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SEASON'S GREETINGS



# THE NICE LIST

*Refreshing sips and shops to make the season merry and bright*  
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BEST COAST BEVERAGES

## FIZZ THE SEASON

Crack open a can of **Best Coast Beverages**, a sun-kissed salute to a California craft. The effervescent brand is pushing the envelope on the rules of wine—and we’re along for the ride. “I wanted to change the narrative that if something is in a can, it must be crappy,” says founder Caroline Juen, who partners with local winemaking luminary Sonja Magdevski on her Santa Ynez harvests. As seasoned tastemaker of lifestyle blog Love & Loathing LA and a NorCal native, Caroline fuses her appreciation for the premium quality of Napa grapes and the adventurous spirit of central coast oenology. Savor fizzy white, skin contact, red, and rosé varieties, translating transient bubbles into a permanent cause for celebration. Best Coast’s effortlessness doesn’t overthink wine, blending traditional sipping splendor with a sparkling, sustainable twist that’s anything but anticlimactic.

## IN A MALIBU MOOD

Invigorate your holiday shopping with the elevated classics and cool coastal collectives unique to **Malibu Country Mart**. The expertly curated oceanside center invites all to shop, dine, and unwind al fresco, with upscale women’s boutiques like Andie Swim, ba&sh, and Madison, and refined menswear from John Varvatos and Vince. Hone your holiday fitness goals with sleek activewear from Vuori, gift contemporary home goods from Malibu Colony Co. and CB2, and reframe your look with a new pair of Oliver Peoples. And yes, replenishments are aplenty: opt for an afternoon caffeine boost at LA coffee cornerstone Alfred, swap your go-to aperitif for a cleansing SunLife smoothie, and indulge in a dinnertime taste of not-so-distant home at Lucky’s Steakhouse.

MALIBU COUNTRY MART



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## WORTH THE DRIVE

Seasonal luxury savings with a Ventura Highway venture? Hop in. **Camarillo Premium Outlets** offers designer brands unavailable in town—namely Armani, Bally, Jimmy Choo, and Versace—at unheard-of discounts, mapping out a holiday haul down the coast. From the softest loungewear at Barefoot Dreams, to quality luggage at Tumi, to cocktail dresses at Ted Baker, it’s easy to spend the day perusing the 160 shops while checking everyone off your list...including yourself.

THE WEBSTER AT ROSEWOOD MIRAMAR BEACH



## SLOW BURN

- 2 oz **Ghia**
- 8 oz water
- 1 tsp honey
- 1 tsp coriander and/or fennel seeds, whole
- Fresh ginger, peeled and sliced

Combine water and fresh ginger slices with coriander and/or fennel seeds in a saucepan over low heat and stir. Bring to a simmer and let steep for one hour, then strain. Add a lug of Ghia and honey to taste. Drink from a mug while it’s warm.

## THE HOLIDAZE

- 1.5 oz **Ghia**
- 1 oz pear juice
- 2 oz sparkling or flat water
- 1 lemon slice
- A dusting of cinnamon

Mix 1.5 oz Ghia and 1 oz pear juice, stir. Add 2 oz splash of sparkling or flat water. Serve in low ball glass on the rocks, garnish with a fresh lemon slice and dusting of cinnamon.

GHIA



## RETAIL REFUGE

**Rosewood Miramar Beach** is Montecito’s annex for exclusive, elegant retail. Its crème de la crème selection of permanent boutiques and pop-ups warrants a day trip of its own. Revel in Laykin et Cie’s precious jewel collection, wander about Gwyneth Paltrow’s curated wellness and resort wear at goop, take a breather at crisp, linen-lined James Perse, and emulate epicurean with **The Webster**’s seasonal designer displays. If Michelin stars (for which Caruso’s has something to show) recognized fashion on top of food, this highly styled resort would be two-for-two.