

# EL CAPITAN HOTEL



## LOCAL VIBE INCLUDED

Merced, known as the Gateway to Yosemite, certainly does not disappoint as a destination in its own right. From its art deco architecture, many restaurants, bars and theaters, Main Street Merced offers a vibrant taste of Central California. Visitors to Downtown Merced are treated to ethnically diverse and locally sourced cuisine like they have never tasted before.

## FOOD & DRINK

### Best cup of coffee:

Native Son  
609 W Main St.  
(209) 383-1234

### Best local dish:

Rainbird Restaurant -  
Artisan Bread  
609 W Main St.  
(209) 446-4026

### Best sweet treat:

The Chocolate Dipper  
319 W Main St.  
(209) 626-5650

### Best bar or lounge:

The Partisan  
432 W Main St.  
(209) 354-4851



## HEALTH & FITNESS

### Best running route:

Bear Creek Trail  
Park in the Bear Creek Galleria  
2844 G St.

### Best gym:

El Capitan Hotel Gym  
609 W Main St.  
(209) 383-1234

### Best spa:

UN.RAVEL  
1804 Canal St.  
(209) 201-8988

### Best yoga studio:

Rising Rooted  
79 W Alexander Ave.  
risingrootedyoga.com



## MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

### Best local event:

Merced Theatre  
301 W Main St.  
(209) 381-0500

### Best art gallery:

Merced Multicultural Arts Center  
645 W Main St.  
(209) 388-1090

### Best music venue:

The Mainzer  
655 W Main St.  
(209) 446-4001

### Best movie theater:

Regal Hollywood - Merced  
403 W Main St.  
(844) 462-7342

## PETS

### Best dog park:

Merced Dog Park  
3554 R St.

### Best outdoor seating:

EC  
609 W Main St.  
(209) 383-1234

### Best pet-friendly zone:

Downtown Merced  
Main St. (MLK to N Sts.)

## PHOTO OPS



## BOUTIQUE / LOCAL GEM

### Best clothing boutique:

LunaStar  
1719 N Street  
(209) 325-4957

### Best home goods:

Modern Living  
1733 Canal St.  
(209) 777-9566

### Best bookstore:

Second Time Around  
Used Books  
524 W Main St.  
(209) 723-9521

### Best local purveyor:

Hi-Fi Wine  
629 W Main St.  
hi-fiwine.com

### Best record store:

Tigers & Daggers Records  
438 W Main St.  
@tigersanddaggers

## NEIGHBORHOOD AMBASSADOR TIP

Looking for Mexican food that tastes like your favorite abuelita made it? Visit Marie's Mexican Kitchen. A local favorite for generations, Marie's has all the hallmarks of a vintage Mexican diner. 259 W Main St. mariesmk.com