

Discover Haverford Welcomes The Bookery Coffeehouse

Coffee, books, community – you can find it all at The Bookery Coffeehouse on Brookline Boulevard! This cozy café, connected to Plant Roots, brings the entire business together to welcome not only plant and home decor lovers, but also anyone seeking a tranquil place to sip coffee, pick up a book, and relax or catch up with a friend.

The Coffeehouse is run by Sophia Ranieri, a Havertown resident who discovered this opportunity while helping her mother, Gina Ranieri, at Plant Roots. Sophia began working in retail and restaurants while attending Delaware County Community College for a few years, then studied English at Temple University for a year. Ultimately, she realized her heart was with Plant Roots, a place where her creativity could flourish. Reflecting on her journey, she shared, “I ended up just growing to really love it, and I just kind of saw myself being here.”



Sophia envisioned expanding Plant Roots into something more, leading to the creation of The Bookery Coffeehouse. Sophia and Gina now run the business as partners. Sophia manages the coffeeshop, while Gina focuses on Plant Roots and the behind-the-scenes operations. Together, they’ve transformed the space into a must-visit spot in Haverford Township. “We knew that we wanted to do something different that was going to cater to a different group of people, because not everybody would come in here because they think it’s all plants,” Gina explained.

Throughout the shop, you’ll feel surrounded by friends, family, and a sense of community. Sophia’s childhood friends work alongside her. “When we need help, we kind of revert to friends and family because that’s the feel we want to give. We’re all close, and we can give the customers that sort of feeling in the shop,” Sophia shared.

This feeling of comfort and connection defines the coffeeshop. “We want it to feel like you’re in your own house or living room,” Sophia explained. “We wanted you to feel very cozy, like you could sit for hours and work without being uncomfortable or feeling like you were disrupting a space. It just kind of flows.” The Bookery carries an English bookshop vibe, with tall bookshelves and a dark, beautiful atmosphere. “It just kind of gives you a hug,” Sophia said.

The Bookery Coffeehouse also hosts fun events. On the first and third Wednesdays of each month, they team up with Plant Roots for Flora pop-up nights featuring a bar by The Kite and Key from Philadelphia, along with music and other vendors. They’ve also started a book club that meets monthly to discuss their latest read.

The Bookery Coffeehouse is open Tuesday through Sunday from 8 AM to 3 PM. To learn more visit plantrootslocal.com/thebookery and follow them on Instagram @thebookerycoffeehouse.

