

## Restaurants

Costa Rica has great coffee and you can find it at *Café Café* on the way into Tamarindo. *Café Café* is on the left side of the road about 5 minutes before entering the downtown area. They offer wifi and the owner Kyle is very friendly.

Check out *Olgas*, *Breakfast Grinds* and the *French Bakery* for breakfast and pastries.

Try *Nogui's* for great beach bar, breakfast, happy hour, everything.... Local spot for lunch and great seafood is *Pedros*.

For Happy Hour go to *Witches Rock Surf Camp* for low priced drinks and appetizers. They also serve sushi starting at 4pm and are located a couple yards off of the beach. I also like the breakfast here and you can watch people surf while you eat.

There are many great restaurants including *Lapalapa*(on the beach dining), *Nibbana*, *Dragonfly*, *Pachanga*, *Kahiki*, *Lazy Wave*, *Wok and Roll*, *Laguna Del Cocodrillo*...the list goes on and on.

For something different take a water taxi to *Hotel Bula Bula* in nearby Playa Grande and eat at *The Great Waltinis*. The water taxi should be free if you make reservations for the restaurant ahead of time.

One spot you have to go to is *Lola's* at Playa Avellanas. *Lola's* is the ultimate beach bar with good food and drinks in the middle of nowhere with an awesome surf break and undeveloped beach. Just don't go on Mondays as they are closed. You can spend all day at this beach as they have facilities at the restaurant. Take a taxi or rent a car to get to Playa Avellanas – it takes about ½ an hour depending on the road conditions. If you take a taxi, plan a time to have him return to pick you up and pay half fare on drop off and half fare on pickup. If you drive, don't leave stuff in your rental car. You can also get there by ATV with a guide. Bring your surfboards, this spot is awesome to surf at but has a stronger rip than Tamarindo beach.

Another little town with a more local flavor is Brasillito located about 15 minutes from Tamarindo. *The Happy Snapper* is a fun restaurant and there are cheap local places to eat close to the beach as well.

Also, for upscale food check out the options in Playa Langosta, a few minutes walk from downtown Tamarindo.