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## OCEAN GROVE

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## Chef's guide to ... OCEAN GROVE

### TY SIMONS

*The Driftwood Cafe  
head chef, owner*



### NAPONA

When lockdown forced restaurants to switch up their offering, Napona started making pizzas. Without doubt these are the best in Ocean Grove. They are made from hand-stretched sourdough bases topped with simple, quality ingredients – this is how pizza should be done. Enjoy one on the deck or enjoy takeaway or home delivery. Their dine-in menu is beautiful, too.

**24 Hodgson St**

### THE GROVE COFFEE CO

Dom moved to Ocean Grove from Tassie a couple of years ago and has been making consistently good coffee ever since. A very simple menu that doesn't get in the way of the caffeinated drinks means all of Dom's energy goes into making great coffee. It's tucked away (don't blink or you'll miss it).

**2/85 The Terrace**

### PARADISE PARLOUR

This is Ocean Grove's only house-made ice cream, using quality ingredients to make an ever-changing mix of wonderful flavours. Plans for ice cream cakes and house-made stick ice creams are well under way.

**3/62 The Terrace**

### CHANG NOI

The team at Chang Noi has been serving authentic, tasty Thai for a few years now. The restaurant has just undergone a revamp and looks great. Eating in is a great experience, with a good range of local wines, and the takeaway never disappoints – we always order too much.

**64B The Terrace**

### THE PIPING HOT CHICKEN SHOP

A classic, 1950s-inspired diner with great

live music. Tami has been serving burgers, chips, and all things chicken for about 30 years. Musicians come from as far as the US to play at a little shop on the Bellarine.

**6/63A The Terrace**

### BLISS AND CO WHOLEFOODS

This store has an amazing variety of wholefoods and household products. Bring your own containers and fill up. You can even grab a coffee while you are shopping.

**64A The Terrace**

**FYI TY SIMONS IS ALSO OWNER AND HEAD CHEF OF THE COVENANT WINE BAR IN OCEAN GROVE.**