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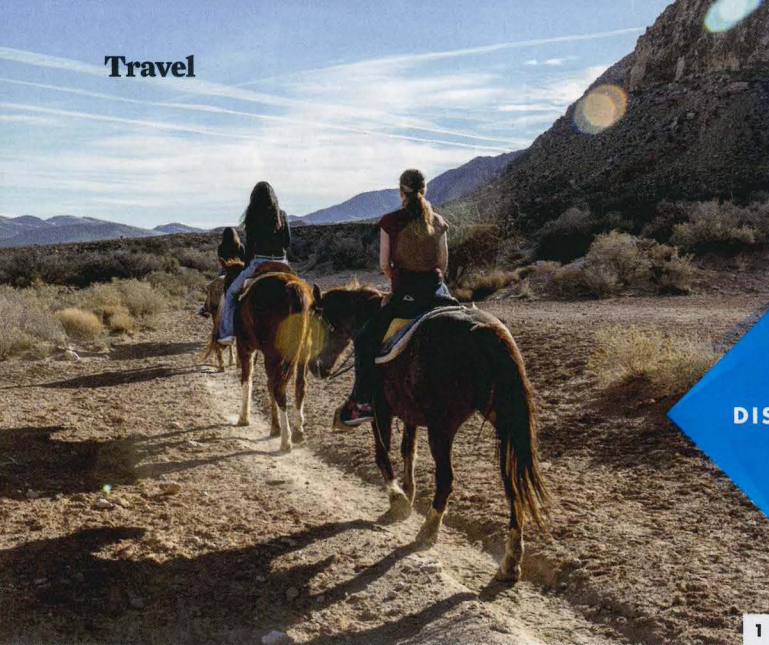
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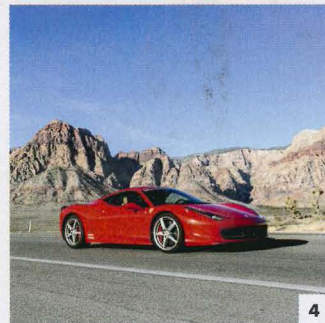
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DISCOVER

1. Saddle up for scenery at Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area. 2. Garden of native delights: Las Vegas Springs Preserve. 3. Fried Ipswich clams and calamari bring a taste of New England to Honey Salt. 4. World Class Driving: you, a Ferrari, and the open road. 5. Designer salt and pepper shakers at River North.



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A PERFECT DAY IN  
**VEGAS' WEST SIDE**

Tucked between the flashy Strip and the rugged mountains, a serene Las Vegas neighborhood is generating new excitement. *By Andrea Bennett*

**The juiciest steaks in town**

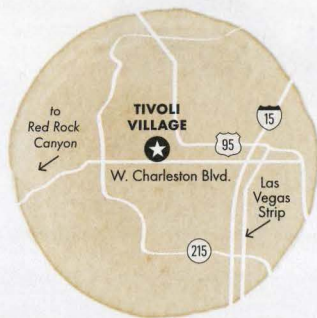
In a city famous for glitz, Las Vegas' West Side is known for being tastefully nongaudy. But now the area—centered on the planned community of Summerlin—is getting some

serious Vegas energy, much of it concentrated in the sprawling dining and shopping complex of Tivoli Village. Since opening in 2011, Tivoli has welcomed chefs Angelo Sosa, Bradley Ogden, and Sam Marvin. The last launched a Vegas rarity—

a steakhouse that locals love. At Marvin's **Echo & Rig Butcher and Steakhouse**, beefy choices include the bavette cut and the 2-inch-thick Spencer steak. Nearby, Tivoli's **Market LV** features 15 locally owned shops. Retro **B Sweet Candy**

**Boutique** stocks Squirrel Nut Zippers, artsy **River North** sells chain chandeliers, and cultish **Annie Creamcheese** peddles vintage hats and handbags. *Echo & Rig: \$\$\$, 440 S. Rampart Blvd.; echoandrig.com. The Market LV: 420 S. Rampart;*





**GETTING HERE**

Take I-15 north to State 95 west to get to Summerlin and the West Side of Las Vegas.

tivolivillagelv.com. B Sweet: bsweetlv.com. River North: rivernorthlv.com. Annie Cream-cheese: anniecreamcheese.com.

**Power dining**

Opened by renowned restaurateur Elizabeth Blau and her husband, chef Kim Canteenwalla, industrial-glam **Honey Salt** draws Vegas power players. While the menu highlights elevated fare, like an heirloom tomato salad with burrata, balsamic vinegar, and bittersweet chocolate shavings, homey touches abound. The chef cooks the curry chicken using his mother's recipe and bakes the apple pie in a brown bag. \$\$\$; 1031 S. Rampart; honeysalt.com.

**Views to thrill**

Five miles west, the road from Summerlin climbs into the **Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area**. Each year, 1 million people visit to hike the trails and marvel at the

Technicolor views of the Red Rock Escarpment and Spring Mountains. **Red Rock Adventures** offers a gentler way into the wilderness, whisking travelers straight from the splashy lobby of Red Rock Resort into the mountains for outdoor excursions. Cap off the journey at the **Spa at Red Rock**, where you can work out kinks with a deep-tissue massage. *Conservation Area: \$7/vehicle; blm.gov/nv. Adventures (from \$100) and spa (from \$130): 11011 W. Charleston Blvd.; redrock.sclv.com.*

**Desert dream drive**

For those who prefer to enjoy the scenery at higher speeds—say, from behind the wheel of a brand-new muscle car—**World Class Driving** is just the ticket. Drivers can take a tutorial in the Dream Garage near the Strip, then hop into a Corvette Z06 or Shelby GI500, which goes from 0 to 60 in a cool four seconds. The group then steers sports cars in convoy through the red rock canyons, getting tips via radio from instructors in lead and follow cars. *From \$299; 4055 Dean Martin Dr.; worldclassdriving.com.*

**A Vegas oasis**

A quick drive north on Valley View leads to **Las Vegas Springs Preserve**. The 180-acre park boasts botanical gardens, interactive science exhibits, and a living desert full of



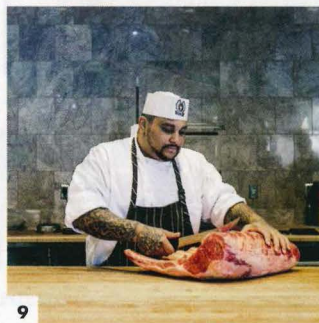
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**6. Tivoli Village: boutique shopping and gourmet eats.**  
**7. Tasty treats beckon at B Sweet Candy Boutique.**  
**8. Not your average après-hike: the Red Rock Resort lobby bar.**  
**9. A butcher at work at Echo & Rig.**

native wildlife. Fondly deemed Vegas' Central Park, the area was saved from development when its archaeological significance came to light: Nomadic Native Americans lived here as early as 12,000 years ago. Today, it's the site of the **Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas**, an ode to all things Vegas, from a 43-foot-long ichthyosaur

skeleton reproduction to a \$25,000 gambling chip from the Dunes Casino. Check out DesertSol, a prizewinning sustainable house that was conceived by UNLV students and faculty. *Preserve: From \$9.95; 333 S. Valley View Blvd.; springspreserve.org. Museum: 309 S. Valley View; museums.nevadaculture.org.* ▽

**THE LOCAL LOWDOWN**

*"When people move to Vegas, they want this feeling of community—the mom-and-pop shops like they're used to. Summerlin has that."*

—ARLENE BORDINHAO, B SWEET CANDY BOUTIQUE