Leading lady **Bryce Dallas Howard** bites into her two vampiest roles yet, as a Southern drama queen in *The Loss of a Teardrop Diamond* and as Bella's rival in *The Twilight Saga: Eclipse*. While in Vancouver filming the latter, the young mom explains why she might just be the city's number-one fang.

"I've always talked about coming to Vancouver," says actress Bryce Dallas Howard while scouring the clearance shelf in front of Book Warehouse, a shop she returned to again and again while filming Eclipse. "It's like the Emerald City." And just like Dorothy, who returned home eventually, Howard will soon pack her bags for Portland, Oregon, to begin pre-production on Gus Van Sant's new film, which she is producing and cowrote (after that, she's going back to school to get her MFA in creative writing). She stars this winter in *The Loss of a Teardrop* Diamond, based on a lost Tennessee Williams screenplay, as Fisher Willow, an abrasive yet vulnerable character in the vein of Blanche Dubois and Maggie the Cat. "While shooting the movie in Louisiana," she says, staring out at Vancouver's idyllic waterfront, "I had a 'mom moment' looking at a magnificent sunset. It occurred to me that the purpose of the human experience on Earth is to move through obstacles with grace." She picks up her 2-year-old son, Theodore, and adds, "If you can do that, there will always be a sunset." — *Victoria Revay* 

# VERA'S BURGER SHACK

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I love the organic beef Natural Burger. I've become very good friends with Xavier Samuel, who plays Riley in *Twilight*, and we had our first meal together here. We play love interests and while we were rehearsing we came here and hit it off. Now we're joined at the hip. He's even going to stay with my husband [actor Seth Gabel] in L.A.

### ELIXIR BISTRO @ OPUS HOTEL

350 DAVIE STREET

When I was flying to Vancouver, I sat beside Michael Edelstein, a producer, and we became plane friends. He wrote down a few things that I needed to see and do while I was in the city. He told me about this place and I've been here every single week. It's elegant and lovely, and I bring the cast of *Twilight* here for brunch.





## BOOK WAREHOUSE

1051 DAVIE STREET

I drive my husband crazy because I don't browse books—I buy books. And he's always giving me these ultimatums like, "If you don't finish all the books you've bought, you're not allowed to buy more."



#### **GRANVILLE ISLAND TOY COMPANY** 3298 MAIN STREET

I love that in addition to having a specialty toy shop, it also has a three-story jungle gym. You can go in there with your kid—one of the benefits of being a young parent—and crawl around for an entire afternoon. My son loves it here, so it's a pretty standard weekend activity.

## **STUDE0 55**

1114 ALBERNI STREET

All of us on *Twilight* trained at Studeo 55. The gym is awesome because it has different themed areas: a karate studio, a Pilates studio, a yoga studio—even a golfing area. Xavier and I were paired together for our workouts and it got competitive. All of us are panicking about maintaining our workouts once the movie is done.

## BLUE WATER CAFE + RAW BAR

1095 HAMILTON STREET

I come here—I'm embarrassed to say—several times a week. I order the tuna tataki, beef sashimi, tsunami roll and the steak. Whatever I got paid for *Twilight* no longer exists because I spent it all at this place.