



2022 ELC Summer Conference La Jolla Restaurant List

At the Estancia Hotel

Blend Café

Café 6am-8pm, Room Service 7am-8pm

Start the morning sipping your favorite beverage as the San Diego sun rises or simply grab and go on your way out for the day at this restaurant and café in La Jolla, CA. Located in the lobby, Blend whips up coffees and teas, smoothies, pastries, sandwiches, salads, and more. It's also a one-stop shop for Estancia La Jolla apparel, locally made gifts and any travel essentials forgotten at home.

Greenfinch Restaurant & Bar

Restaurant 8am-2pm, Bar 4-9pm

Whimsy is the name of the game when it comes to Greenfinch's playful, aviary-inspired interiors. Set above the central Garden Courtyard and featuring an open terrace, Greenfinch invites guests and locals to experience inventive takes on breakfast, brunch, and lunch classics in a setting fit for the most elegant tea party. As the day comes to an end, guests find their way back to Greenfinch Bar for craft cocktails and spirited interiors.

Mustangs & Burros

4-9pm, Happy Hour 4-5pm

With a relaxed sense of community, this La Jolla restaurant and bar was recognized as OpenTable's 2019 "Best Outdoor Dining" and continues to hit all the right notes with its Baja-inspired cuisine. Mustang & Burros' Executive Chef sources seasonal ingredients from San Diego to create dishes and shareable plates for friends and family to enjoy alongside refreshing craft cocktails. Enjoy dinner on our spacious patio or in our charming dining room, both accented by large, inviting fireplaces.

A.R. Valentien at The Lodge at Torrey Pines

11480 N Torrey Pines Rd (858)777-6635 [Visit Website](#)

American \$\$\$\$

The Lodge's signature restaurant, A.R. Valentien, highlights regional San Diego cuisine served in an elegant, timbered indoor-outdoor dining room overlooking the 18th hole of Torrey Pines Golf Course. Executive Chef Jeff Jackson sources only the best local provisions, and the menu changes frequently based on seasonal fare available. The restaurant takes its name from a talented early 20th-century California artist whose works are exhibited throughout the restaurant.

Barbarella Restaurant & Bar

2171 Avenida De La Playa (858) 454-7373 [Visit Website](#)

Italian, American \$\$-\$\$\$

This stylish La Jolla Shores stalwart has a menu has an eclectic menu, ranging from pizza and tuna salad sandwiches to huevos rancheros and lemon pancakes.

Candor by Giuseppe

1030 Torrey Pines Rd Ste B (858) 246-7818 [Visit Website](#)

American \$\$-\$\$\$

One of San Diego's most respected caterers runs this friendly neighborhood restaurant. Though the menu leans Italian, there's also a great burger.

Catania

7863 Girard Ave #301 (858) 551-5105 [Visit Website](#)

Italian, Mediterranean \$\$-\$\$\$

From a rooftop perch above Girard Avenue, this Whisknadle Hospitality restaurant serves an accomplished array of Italian dishes, from crudos to pizzas to wood roasted seafood, in a beautiful indoor-outdoor setting.

Eddie V Prime Seafood

1270 Prospect St (858)459-6500 [Visit Website](#)
American/Seafood \$\$\$

Eddie V's Prime Seafood brings an experience filled with Seafood, Steaks and Rhythm, with a menu emphasis on top of the catch prime seafood creations, USDA prime beef and chops, and fresh oyster bar selections. The restaurant is set in a relaxed, elegant atmosphere accented with a palette of sultry earth tones occasionally interrupted by bold colored artwork and mixed wood finishes.

El Pescador Fish Market

634 Pearl St (858) 456-2526 [Visit Website](#)
American, Seafood \$\$-\$\$\$

This community mainstay doubles as a fish market and a sit-down restaurant. Starting with the freshest of seafood, its grilled fish, sandwiches, and salads are always a hit.

George's at the Cove

1250 Prospect St (858) 454-4244 [Visit Website](#)
American, Seafood \$\$\$

A La Jolla institution, known for fabulous food and equally impressive views, is currently operating its Level2 bar and rooftop Ocean Terrace.

Harry's Coffee Shop

7545 Girard Ave (858) 454-7381 [Visit Website](#)
American, Café \$\$-\$\$\$

As a family-owned restaurant operating since 1960, Harry's Coffee Shop boasts the title of La Jolla's oldest diner. Head in for everything from potato pancakes and eggs Benedict to lunch favorites like a BLT or a chicken salad sandwich.

Herringbone La Jolla

7837 Herschel Ave (858) 459-0221 [Visit Website](#)
American, Seafood \$\$-\$\$\$

Herringbone's menu features everything from a vegan bolognese to a buffalo octopus starter, and the La Jolla location has a spacious outdoor patio that's perfect for a date night.

Himitsu

1030 Torrey Pines Rd G (858) 263-4463 [Visit Website](#)
Japanese \$\$-\$\$\$

This intimate sushi bar and patio is the domain of chef Mitsu Aihara, a Sushi Ota alum who offers an omakase experience as well as sushi rolls and la carte dishes.

Karina's Cantina

1055 Torrey Pines Rd (858) 999-0744 [Visit Website](#)
Mexican \$\$-\$\$\$

Specialists in mariscos, the Karina Group's La Jolla outpost offers its popular tacos, ceviche, seafood cocktails and more along with festive margaritas.

NINE-TEN Restaurant & Bar

910 Prospect St (858) 964-5400 [Visit Website](#)
American \$\$\$

This longstanding local favorite offers fine dining from executive chef Jason Knibb. Don't miss his signature Jamaican jerk pork belly and his take on the Italian classic caccio e pepe.

Piatti

2182 Avenida de La Playa (858)454-1589 [Visit Website](#)
Italian \$\$-\$\$\$

Established in 1987, Piatti offers finely crafted fresh Italian cuisine. The soul of the menu is our housemade pasta that we roll, cut and cook by hand every day. Offering a fresh take on the neighborhood Italian trattoria, Piatti combines a warm, inviting atmosphere, seamless service and an immersive market experience so you can enjoy Piatti at home.

Puesto La Jolla

1026 Wall St (858) 454-1260 [Visit Website](#)
Mexican \$\$-\$\$\$

The La Jolla outpost of Puesto was the first of what is now quite an empire. Though tacos are its calling card, the restaurant is also known for its excellent cocktails and housemade beer.

Semola

7556 Fay Ave (858) 412-3432 [Visit Website](#)
Italian \$\$-\$\$\$

This intimate restaurant is a creation of the Ambrogio15 team, serving contemporary Italian cuisine from chef Daniela Martinez and their Michelin-starred consulting chef that includes a progressive chef's tasting menu.

Shorehouse Kitchen

2236 Avenida del La Playa (858)459-3300 [Visit Website](#)
American, Cafe \$\$-\$\$\$

Great place for breakfast or brunch before the beach. Laid back atmosphere.

Smallgoods Cheese Shop and Cafe

7524 La Jolla Blvd (858)886-7117 [Visit Website](#)
American \$\$-\$\$\$

We're a small-but-mighty husband-and-wife + 1 employee cheese shop in La Jolla. Our specialty and passion is firmly rooted in slow food artisanal American-made cheeses and cured meats. Everything is made to order, customized to you and mostly served "to-go" so please be patient. Our shop is a simple, no-frills favorite with locals and for newcomers alike to grab a great lunch, or a platter to head back to the office or to our gorgeous beaches just 2 blocks away.

Sugar and Scribe Bakery and Fine Food

7660 Fay Ave (858)274-1733 [Visit Website](#)
American, Cafe \$\$-\$\$\$

Home of Food Network Champion Chef Maeve, Sugar & Scribe is a quintessential La Jolla hangout. Inspired by the classic bakeries of the world, the design is at once sophisticated and relaxed. The space includes sit-down dining, bakery counter, coffee bar and dog-friendly patio. Everything you will see and taste is the finest quality. We source only the best and prepare virtually everything from scratch. Our menu includes California favorites like salmon and salads, classics like benedicts and chicken salad, and select Irish favorites.

The Cottage La Jolla

7702 Fay Ave (858) 454-8409 [Visit Website](#)
American, Café \$\$-\$\$\$

With frequent lines on the weekend, this longtime staple is known for its bustling breakfast and brunch business.

The Marine Room

2000 Spindrift Dr (858) 459-7222 [Visit Website](#)
American, Seafood \$\$\$\$

One of La Jolla's crown jewels, the waterfront Marine Room is now being helmed by executive chef Mike Minor after the retirement of local legend Bernard Guillas. Minor, who is also heading up kitchen operations at La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club and the Shores Restaurant, has refreshed the Marine Room's menu with dishes that reflect his passion for regional Mexican cuisine.

The Poseidon in Del Mar

1670 Coast Blvd, Del Mar, CA (858)755-9375 [Visit Website](#)
American, Seafood \$\$-\$\$\$

One of the local chapter staff's favorites. A little father away but great view and food.

The Taco Stand

621 Pearl St (858) 551-6666 [Visit Website](#)
Mexican \$\$-\$\$\$

Serving Tijuana-style street tacos, this original location of the prolific chain continues to be a success in La Jolla with a frequent line out the door.