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50 GREAT PLACES TO WORK

Chances to
learn and grow

Good pay

Generous
benefits

Stimulating work

Flexible
schedules

Rewards and
recognition

PLUS
The secrets
of getting
ahead at
any job and
tales of the
area's worst
bosses



\$4.95



3. PEKING GOURMET INN

FALLS CHURCH

Whole ducks with pancakes, thinly sliced spring onions, and hoisin sauce bring big crowds.

MEXICAN**OYAMEL**

PENN QUARTER

José Andrés's glam spot features salt-foam-topped margaritas, artful ceviches, and of course tableside guacamole.

2. EL CENTRO DF

LUGAN CIRCLE AND GEORGETOWN

Tacos and more than 100 tequilas are the thing, and the all-you-can-eat \$35 brunch is a hit.

3. CACTUS CANTINA

O'FELAND PARK

This Tex-Mex hangout has been dishing up fajitas and swirly frozen margaritas for 23 years.

FROZEN YOGURT/ICE CREAM**FROZENYO**

MULTIPLE

AREA LOCATIONS

Calorie counters love the creative flavors of self-serve



Berries and tropical fruit dress up a cup of frozen yogurt at FroZenYo.



An array of salsas brightens a lunchtime feast of pork-, steak-, and chicken-topped tortillas at District Taco.

yogurt (apple pie, French toast) and plentiful DIY toppings.

2. PINKBERRY

MULTIPLE AREA LOCATIONS

Tangy frozen and Greek yogurts are piled with fresh fruit—or less virtuously, brownie bits—at this LA-born chain.

3. PITANGO GELATO

LUGAN CIRCLE, PENN QUARTER, CAPITOL HILL, AND RESTON

Sick of chocolate and vanilla? Cardamom and black tea are two off the offbeat flavors at these gelato/sorbet/coffee shops.

BAKERY**BAKED & WIRED**

GEORGETOWN

Most folks stand in line for the cupcakes, but the fruit pies and OMG Bars—layered with caramel, marshmallow, and chocolate—are fantastic, too.

2. PAUL

DOWNTOWN DC, FOGGY BOTTOM, GEORGETOWN, PENN QUARTER, TYSONS GALLERIA

Baguettes, oversize macarons, and tarts are among the indulgences at this French chain.

3. BAYOU BAKERY

COURTHOUSE

We hit New Orleans transplant David Guas's cafe for many treats: pralines, biscuits, and especially the cream-filled Dat-O cookies.

CHEAP LUNCH**DISTRICT TACO**

CAPITOL HILL, DOWNTOWN DC, AND ARLINGTON

The Yucatán-style tacos are available Mexican style (with cilantro and lime) or American (with cheese, lettuce, and pico de gallo).