

The new Bean & Barnacle in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea offers a range of treats, from gelato to cookies. (Lexi Robinson / Courtesy)



Bean & Barnacle opens in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea

The cafe is the second restaurant to open at the oceanfront Plunge Hotel. [More]

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Plunge Beach Hotel, 4660 El Mar Drive, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, 754-312-5775, PlungeBeachHotel.com

This new oceanfront hotel opened a second eatery this summer with a third on the way this fall.

"It's a convenient option to pop in for a quick bite or takeout order to bring to the beach," hotel general manager Doug Barrow says. "Lauderdale-by-the-Sea is a very walkable town, and we're fortunate to be located in a prime location with easy access on the corner of A1A and Pine Avenue, along with complimentary parking. Locals are heading over from condos and businesses to relax and sometimes work, as we offer free Wi-Fi, too."

Cafe favorites include kale salad with spicy citrus vinaigrette (\$8), the Gentleman roast beef sandwich (\$9) and bread pudding with tres leches ice cream (\$6.95).

"The coffee we serve, both hot (\$3) and nitro-brewed (\$6), is phenomenal," Barrow says. "We have an offbeat sense of humor and refer to it as survival juice. It's freshly roasted coffee by Wells Coffee, an amazing independent distributor and local coffee artisan."

Daily hours are from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

An overhead panel of chalkboard art runs the length of the service counter. A smattering of bistro tables are inside and out with dark-blue umbrellas outside.

