



People's Choice Awards WINNERS for 2016

Congratulations to all. Please note that Categories reflect only the top 3 winners except in the case of a TIE, when noted.

SECTION 1 - QUALITY OF LIFE

Best Retirement Home / Casa de Retiro

- 1 Nursing Home Lake Chapala
- 2 La Valentina, Ajijic West
- 3 TIE: Abbeyfield, Ajijic & Ohana Assisted Living, San Juan Cosalá

Best Private School / Escuela Privada

- 1 Loyola, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Instituto International, Libramiento
- 3 Terranova, Ajijic

Best Medical Facility / Servicios y Facilidades

- 1 Maskaras Clinic, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Chapala Med, Chapala
- 3 Hospital Ajijic, Ajijic

Best Emergency Care / Emergencias

- 1 Maskaras Clinic, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Cruz Roja (Red Cross), Ajijic & Chapala
- 3 Community Hospital, Jocotepec

Best Healthcare Plan / Programa de Salud

- 1 Metlife
- 2 Seguro Popular
- 3 Best Doctors

Most valuable web board or online forum

- 1 Beg, Barter, Buy & Sell Chapala (FB)
- 2 TIE: Chapala.com & FocusonMexico.com
- 3 BestofLakeChapala.com

Most valuable News Media

- 1 Mexico News Daily (online & print)
- 2 Guadalajara Reporter (online & print)
- 3 AjijicNews.com (online)

Best Animal Assistance Organization

- 1 Anita's Animals, Joco & Ajijic Tianguis
- 2 Lucky Dog, San Nicolas
- 3 Lakeside Spay & Neuter Ranch

SECTION 2 - DINING / REST

Best Restaurant Overall / En General

- 1 Viva México, San Juan Cosalá
- 2 Ajijic Tango, Ajijic
- 3 Adelita's, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Mexican Food / Comida Mexicana

- 1 Fonda Doña Lola, Ajijic
- 2 Viva México, San Juan Cosalá
- 3 TIE: Chile Verde, Ajijic & La Peña de Santos Rico, Ajijic

Best Steaks / Cortes

- 1 Bruno's Restaurant, Ajijic
- 2 Arileo Steakhouse, West of Ajijic
- 3 Ajijic Tango, Ajijic

Best Seafood / Mariscos

- 1 Rincón del Mar, Ixtlahuacán dlm
- 2 Cozumel, Chapala
- 3 Tabarka, Ajijic

Best Pizza

- 1 Perry's Ajijic Pizza, Ajijic
- 2 Dominos Pizza, La Floresta Ajijic

- 3 TIE: Focaccia, San Nicolas & Victor's Pizza, Ixtlahuacan dlm

Best Hamburger / Hamburguesa

- 1 Tripp's Burgers, Centro Laguna Sn Antonio
- 2 Iron Horse Bar & Grill, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Just Chillin', Ajijic

Best International Cuisine / Cocina Internacional

- 1 Go Bistro, Ajijic
- 2 El Jardín de Ninette, Ajijic
- 3 Cocinart, Ajijic

Best Italian Restaurant / Italiano

- 1 La Taverna del Quattro Mori, San Antonio
- 2 Alex's Pasta Bar, Ajijic
- 3 Pranzo Bistro, La Floresta Ajijic

Best Asian/Oriental Food / Comida China

- 1 Min Wah, Ajijic
- 2 TIE: Simply Thai, Ajijic & Tepatate Pian Thai, Ajijic
- 3 Ricki's, Ajijic

Best Misc. Ethnic / Étnico

- 1 Opa (Mediterranean) Bistro, Ajijic
- 2 Cocinart (varied), Ajijic
- 2 Gossip's (Cajun), Ajijic

Best Barbecue / Parrilladas

- 1 Bruno's, Ajijic
- 2 Tony's, San Antonio Tlay.
- 3 Cenizas del Sol/Pollo Vini, Ixtlahuacan dlm

Best Breakfast or Brunch

- 1 David's Restaurant, Ajijic
- 2 Salvador's, Ajijic
- 3 Sunrise Cafe, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Vegetarian Dishes / Vegetariano

- 1 Simply Thai, Ajijic
- 2 Huerto Cafe, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Ajijic Tango, Ajijic

Best Home Delivery Service

- 1 TIE: Dominos Pizza, La Floresta Ajijic & Hot Rod Burrito, Plaza Bugambillas, Ajijic
- 2 TIE: Il Giardino, Chapala & Valenciana Pizza, Chapala & Ajijic
- 3 Pollito Deli 8, Chapala

Best Street Food

- 1 Rico Taco, Ajijic Plaza
- 2 Carnitas & Tacos Lupe, Weekly Tianguis
- 3 Pollos El Amigo Don David (aka Dusty Chicken), San Antonio Tlay.

Best Baguette Sandwiches

- 1 Pranzo Bistro, La Floresta Ajijic
- 2 Panadería Scandinavia, Centro Laguna, Libramiento San Antonio
- 3 TIE: El Merendero, Ajijic & Panino's, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Buffalo / Hot Wings

- 1 Wing's Army, Centro Laguna, Libramiento
- 2 Vancouver Wings, Libramiento San Antonio
- 3 Dominoes Pizza, La Floresta Ajijic

Best Coffee

- 1 Salvador's, Ajijic
- 2 Rochata's Pastry Shop, Chapala
- 3 Cafe Grano, Ajijic

Most Romantic Atmosphere

- 1 Chac-Lan, San Juan Cosalá
- 2 TIE: Armando's, Ajijic & La Nueva Posada, Ajijic
- 3 Yves Restaurant, Ajijic

Best Desserts

- 1 Mel's Steakhouse, Ajijic
- 2 Manix Restaurant, Ajijic
- 3 Cydney's Sanwich Shop, Ajijic

Best Buffet

- 1 Min Wah, Ajijic
- 2 Marco's "Rey Taco," Chapala
- 3 Mel's Steakhouse, Ajijic

Best Economical Restaurant

- 1 Taquería Jessica, Ajijic & San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 José's Place, Chapala
- 3 Hot Rod Burrito, Plaza Bugambillas Ajijic

Best Bar Overall

- 1 El Barco, Ajijic
- 2 Iron Horse Bar & Grill, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Mama's Bar, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Mixed Drinks / Cocktails

- 1 El Barco, Ajijic
- 2 Los Cinco Potrillos, Ixtlahuacan dlm
- 3 Just Chillin', Ajijic

Best Wine or Beer Selection

- 1 Adelita's, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Wing's Army, Centro Laguna Libramiento
- 3 Olé Olá, Ajijic

SECTION 3 - LEISURE

Best Fitness Center / Gimnasio

- 1 TIE: Health House Fitness Center, Chapala & Zona Fitness, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Mundo Acuática, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Fit for Life, Mirasol

Best Diversion Overall / Diversión

- 1 Lakeside Little Theatre (seasonal)
- 2 Foliatti Casino, Centro Laguna San Antonio
- 3 Balneario San Juan Cosalá

Best Family Activity / Actividad de la Familia

- 1 Balneario San Juan Cosalá
- 2 Tobolandia Water Park, Ajijic
- 3 MovieSpace Cinemas, Centro Laguna

Best TV Service / Servicio de Televisión

- 1 Megacable
- 2 SKY
- 3 Shaw Direct

Best Place to Volunteer

- 1 Lake Chapala Society, Ajijic
- 2 Cruz Roja (Red Cross), Ajijic & Chapala
- 3 Lucky Dog Rescue, San Nicolas

Best Live Entertainment

- 1 TIE: Adelita's San Antonio Tlay. & Iron Horse Bar & Grill, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 El Barco, Ajijic
- 3 Wing's Army, Centro Laguna, Libramiento

SECTION 4 - SHOPPING AROUND

Best Supermarket / Supermercado

- 1 Walmart, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Super Lake, San Antonio Tlay.
- 3 El Torito, Plaza Bugambillas, Ajijic

Best Clothing Boutique (New or Used)

- 1 Mia's Boutique, Ajijic
- 2 Terry's Tianguis, Chapala
- 3 Cugini's Boutique, Ajijic

Best Bazaar, Thrift Shop or Consignment / Bazar

- 1 Mia's Boutique, Ajijic
- 2 Beg Barter Buy & Sell - Chapala (FB)
- 3 Barbara's Bazaar, Ajijic

Best Gallery-Gift Shop / Galería y Regalos

- 1 Creative Heart (El Corazón Creativo), Ajijic
- 2 Diane Pearl Colecciones, Ajijic
- 3 Sedentario, Chapala, Chapala

Best Furniture Source (New or Used) / Muebles

- 1 Nomad, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Beg Barter Buy & Sell - Chapala (FB)
- 3 Arden Muebleria, Riberas del Pilar

Best Meats / Carnicería

- 1 Tony's Carnicería, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Mr. Bull, Ajijic & Chapala
- 3 Carnicería Dona Kary, San Juan Cosala

Best Fish Market / Pescadería

- 1 Walmart, San Antonio
- 2 Pacifico, Ajijic West
- 3 Tabarka, Ajijic

Best Appliance Outlet

- 1 El Tio Sam, Libramiento, Plaza Interlago
- 2 Electro Venta, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 TIE: Coppel, Chapala & ElectroDomésticos, Riberas del Pilar

Best Outlet for Books (New or Used)

- 1 Anita's (Ajijic Wednesday Tianguis)
- 2 Wise Dog Books, Ajijic Plaza
- 3 TIE: American Legion, Chapala & Lake Chapala Society, Ajijic

Best Computer Supplies & Electronics

- 1 Steren, Centro Laguna, Libramiento
- 2 Benno's, Plaza Interlago, Ajijic
- 3 Audio y Video Mendoza, Chapala

Best Hardware, Construction Supplies

- 1 Amutio, Ajijic
- 2 Jara Hardware, Ajijic
- 3 Ferreteria Calzada, Chapala

Best Auto Parts

- 1 Auto Zone, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Refaccionaria Pro One Don Pepe, Chula Vista
- 3 TIE: Orma Autopartes, Riberas del Pilar & Refaccionaria Pro One Don Pepe, Chula Vista

Best Paint Store & Paint Supplies

- 1 Prisa (4 locations)
- 2 Comex, Chapala
- 2 Pinturas Berel, Ajijic West)

Best Pet Supplies Store

- 1 Lakeside Friends of the Animals (formerly Animal Shelter), Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Maskottchen, Plaza Soriana Chapala
- 3 Pet Care, Riberas del Pilar

Best Pharmacy / Farmacia

- 1 Wal-mart, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Benavides, Chapala
- 3 Farmacia Cristina, Ajijic

Best Plants & Landscaping Supplies

- 1 Vivero San Antonio, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Vivero La Paz, Ajijic West
- 3 Flora Exotica, Libramiento, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Sporting Goods

- 1 Martí, Centro Laguna, Libramiento
- 2 Coppel, Chapala
- 2 TIE: Soriana, Chapala & Wal-Mart, San Antonio Tlay.

SECTION 5 - TRAVEL & LODGING

Best Travel / Agencia de Viajes

- 1 Charter Club Tours, Ajijic
- 2 Julie Ray Travel, Ajijic
- 3 Viajes Vikingo, Chapala

Best Tours / Turismo

- 1 Charter Club Tours, Ajijic
- 2 Ajijic Concierge, Luzma Grande
- 3 Noe & Lidia Raygoza Villar

Best Hotel

- 1 La Nueva Posada, Ajijic
- 2 Real de Chapala, Ajijic
- 3 Monte Coxala, Raquet Club, San Juan

Best Bed & Breakfast (B&B)

- 1 Casa Tres Leones, Ajijic
- 2 Ajijic Suites, Ajijic
- 3 Lake Chapala Inn, Chapala

SECTION 6 - SERVICES

Best Hair Salon / Estetica

- 1 Gloriosa, Plaza Interlago Libramiento
- 2 Hair by Sasha, Chapala
- 3 New Look Studio, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Massage / Spa

- 1 Erin Dixon, Four Aspects, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 Respiro Spa, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Total Body Care, Ajijic

Best Legal Service / Servicios Legales

- 1 LCS/Becerra Immigration, Ajijic
- 2 Chapala Legal (Spencer MacMullen), Chapala
- 3 ABC Legal (Azucena Bateman), Ajijic

Best Insurance Provider / Agencia de Seguros

- 1 TioCorp, Mirasol
- 2 Bellon, San Antonio Tlay.
- 3 Parker Insurance, Riberas del Pilar

Best Primary Care Doctor / Doctor

- 1 Dr. Carlos Garcia, Clinica Maskaras
- 2 Dr. Santiago Hernández, Chapala Med
- 3 Dr. Sam Thelin, Chapala

Best Dermatologist

- 1 Dermika Dra. Tania Sanchez, Dra. Monica, Ajijic
- 2 Dr. Raul Chauhtémoc Reyes, Chapala & Ajijic
- 3 Dra. Martha Ballesteros, Integrity Clinic, Interlago

Best Psychologist, Psychiatrist or Counselor

- 1 James Jaramillo Chavez, Clinica Maskaras
- 2 Michele Boudreau, Clinica Maskaras
- 3 Eduardo Santoscoy, Mirasol

Best Cosmetic Surgeon

- 1 Anne Dyer Team, Casita La Montaña, Ajijic
- 2 Alejandro Enriquez de Rivera, Guadalajara
- 3 Dr. Rafael Arenas Quintana, Chapala Med

Best Cardiologist

- 1 Dr. Ramón García García, La Floresta Ajijic
- 2 Dr. Hector A. Briseño García, Ajijic
- 3 Dr. Peralta, Quality Care, Plaza Interlago

Best Ophthalmologist/Optomtrist

- 1 Luz Zepeda, Lake Chapala Society, Ajijic
- 2 Rigoberto Rios, Ajijic
- 3 Maria de Jesús Quintero, Chapala

Best Gynecologist (Ob/Gyn)

- 1 Claudia Martinez, Clinica Maskaras
- 2 TIE: Elodia Noemi Ruvalcaba, Integrity Clinic, Plaza Interlago & Karla Orozco, Ajijic
- 3 Dra. Marcela Medina Castellanos, Quality Care

Best Architect and/or Builder

- 1 Roberto Millan, Ajijic
- 2 Jaime Hernandez, Ajijic
- 3 Steve Warwick Construction, Chapala

Best Bank or Financial Institution

- 1 Actinver, Ajijic
- 2 BBVA Bancomer, Ajijic & Chapala
- 3 TIE: CI Bank, Centro Laguna, Libramiento & Multiva Bank, Ajijic

Best Natural or Alternative Care / Medicina Natural

- 1 Erin Dixon, 4 Aspects Holistic Care, San Ant.
- 2 Georgina Mariscal, Holistic Therapist, Ajijic
- 3 Barbara Roththaler, Massage, San Antonio

Best Diagnostic Lab / Laboratorio Diagnóstico

- 1 Go Lab, Plaza Maskaras, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 ISI Lab (Chopo), Ajijic
- 3 CARE Analysis Lab, Plaza Maskaras, Riberas del Pilar

Best Dentist or Dental Clinic / Dentista

- 1 Candy Ugalde, Centro Laguna, San Antonio
- 2 Alberto "Dr. Don" Olivera, Clinica Maskaras, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Martha Medina, Ajijic

Best Veterinarian or Vet Clinic

- 1 Dr. José "Pepe" Magaña, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Drs. Ladron de Guevara, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 Pet Place, Dr. Berenice Martinez, Interlago

Best Mailing & Shipping Service / Paquetería

- 1 LCS Mail Service (members only), Ajijic
- 2 iShop Mail, San Antonio Tlay.
- 3 Handy Mail, San Antonio Tlay.

Best Real Estate Office / Inmobiliaria

- 1 Century 21 AccessMex, Chula Vista
- 2 Fenix Real Estate, San Antonio Tlay.
- 3 All-in-1 Mexico Real Estate, San Antonio Tlay.

Best House Rental Source/ Alquiler de Casas

- 1 Century 21 AccessMex, Chula Vista
- 2 Coldwell Banker, Ajijic & Chapala
- 3 Roma Property Management, Ajijic

Best Computer Services

- 1 Gadgets Guy / Fix My PC
- 2 Benno Computer Solutions, Plaza Interlago
- 3 Axixic Net, Adrian Ramos, Ajijic

Best Chiropractic/Spinal Manipulation

- 1 Jorge Ulloa, P.T., Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Victor J. Youcha, D.C., Ajijic
- 3 Lowell Stephen Birch, D.C. Plaza Interlago

Best Auto Body & Paint / Laminado y Pintura

- 1 Frats, Chapala
- 2 Monkey's Paint, Riberas del Pilar
- 2 Fernando's, Ajijic West

Best Appliance Repair

- 1 Perez Appliance Repair, Ajijic
- 2 Electroventa, Riberas del Pilar
- 3 TIE: Electrodomesticos Perales, Riberas del Pilar & Tecnicos en Servicio, Chapala

Best Auto Repair / Taller Mecánico

- 1 Beto Hernandez, San Antonio Tlay.
- 2 TIE: Frats, Chapala & Salvador's, Jocotepec
- 3 Auto Repair by Ron Young, Chapala

Best Mani-Pedi Nail Salon

- 1 Gloss Nail Salon, San Antonio Tlay.
- 1 Total Body Care, Ajijic
- 2 Panache, Ajijic