

Discount Shopping

AZITA J: 2238 S. Sepulveda Blvd., West Los Angeles (310-478-1593). Designer clothes for women at discount prices. Selections include Albert Nipon, Donna Karan, Anne Klein, and others. Maternity clothes available. Open 10:00 am-7:00 pm Monday-Saturday; closed Sunday.

BED, BATH AND BEYOND: 11854 W. Olympic Blvd., West Los Angeles (310-478-5767). Located in an enormous warehouse, this store sells linens, towels, cookware, dishes, glassware, gifts, closet and drawer organizers, bath and kitchen accessories of all kinds, plus some furniture, picture frames, lamps and more. The kiddie section has toys, books, dishes, sleeping bags, towels and more for the junior set. Open 9:00 am-9:00 pm Monday-Saturday; 9:00 am-8:00 pm Sunday. Also located in Culver City, Westchester, the Beverly Center, Woodland Hills and Studio City.

BEST BUY: 10861 Weyburn Ave., Los Angeles (310-443-9912); 11301 W. Pico Blvd., West Los Angeles (310-268-9190) and 10799 Washington Blvd., Culver City (310-204-2147) Good prices on home audio and video equipment, home office and computers, appliances, music and entertainment software, cell phones, pagers and more. Open Monday-Saturday from 10:00 am-9:00 pm and Sunday from 11:00 am-7:00 pm

BIG LOTS: 5587 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City (310-391-5905). Very good discounts on many discontinued name brand merchandise or seconds. Their stock changes frequently, but you can always count on getting the best price on items such as kitchen towels, pot holders, glasses, candles, children's party favors and the like. Also located at 1341 Vine St., Hollywood (323-464-3505).

COOPER BUILDING: 806 Los Angeles Street (at 9th), Downtown Los Angeles (213-622-1139). This 11-story building is located in the heart of the garment district. It is one of L.A.'s most esteemed architectural landmarks, built in 1924 in a Renaissance Revival style. As a hotbed for the Los Angeles fashion community, the building is home to several leading and up and coming fashion brands and a destination for runway shows, galleries, events, and creative design.

Over 60 stores located under one roof include factory outlets and discount stores selling designer fashions for men, women and children, jewelry, leather goods, beauty supplies, fragrances, shoes, linens, bath accessories and more. Open Monday-Saturday 9:30-5:30; Sunday 11:00-5:00.

COSTCO WHOLESALE: 13463 Washington Blvd., Culver City (310-754-2003) A huge membership discount store where you can find electronics, computers and software, home appliances, furniture, linens, clothing for men, women and children, books, music, bulk grocery items and liquor. They also have a fresh meat market and bakery, an optical shop, jewelry department, a one-hour photo service, pharmacy, gas station, and tire service center. UCLA employees are eligible for membership. Open Monday-Friday 11:00 am-8:30 pm; on Saturday from 9:30 am-6:00 pm and from 10:00 am-6:00 pm on Sunday. Many other locations, including 14501 Hindry Avenue., Hawthorne (310-727-0403), Van Nuys and Burbank.

CULVER READY FOR FINISH FURNITURE: 4366 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City (310-397-6734). West Los Angeles' largest selection of unfinished furniture in solid woods (oak, pine,

alder and birch). Selection includes bookcases, wardrobes, desks, bedroom sets, dining room tables and chairs, stereo cabinets, and children's furniture. Open Monday-Saturday 9:30 am-6:00 pm; Sunday noon-5:00 pm

FLAPJACKS: 10590 Pico Blvd., Los Angeles (310-204-1896). A resale store for children offering clothes and shoes. In addition to clothing, which ranges from infant to size 12, you can also find strollers, toys, and other essentials - all at good prices. Open Monday-Saturday, 10:00 am-6:00 pm; noon-5:00 pm on Sunday.

THE HOME DEPOT: 12975 Jefferson Blvd., Marina del Rey (310-822-3330). A do-it-yourself warehouse offering tons of tools and hardware, electrical supplies and lighting, everything for your lawn and garden, an indoor lumber yard and building materials, a decorating and paint store, and a kitchen and bath store. A McDonald's restaurant is located within the store. Other locations include Gardena, Hawthorne, Torrance, Canoga Park, and Van Nuys.

IKEA: 600 N. San Fernando Blvd., Burbank (818-842-4532). An enormous home furnishings retailer which opened its first L.A. store in 1990. Furniture, lamps, cookware, wall-coverings, glassware, linens, and more can be found. The huge store contains a Swedish-style restaurant and a free, supervised play area for children. Open daily from 10:00 am – 9:00 pm. Also located at 20700 South Avalon Blvd, Carson (310-527-4532).

LINCOLN APPLIANCES: 1674 20th St., Santa Monica (310-829-2442). This is the place to go for washers, dryers, refrigerators and freezers. Large discounts on slightly damaged appliances, but often a scratch is in the back or on the side. For \$25-\$35 they will deliver and remove your old appliance. Open Tuesday-Friday from noon - 5:00 pm; Saturday from noon – 4:00 pm

LOEHMANN'S: 19373 Victory Blvd., Reseda (818-345-7063) and 333 La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles (310-659-0674). Discounted women's fashions with a large selection of sizes and prices. Their selection varies from designer apparel to casual clothing. Also located in Torrance.

MARSHALLS: 6221 Bristol Parkway, Culver City (across from Fox Hills Mall) (310-337-9158); and 11270 Olympic Blvd. (310-312-1266). Brand name clothing for men, women and children plus accessories and jewelry. Other locations in Canoga Park and Torrance. Open Monday-Thursday and Saturday 9:30am-9:30pm, Friday 9:30am-10:00pm, and Sunday 11:00am-7:00pm.

MIKASA OUTLET: 20642 S. Fordyce, Carson (310-537-9344). The drive is worth it for the discounts on china, crystal and silverware. Open Saturday-Thursday, 10:00 am-6:00 pm, until 7:00 pm on Friday. Also located at the Camarillo Outlet Mall, 740 Ventura Blvd., Camarillo (805) 445-7011

NORDSTROM RACK: Howard Hughes Center, Westchester (310-641-4046). Open Monday-Thursday 10:00 am-9:00 pm, Friday-Saturday 10:00am-10:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am-8:00 pm.

Discounts on Nordstrom's men's, women's and children's clothing. Also located at 21490

Victory Blvd., Woodland Hills (818-884-6771); 227 N. Glendale Ave., Glendale (818-240-2404). These last two are open Monday-Friday 10:00am-9:00pm, Saturday 10:00am-8:00pm, Sunday 10:00am-6:00pm.

OLD NAVY: Third Street Promenade, Santa Monica (310-576-9166); Fox Hills Mall, Culver City (310-398-9184); The Beverly Connection, 100 N. La Cienega, LA (310-854-0858); and 1800 Rosecrans Ave., Manhattan Beach (310-725-9285). Owned by The Gap, their casual line of clothing includes jeans, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and swimwear for men, women, and children. Good prices, good quality.

ONCE UPON A CHILD: 2607 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta (818-248-9996). New and used children's clothing (up to size 9), toys, books and furniture. Clean, quality items available at reasonable prices. Hours Monday-Friday 10:00 am-7:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am-6:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am-5:00 pm.

PERFUMES WEST: 2099 Westwood Blvd., West Los Angeles (310-470-8556). Discounts on name brand fragrances, beauty and hair supplies. Open 10:00 am-6:00 pm Monday-Saturday; 11:00 am-4:00 pm on Sunday.

ROSS DRESS FOR LESS: 1751 Westwood Blvd., Westwood (310-477-1707). Discount men's and women's apparel, shoes, cosmetics and fragrances, plus picture frames, linens, and other household items. Children's section features clothing, shoes, some toys and books. Good discounts on name brands. Also at 10818 Jefferson Blvd., Culver City (310-204-5024) and at 3033 S. Sepulveda (310-390-5970). Open 9:30 am-9:30 pm Monday-Saturday; from 11:00 am-7:00 pm on Sunday.

SMART & FINAL: 604 Lincoln Blvd., Venice (310-392-4954). Other locations include 11221 W. Pico Blvd., West LA (310-473-0344), 12210 Santa Monica Blvd., West LA (310-207-8688), 10113 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles (310-559-1722), and 1835 La Cienega (310-558-0576). This is a good place to go if you're having a party. Offerings include bulk paper goods (plates, napkins, paper towels), huge bags of snacks, cases of soft drinks, plastic serving platters, trays, and silverware, plus cleaning supplies, groceries, baked goods, produce, and more. Hours vary by location.

STAR CLUB: 4031 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City (310-390-6631). Excellent values on televisions, stereos, camcorders, VCRs and other electronic equipment. Closed Saturday; open 'til 6:00 pm on Sunday, 10:00 am-7:00 pm Monday-Thursday; until 3:00 pm on Friday.

TARGET: 10820 Jefferson Blvd., Culver City (310-839-5200). A large discount department store offering men's, women's, and children's clothing and accessories, kitchenware, linens, toys, curtains, cleaning supplies, hair products, automotive supplies, sporting goods, and more. Also located at 3535 S. La Cienega Blvd, Los Angeles (310-895-1131) and 1200 N. Sepulveda

Blvd., Manhattan Beach (310-546-5601). This location has a large garden section. And 5711 Sepulveda Blvd. Van Nuys, (818) 779-0163.

TOYS R US: 11136 Jefferson Blvd., Culver City (310-398-5775) and 1833 La Cienega Blvd., 310-558-1831. The largest discount toy store in L.A. Other locations include Burbank, Manhattan Beach, Huntington Beach, Thousand Oaks, Torrance, Van Nuys, and Woodland Hills. Open Monday-Friday 10:00am-9:00pm, Saturday 9:00am-9:00pm, Sunday 10:00am-7:00pm.

TJ MAXX: 11020 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City (310-390-7944). Men's, women's and children's clothing, plus house wares, picture frames, gift items, toys, jewelry, bedding, furniture, and rugs. Many name brands at substantial discounts. Open 9:30 am-9:30 pm Monday-Saturday; 11:00 am-8:00 pm on Sunday. Also at 8621 South Sepulveda Blvd, Westchester (310-670-7098) and 1401 Hawthorne Blvd., Redondo Beach.

TUESDAY MORNING: Culver Center, Culver City, (310-202-0458); in Westchester Village at 8801 South Sepulveda Blvd. (310-645-8802) and other locations.

Tuesday Morning is a closeout retailer, which means you can get terrific buys on first quality merchandise. You can expect to find such well-known brand names as Martex, Limoges, Murano, Wedgwood, Samsonite, Royal Doulton, Lego, and Madame Alexander. Items for the bed and bath, cookware and house wares, crystal, gourmet foods, lawn and garden accents, toys and luggage, plus much more, are available at 50% to 80% off regular retail prices. However, product quantity, availability, and style vary by store and may not last long in any given location. Open 10 am-7 pm; from noon-6:00 pm on Sunday.