

Step 26 · Equipment & Layout

Frequently Asked Questions

Which espresso machine should I buy for my business?

Choose a machine that suits your busiest service period and that a qualified technician can support locally. Compare steaming capacity, controls, space, power, water, and the complete installed cost. Try your actual drinks on the shortlisted models. A familiar brand or high price does not guarantee the right fit; check the exact model's permitted use, local approval requirements, and service arrangements before ordering.

Which point-of-sale system should I choose?

Choose through a working demonstration of your menu, payment flow, and reporting needs. Test modifiers, refunds, tips, and any ordering or accounting connections you will use. Compare processing charges, subscriptions, hardware, and exit terms using the same sales assumptions. Confirm support during your opening hours and test the outage procedure. Offline card payments can still be declined later; have a separate, workable backup.

Which grinder should I buy?

Choose for the coffee you will make and the pace you need to sustain. Espresso needs precise adjustment; filter coffee and retail bag grinding have different demands. Compare dose consistency, cleaning, noise, local service, and the workflow beside your machine. Try the grinder in your actual setup—especially weight-based dosing on a mobile counter. A larger burr or higher price alone does not settle the choice.

Where can I buy a coffee trailer?

Look at specialist builders and existing operators selling used units, then compare what is actually included. A shell, a fitted trailer, and a “turnkey” package can require very different spending before opening. Inspect the unit and verify the seller before paying. Have the proposed layout, utilities, equipment, and loaded towing setup checked by the appropriate local authorities and qualified professionals; an earlier owner's approval is not your approval.

Educational guidance. Check your own circumstances with the appropriate local professional.