



## NORTH AMERICA'S 50 BEST BARS UNVEILS INAUGURAL LIST OF BARS RANKED 51<sup>ST</sup> TO 100<sup>TH</sup> FOR 2025

*For the very first time, the extended 51-100 list of North America's 50 Best Bars is revealed ahead of the live awards ceremony*

**April 15, 2025** – North America's 50 Best Bars 2025, sponsored by Perrier, celebrates a greater number of bars in even more geographical locations than ever before with the reveal of the extended list of bars ranked between 51<sup>st</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup>. Already a mainstay of The World's 50 Best Bars and Asia's 50 Best Bars lists, the extended ranking makes its debut in North America this year, shining a spotlight on the rich and diverse cocktail cultures across the region in the lead-up to the unveiling of the prestigious 1-50 list on April 29 in Vancouver, Canada.

As with the 1-50 ranking, the extended list is the result of the votes cast by the voting Academy, which is comprised of more than 300 independent cocktail experts, renowned bartenders, educators and drinks writers from across the region.

### The 51-100 List in Numbers

- The 51-100 list includes bars spanning 23 destinations across North America, recognizing even more cities for their diverse cocktail culture
- The US leads the list with 29 bars represented, from cities across the country including **New York, Los Angeles** and **Chicago** as well as **Albuquerque, Boston, Houston, Miami, New Orleans, Phoenix**, and more
- Canada boasts 15 institutions on the list, hailing from **Vancouver, Toronto, Montreal, Calgary** and **Victoria**
- **Mexico City, Oaxaca** and **Playa del Carmen** have a combined total of 5 bars featured

*For the full 51-100 list, please refer to the accompanying graphic or scroll to the bottom of this release.*

North America's 50 Best Bars will be hosted in Canada for the first time since the inception of the awards in 2022, uniting the bar community in Vancouver in honor of the greatest hospitality experiences across the region. Designed to celebrate and recognize outstanding accomplishments of bar teams and individuals, the awards strive to showcase the hard work and innovation of the sector. With the addition





of the extended 51-100 list in this year's awards program, 50 Best aims to highlight an even broader spectrum of North America's most extraordinary drinking destinations.

Emma Sleight, Head of Content for North America's 50 Best Bars, says "We could not be more pleased or proud to celebrate even more incredible bars across North America by introducing the inaugural 51-100 list. This extended ranking not only means we can recognize the hard work and dedication of the hospitality and drinks community, it means we can shine a spotlight on the development of exceptional drinks culture across the region, from Albuquerque and Austin to Victoria and Vancouver. Congratulations to every team whose bar has earned a place on this year's list."

New York is home to nine of the listed bars including **Dante West Village** at No.60, **The Long Island Bar** at No.64, **Bar Snack** at No.85, **Shinji's** at No.90, **The Portrait Bar** at No.93, **Paradise Lost** at No.95 and **Bar Contra** at No.98.

Chicago's cocktail scene is celebrated with three entries on the list including, **Lemon** at No.62, **Queen Mary** at No.63 and **Nine Bar** at No.89.

California is represented by Los Angeles' **Bar Next Door** at No.100 and San Francisco's **Trick Dog** at No.71.

With the growing cocktail scene across North America, bars from additional cities across the US are recognized in the list including Austin, Albuquerque, Boston, Honolulu, Houston and Seattle. This includes hot spots such as Austin's **Nickel City** at No.70, Albuquerque's **Happy Accidents** at No.88, Honolulu's **Bar Leather Apron** at No.73, Houston's **Bandista** at No.59 and Boston's **Equal Measure** at No.81. Bars in Seattle on the list include **Roquette** at No.72, **The Doctor's Office** at No.76 and **Canon** at No.79.

Toronto claims four spots on the list, including **Library Bar** (No.51), **Civil Works** (No.55), **Cry Baby Gallery** (No.68), **Simpl Things** (No.83) and **Slice of Life** (No.96).

Establishments in Calgary make the list with three spots including **Missy's** (No.52), **Proof** (No.58), and **Shelter** (No.99). Victoria is recognized with **Humboldt Bar** (No.69), and Montreal is represented with **Bar Bisou Bisou** at No.75, **Bar Bello** at No.84 and **The Coldroom** at No.91.

Five bars from Mexico feature on the list: **Brujas** (No.65), **Ticuchi** (No.82) and **Casa Prunes** (No.94) from Mexico City, **Sabina Sabe** (No.54) from Oaxaca, and **Zapote Bar** (No.74) from Playa del Carmen.





Rounding out the North American region, **Door No.4** in Grand Cayman comes in at No.87.

The 1-50 list of North America's 50 Best Bars 2025, sponsored by Perrier, will be revealed at a live awards ceremony in Vancouver on April 29. The countdown of the list will be broadcast live to a global audience who are unable to attend in person. Bars and cocktail lovers are invited to join through the 50 Best Bars TV channel on [YouTube](#).

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#### EDITOR'S NOTES

#### 51 – 100 List

Position	Bar	Town
51	Library Bar	Toronto
52	Missy's	Calgary
53	Prophecy	Vancouver
54	Sabina Sabe	Oaxaca
55	Civil Works	Toronto
56	Viceversa	Miami
57	The Dead Rabbit	New York
58	Proof	Calgary
59	Bandista	Houston
60	Dante West Village	New York
61	Champagne Bar at The Surf Club	Miami
62	Lemon	Chicago
63	Queen Mary	Chicago
64	The Long Island Bar	New York
65	Brujas	Mexico City
66	Attaboy	New York
67	Laowai	Vancouver
68	Cry Baby Gallery	Toronto
69	Humboldt Bar	Victoria
70	Nickel City	Austin
71	Trick Dog	San Francisco
72	Roquette	Seattle



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73	Bar Leather Apron	Honolulu
74	Zapote Bar	Playa del Carmen
75	Bar Bisou Bisou	Montreal
76	The Doctor's Office	Seattle
77	Bar Kaiju	Miami
78	Swizzle Rum Bar & Drinkery	Miami
79	Canon	Seattle
80	Beachbum Berry's Latitude 29	New Orleans
81	Equal Measure	Boston
82	Ticuchi	Mexico City
83	Simpl Things	Toronto
84	Bar Bello	Montreal
85	Bar Snack	New York
86	Herbs & Rye	Las Vegas
87	Door No.4	Grand Cayman
88	Happy Accidents	Albuquerque
89	Nine Bar	Chicago
90	Shinji's	New York
91	The Coldroom	Montreal
92	Meo	Vancouver
93	The Portrait Bar	New York
94	Casa Prunes	Mexico City
95	Paradise Lost	New York
96	Slice of Life	Toronto
97	Highball	Phoenix
98	Bar Contra	New York
99	Shelter	Calgary
100	Bar Next Door	Los Angeles

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### About North America's 50 Best Bars

Following the success of The World's 50 Best Bars, sponsored by Perrier, and the establishment of Asia's 50 Best Bars in 2016, 50 Best launched North America's 50 Best Bars, with the first edition of the awards held in New York, N.Y. on June 7, 2022. It shines a much-deserved spotlight on the region as a world-class drinks' destination and acts as a mouthpiece for the outstanding talent coming through. The inaugural North America's 50 Best Bars awards ceremony and unveiling of the list provided a unique opportunity to unite bartenders, bar owners, cocktail aficionados and drinks media from all over the region at a captivating celebration of drinks, hospitality, passion and talent. North America's 50 Best Bars includes voting for bars from Canada, the U.S., Mexico and the Caribbean. William Reed, which owns the 50 Best brand, is entirely responsible for the organization of the awards, the voting system and the respective lists.

### How the Voting Works

The ranking for North America's 50 Best Bars will reflect the best bar experiences based on the votes of the Academy members, who comprise anonymous North American bar industry experts from the USA, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. The voting split of these bar industry experts is 33% bartenders and bar owners, 33%, drinks writers and educators, and 33% well-traveled cocktail experts. There is a 50/50 gender balance among the voters.

This year's Academy is made up of more than 300 voters. This change was implemented to obtain a wider snapshot and ensure a greater number of diverse voices are heard in the voting process. Moreover, as per all 50 Best lists for restaurants, bars, and hotels, a minimum of 25% of Academy members are refreshed annually to keep the perspectives dynamic and relevant. Members of the 50 Best organization do not vote and do not control the composition of the list; that is the collective role of the voting Academy. This means that bars cannot apply to be on the list and no sponsors have any influence on the list.

The Academy is divided into 7 regions: USA Northeast; USA Midwest; USA West; USA South; Canada East; Canada West; Mexico and the Caribbean. Each region has its own panel of members including a chairperson, called the Academy Chair. The Chairs each select a voting panel, ensuring a balanced selection. Each North America Academy





member will vote for 7 bars, with a maximum of 5 in the home country (or state in the U.S.) where they are based. Voters also have the option to vote for a further 2 (or more) bars located outside of their home country (or U.S. state) up to a maximum of 7.

The lists of North America’s 50 Best Bars and The World’s 50 Best Bars are the results of two separate votes from two different voting Academies, taking place at different times and assessing different geographical regions. Therefore, the results from voting create two separate lists, with different rankings.

Voting is carried out individually and strictly confidentially on a secure site and remains confidential before the list announcement. Academy Chairs are not privy to, and have no knowledge of, the votes cast by the voters in their respective regions. They are not spokespeople for the 50 Best brand.

The list will be the result of a poll of more than 300 experts (all within the North American continent), who each cast votes for the bars where they have had their ‘best experience’ during the last 18 months before the voting deadline. The list is a simple computation of votes by North American voters for bars in North America. Further information on the Academy Chairs and how the voting works is available on the FAQs page [here](#).

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