

# JULIA CHILD'S GUIDE TO SANTA BARBARA COUNTY EXPERIENCE SOME OF JULIA'S FAVORITE LOCAL RESTAURANTS AND DESTINATIONS

#### **MONTECITO**

- $\cdot$  Casa Dorinda
- · Lucky's
- · Montecito Shores
- · Rosewood Miramar Beach
- · San Ysidro Ranch
- · Ganna Walska Lotusland
- · Pane e Vino Trattoria

Julia and her husband Paul had an apartment by the sea at Montecito Shores in the 1980s and she lived full-time in Montecito from 2001 to 2004 at Casa Dorinda (both private residences). She loved walking on Butterfly Beach, wandering the gardens at Ganna Walska's Lotusland (tours are reservation-only) and dining at Lucky's, which she called a "jolly place."

#### **CARPINTERIA & SUMMERLAND**

- · Carpinteria Beach
- $\cdot \, \mathsf{Esau's}$
- · Robitaille's Fine Candies
- · Rose Story Farm
- · The Nugget

Carpinteria is one of the beach towns, along with Montecito and Santa Barbara, where Julia summered as a child. Breakfast at Esau's, and shopping for retro candy at Robitaille's were favorite pastimes, followed by a visit to one of her favorite places on Earth, Rose Story Farm (call ahead to see if open). On the way back towards Santa Barbara, The Nugget in Summerland is a perfect stop for a stiff drink and rustic dinner.

### SANTA BARBARA

- · Old Mission Santa Barbara
- · Riviera Theatre
- · La Super-Rica Taqueria
- · Saturday Farmers Market
- $\cdot$  La Paloma Cafe
- $\cdot$  bouchon
- · Stearns Wharf (Santa Barbara Shellfish Company)
- · Santa Barbara Yacht Club
- · McConnell's Fine Ice Creams
- · Santa Barbara County Courthouse
- · El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park
- $\cdot$  El Encanto
- · Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort
- · Margerum Tasting Room
- $\cdot$  The Lark
- · Santa Barbara Winery

Even in her 80s, the 6-foot-2 French food icon would line up for a traditional taco at La Super-Rica Taqueria.

She regularly strolled the Saturday Farmers Market, grabbed an ice cream from McConnell's and watched a film at the beautiful Riviera Theatre. Travel to the end of Stearns Wharf for shellfish she loved or visit the Old Mission Santa Barbara and the A.C. Postel Memorial Rose Garden where you can smell the yellow-gold "Julia Child" roses, which appropriately have a buttery color.

The Funk Zone didn't exist in Julia's era, but she would have loved the explosion of food and wine choices in this little, urban enclave by the beach. From the early days of the Santa Barbara Winery to The Lark restaurant, Margerum Tasting Room and so many other food, beverage and hotel options, this walkable zone has it all now.



· In-N-Out Burger

· Costco

**GOLETA** 

The French Chef, who introduced America to coq au vin and boeuf bourguignon, admittedly enjoyed fast food. In-N-Out fries and a Costco hot dog were among her regular favorites.

## STA. RITA HILLS & SURROUNDING WINE & FOOD COUNTRY

Alma Rosa Winery & Vineyards
The Hitching Post 2

The Hitching Post

 $\cdot$  Alisal Ranch

Julia loved the drive up either the coastal Highway 101 or over the mountains via Highway 154 to arrive to warmer climate and vineyards as far as the eye can see. One of many celebrities to relax at the western-luxe Alisal Ranch, Julia also spent many a day in the Sta. Rita Hills amongst the grapes and tasting wine with her friends Richard and Thekla Sanford (now a part of Alma Rosa Winery & Vineyards) followed up by dining at the The Hitching Post 2, sipping a broad range of sensational Central Coast wines.



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