



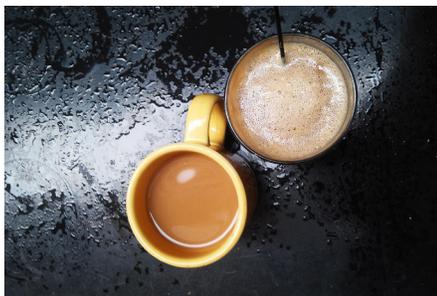
# 5 Unique Spots in Detroit to grab coffee and chill.

What's better than going out on a nice fall evening to your local coffee shop. You sit down to do your lastest homework assignment, surf your Twitter feed, your Facebook page or even fall into a little shopping. The answer is nothing, nothing is really better than having an amazing cup of lusciousness surround by art, plants and good folks in Detroit. On a rainy morning I went along with Christopher CL to his favorite coffee shops in the city to see what really makes these places unique.

Other than coffee Detroit city is known for its amazing culture, arts, and happening music scenes, if you know the right people. The city is attracting old and new independent businesses that continue to flourish bringing a wide variety of ideas and things to people. There is never a dull moment when you are in Detroit, whatever type of vibes you want to be around you will be sure to find.

Many locals including CL have said that they see flourishing happening around them and they are most definitely happy to be apart of making the city amazing again. CL personally feels the energy has always been in Detroit.

“Detroit just needed to redefine its place in the world and make its mark again,” CL says. For a long time the city has felt and faced many hardships but the people never fled for they knew Detroit was a raw gem. When you hear



Bottomline Coffee House serves up a delightful Chai Latte and a Love Child.

about Detroit you may hear of negative things but to the locals the city and vibes are rising.

Places like Bottom Line Coffee House and Avalon Bakery down in the Cass Corridor are examples of some of the coolest spots to grab coffee and a local baked pastry. Bottom Line is known for its unique spot which is underground and its Love Child coffee that perfectly fits its title. When you first walk into the coffee house you notice its snug appeal, very intimate vibe and smooth records playing in the background. It's even quite like a library, everyone is focusing under the dem light and whispering out of respect for the space. Bottom Line Coffee House first opened a few summers ago by owners Al and Pat Harris and their son Kyle. Bottom Line already has loyal coffee lovers that swear by the unique chill spot. You won't find a annoying number of options, the simplicity is what people like CL love the most about the spot.

Avalon Bakery is another place where CL likes to hang out when he needs to work on his music or just to unwind and be around vibes that are elevating. “I like Avalon because of the crazy amount of pastry options,” he says. When CL and I walked into the bakery on Willis and Cass both our eyes widened because we knew we were in for a treat. Behind the glass window was a delicious display of handmade pizzas, muffinss, cookies, brownies and more. The choices were hard to make so we both grabbed something and promised to share with each other. I got the pumpkin muffin and CL got the the carrot cake, both were absolutely amazing to the point I had to get one for the road.

Other places such as Cafe 1923 in Hamtramck explores the chill vibes as well, when we went to this cool little spot right on the outside of the city there was a older gentlemen playing a nice tune on



The Bottomline Coffee House in Midtown Detroit on Third and Forest.

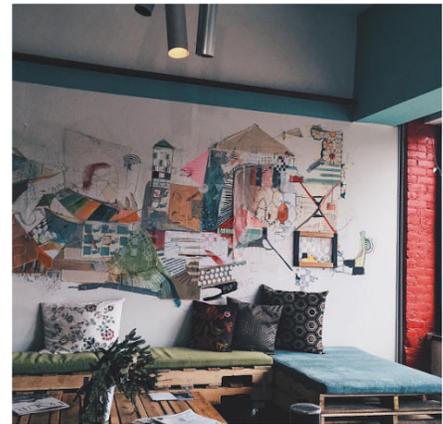
The coffee shop is a nice sized space that expands about three rooms,. CL's favorite part of the spot is the middle room where there are tons of books that line the wall. The can take a book and read it all in one sitting if you choose. Cafe 1923 has been in the small neighborhood for some time and many people travel from their homes to catch the vibes.

Detroit's future is bright and with a cup of coffee it will be even brighter. Check out the shops next time you're in Detroit and tell us what your favorites are.

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Chirstopher Holder sits in the garden of The Bottomline Coffee House S sipping the famous Chai Latte.



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- Recommended drink: Green Smoothie and the Vanilla Cream Cold Press
- 14409 E Jefferson Ave, Detroit, MI 48215
- Mon-Fri 8am-4pm Sat-Sun 9am-4pm

Cafe 1923

- Recommended drink: Cafe Au Lait
- 2287 Holbrook Street, Hamtramck, MI
- Mon-Fri 7 am-9 pm and Weekends 10 am-7pm
- 313-319-8766

Urban Bean Co.

- Recommended drink: Pure Evil Latte
- 200 Grand River Ave Detroit, MI
- Mon-Fri 7am-9pm Sat. 9am-5pm Sun. 10am-3pm
- 313-496-1010

Avalon Bakery

- Recommended drink: Hearth and Soul blind
- Recommended pas-try: Pumpkin muffin
- 422 W. Willis Detroit, MI
- Mon- Sat: 6am - 6pm Sun: 8am - 4pm
- 313.832.0008



Avalon Bakery sits on one of Cass Corridors most bustling streets.



