderbird
  - Often crowded, but good food and decent coffee

- **The Original Beanery**
  - In Fairview
  - Open late, good place to study. If you don’t need internet . . .
  - Has a pool table
Coffee Shops on Campus

- **The Boulevard**
  - Near the smaller bus loop (14, 4, 9)

- **Blue Chip Cookies**
  - In the Sub
  - Fresh-baked cookies
  - Can have looong lines

- **Tim Hortons**
  - In Forestry building
  - Good for getting last minute treats for events (orientation)
Cuppa Joy

● Great place to study
  ○ Open late
  ○ Decent internet
  ○ Two stories, lots of room

● Conveniently located at 4th and Alma

● Live music
  ○ Monday nights, possibly others

● Meh coffee
  ○ $1 refills
Grounds for Coffee

● Best cinnamon rolls in Vancouver
  ○ Cinnamon roll provider for pretty much every other coffee shop around

● Meh coffee
  ○ $1 refills

● Located at
  Broadway and Alma
What Makes a Good Coffee?

● **Beans**
  ○ Origin
  ○ Roast
  ○ Grind

● **Brewing Method**
  ○ Most coffee shops use drip machines for convenience
  ○ The best shops brew to order
    ■ Pour-over, french press, siphon, clever . . .
Brewing Methods
49th Parallel

- Two Locations
  - Main and 13th
  - 4th and Yew

- Very crowded at peak hours
  - Lots of room, good for studying if you can get a spot

- Good coffee
  - Roasts their own beans

- Location on Main also serves Lucky’s donuts
Elysian Coffee

- Broadway and Ash
- Uses the Clover coffee brewer

Recommended Coffee: Adado
Revolver

- Located in Gastown (Cambie and Hastings)

- Coffee samplers
  - 3 different beans, 1 brewing method
  - 1 type of bean, 3 brewing methods
    - Aeropress
    - French press
    - Clever

- Bad espresso
  - Maybe just a one-time thing?

- Very little sitting room
  - Not good for studying
Roasters of Vancouver

- **Matchstick Coffee**
  - Also serves coffee
  - Fraser and 15th

- **Bows & Arrows**
  - Located in Victoria

- **Origins Coffee**
  - Darker, more full bodied
  - Good for espresso
  - Located on the Granville Island
Momento

- Located at 4th and Macdonald
  - Second location coming soon

- My favorite coffee shop in Vancouver
  - Amazing coffee, very knowledgable
  - Good place to study, giant table in the back
  - Very friendly staff
  - Good food
    - Fresh baked from local stores
Honorable Mention

- **Innocent Coffee**
  - 4th and Granville

- **Kafka’s Coffee & Tea**
  - Main and Broadway
  - Only one outlet in the whole coffee shop!

- **Calhoun’s Coffee**
  - In Kitsilano
  - Open 24/7

- **Thomas Haas**
  - In Kitsilano
  - Good desserts, never tried the coffee
Summary: Best for . . .

- Studying: Cuppa Joy, The Beanery, Momento, Calhoun’s (?)

- Ambiance: Cuppa Joy

- Food: Grounds for Coffee, Momento, 49th Parallel, Thomas Haas

- Coffee: Momento, Elysian, Revolver