

BEST OF EUGENE

BEST PIZZA

1. **Mezza Luna** 933 Pearl St. 541-684-8900; 2776 Shadow View Dr. 541-743-2999; 115 S. 5th St. Spfd. mezzalunapizzeria.com.
2. **Sizzle Pie** 910 Willamette St. 541-683-7437. Sizzlepie.com.
3. **Pegasus Pizza** 2864 Willamette St. 541-344-9931; 790 E. 14th Ave. 541-344-4471; 4 Oakway Center. 541-344-0844. pegasuspizza.net.

It's easy to see why **Mezza Luna**, with **Sizzle Pie** hot on its heels, is a fan-favorite pizza joint. Both offer a variety of gourmet pizza by the slice at a fair price. And they up the fun when naming their creations, like the Boba Feta at Mezza Luna or the White Walker at Sizzle Pie. First-place winner Mezza Luna's restaurant environment is very "Eugene," with chill music and tons of natural lighting, perfect for date night. Second-place Sizzle Pie's environment is grungy, often with metal or punk music playing and the motto "death to false pizza" written on their boxes. That might work for date night, too. — *Jordan Rich*

BEST WINERY

1. **Sweet Cheeks Winery** 27007 Briggs Hill Rd. 541-349-9463; 248 E. 5th St. Suite 25. sweetcheekswinery.com.
2. **King Estate Winery** 80854 Territorial Hwy. 541-942-9874. kingestate.com.
3. **Sarver Winery** 25600 Mayola Ln. 541-935-2979. sarverwinery.com.

The Willamette Valley is wine country, and **Sweet Cheeks** offers plenty for sommeliers and novices alike. You can't believe everything you read on the internet, but a slew of 4- and 5-star reviews makes a case for why Sweet Cheeks is a repeat winner for Best Winery in Eugene. The setting — both location and atmosphere — sets Sweet Cheeks apart from the rest of the hotly contested pack. — *Max Thornberry*

BEST BAR

1. **The Wayward Lamb** 150 W. Broadway. 541-654-5106. thewaywardlamb.com.
2. **Sam Bond's** 407 Blair Blvd. 541-431-6601. sambonds.com.
3. **Izakaya Meiji** 345 Van Buren St. 541-505-8804. izakayameiji.com.

After more than two years as Eugene's go-to LGBTQIA bar, **The Wayward Lamb** shows no sign of slowing down. Not only considered the place to be in the queer community, The Wayward Lamb is the spot for anyone looking to let loose and shake down in a welcoming scene. There's not much the gathering place doesn't offer. A front bar supplies space to sip tasty drinks and to savor snacks, salads and sandwiches over good conversation. A backroom gives patrons a spot to catch drag cabaret, rock out in the lip sync contest as well as room to simply shake their tail feathers. On Wednesday, there's even trivia night to test your inner nerd.

University of Oregon journalism student Derek Maiolo (perhaps harkening to the most interesting man in the world) says that, "I don't go to the bar very often, but when I do, I go to The Wayward Lamb." Hear, hear, Derek. We'll meetcha' there. — *Matthew Denis*

BEST PLACE TO HANG OUT

1. **HOME**
2. **beergarden.** 777 W 6th Ave 541-505-9432. beergardenme.com.
3. **Hi-Fi Lounge/Music Hall** 44 E. 7th Ave. 541-636-3292. hifimusicall.com.



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BEST NEW RESTAURANT

1. **Poke Stop** 1044 Willamette St. 541-686-3504. eatpokestop.com.
2. (Tie) **Kun Fusion** 1239 Alder St. 541-232-9733. kunfusion.com.
2. (Tie) **Novo Latin Table** 105 Oakway Center. 541-654-8165. novolatintable.com.
3. **Blu Mist** 1400 Valley River Drive,



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BEST DISTILLERY

1. **Heritage Distillery** 110 Madison St. 541-357-4431. heritagedistilling.com.
2. **Thinking Tree Spirits** 88 Jackson St. 541-357-2211.
3. **Swallowtail Spirits** 5250 Highbanks Rd., Suite 300, Spfd. 458-210-2907. swallowtailsprits.com.