1. Opal: CA/Italian cuisine, good wine, (805) 966-9676
2. Restaurant Jane: CA/Italian cuisine, great value, (805) 962-1311
3. Downeys: CA nouvelle (an originator), expensive, (805) 966-5006
4. Carlitos: Mexican, great food and giant servings, Margaritas! (805) 962-7117
5. Bouchon: CA, game, local wines, expensive, (805) 730-1160
6. Olio e Limone: Italian, expensive, (805) 899-2699
7. Olio Pizzeria: Very popular; crowds, wait, (805) 899-2699
8. Arigato Sushi: Santa Barbara favorite, very popular, expensive, (805) 965-6074
10. Hungry Cat: Seafood, try the local urchin, expensive (805) 884-4701
11. Petit Valentien: Hidden French gem, good value, (805) 966-0222
12. Los Arroyos: Mexican, informal, great food, value (805) 962-5541
13. Spice Avenue: Indian, (805) 965-6004
15. Intermezzo: Wine-bar and food, expensive, (805) 966-9463
16. Dargan's Irish Pub: Surprisingly good food, value, (805) 568-0702
17. Blue Agave: Nouvelle Mexican, best mole in town, (805) 899-4694
18. Cafe Luck: French bistro, exquisite, expensive (805) 962-5393
19. Square One: CA, local, (805) 965-4565