

Brentwood & Santa Monica



- 1. Calypso/Calypso Home** This St. Barths-based empire, which is all about pastel silk wrap dresses and marine- and bohemian-inflected housewares (Calypso is named after Jaques Cousteau's boat), fits right in at the low-key Brentwood Country Mart. The Calypso Home store is particularly large—there's more here than you'll find in any of the other flagships. There's also a Calypso on Sunset, but the shopping experience in Brentwood is significantly calmer. 225 26th St., Calypso: 310-587-0703; Calypso Home: 310-434-9601; 8635 Sunset Blvd., 310-652-4454; calypso-celle.com
- 2. Feature** Just two doors down in Brentwood from where owner Navin Megji went to preschool, Feature is her interpretation of what a good neighborhood shop should be. Though she did a stint in New York at Dolce & Gabbana, she always wanted to come home to offer a slate of labels—Mischen, Marlova, Karen Walker—that locals used to have to drive too far to find. 11958 San Vicente Blvd., 310-826-6600
- 3. Jigsaw London** This British High Street chain made its introduction to the U.S. by way of the thoroughly chill Brentwood

- Country Mart—which is a nice backdrop for its perfectly bohemian floral-print dresses and slouchy boots. 225 26th St., 310-395-8883, plus other locations
- 4. Kiehl's** At 1,500 square feet, the Santa Monica location of this much-loved, globally-minded beauty and bodycare company is the most rewarding (and the most laid-back), but there are three more scattered across the city. 1516 Montana Ave., 310-255-0055, kiehls.com; plus other locations
 - 5. Post 26** Named after its original incarnation—a 1950s post office—Post 26 has the feel of a barn, crowned with a hay-loft-like exposed-beam attic. The pieces are thoroughly cified, though, with choices from Rick Owens and 3.1 Phillip Lim. Backed by two retail veterans (stylist Jeannine Braden, who also owns Fred Segal Flair, and Kay Sides, a Chanel and Maxfield's alum), this Brentwood duplex is arguably the most comprehensive destination west of the 405 for difficult-to-come-by collections. 225 26th St., 310-451-0950
 - 6. Saylor** Though no longer named Holiday, Saylor—washed in shades of ballet pink—still evinces its original beach sensibility: Loose-fitting shirtdresses from Minnie Mortimer rest next to Lyell blouses, while lace-edged cotton camisoles and frothy silk slips spill out of antique steamer trunks. 912 Montana Ave., 310-434-9274
 - 7. Selima et Benjamin** It's truly tiny, but this closet-size shop packs in revered eyewear designer Selima Salaun's greatest hits, from her signature '70s aviators in bright red to cat's-eye reading glasses in deep tortoise. It also stocks other brands, like Oliver Peoples and Ray-Ban. 225 26th St., 310-260-0160, selimaoptique.com
 - 8. Zenbunni Gallery** Way up in hippieish Topanga Canyon, this jewelry store looks like a secret cave. Though married owners Zen and Bunni Wyldeflower switch it up every few months, right now it's moodily lit and decorated with Western/safari-inspired art. The jewelry, all arranged in moss-, leaf-, and stone-dotted vignettes, is equal parts glamorous and sinister. There are feather necklaces handcarved from bone displayed next to diamond-studded enamel rings modeled after pansies. 115 S. Topanga Canyon Blvd., 310-455-4351