


A Guide to the Best Restaurants in America

**WHERE  
THE  
LOCALS  
EAT™**



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**LOS ANGELES**

**THE 100 BEST RESTAURANTS**

***PLUS:***

**Hundreds of Can't-Miss Restaurants  
in Top Cities Across America**

## **Orris** ~ *Best Asian Fusion*

With several decades of cooking in well-known Los Angeles kitchens under his belt, Hideo Yamashiro opened Orris in 2004, bringing his characteristic ingredient-perfectionism to a casual, pub-like atmosphere. The native Japanese chef earned his reputation as supreme sultan of Angeleno-Asian cuisine with his mastery of catfish, but his vibrant and casual Sawtelle spot steers clear from past certainties for a more daring menu of cosmopolitan scale. Rooted in Franco-Japanese tradition with global ambitions, dishes show no borders, as one late winter menu proves with choices as varied as sashimi salad with passion fruit dressing, shrimp mousse ravioli with shiitake mushroom sauce, and lamb loin carpaccio. The idea is to share several small plates, but many find it difficult to hand over the last plump scallop in garlic butter sauce. The final sip of perfectly paired sake or wine may prove the perfect ending. Beer, wine and sake available. Serving dinner Tue–Sun. Closed Mon. 2006 Sawtelle Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90025. (310) 268-2212. [www.orrisrestaurant.com](http://www.orrisrestaurant.com). Go to: [www.wtle.com/24059](http://www.wtle.com/24059). ***Asian Fusion, Contemporary, Japanese/Sushi, Small Plates. \$\$.***