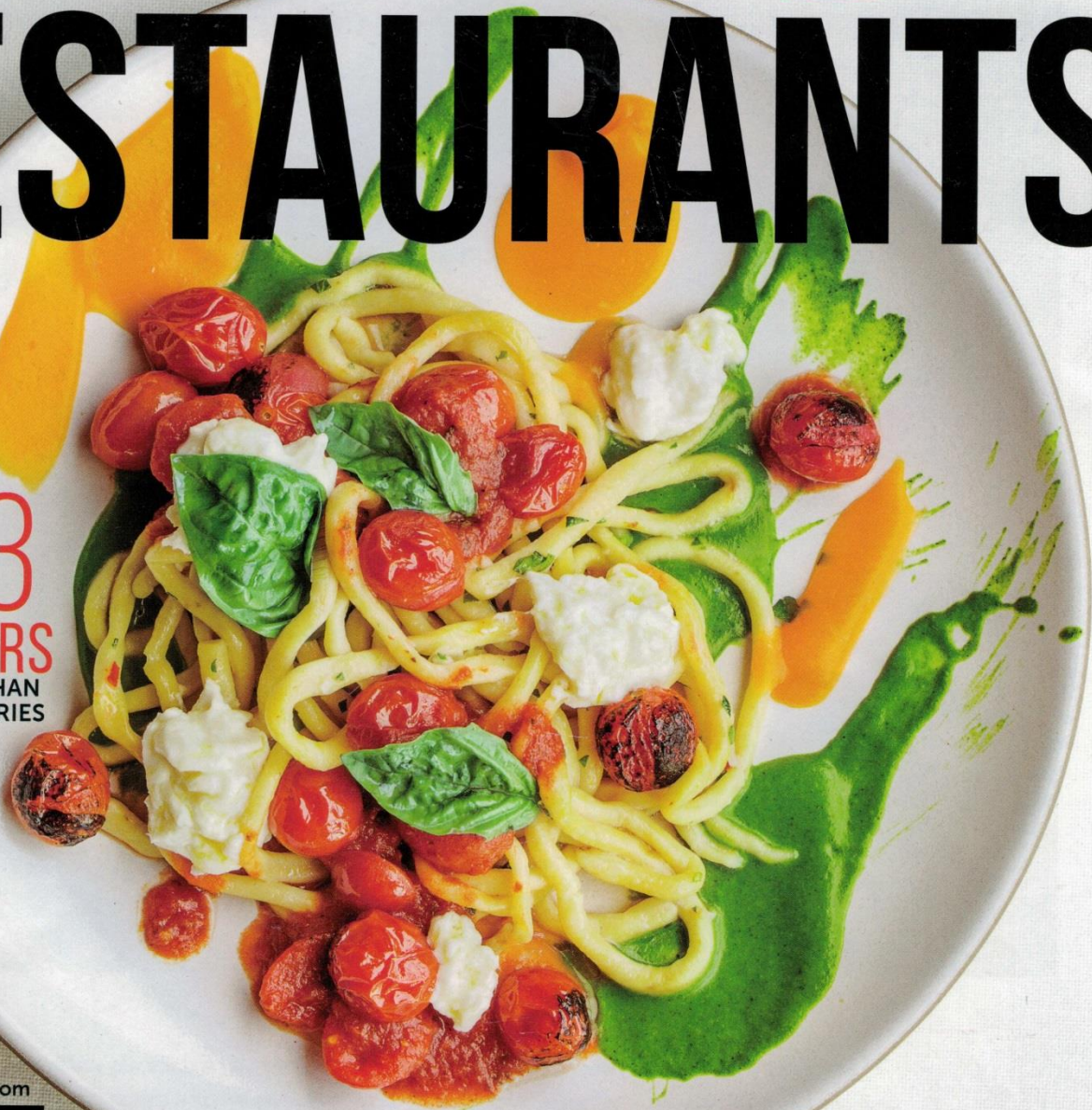


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READERS' PICK
Solare Ristorante

RUNNER-UP
**Cucina Urbana and
Cucina Enoteca**

CRITIC'S PICK
Solare Ristorante

BEST GREEK

READERS' PICK
Meze

RUNNER-UP
Cafe Athena

CRITIC'S PICK
Cafe Athena

BEST MEXICAN

READERS' PICK
Talavera Azul

RUNNER-UP
Puesto

CRITIC'S PICK
Bracero Cocina

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READERS' PICK
Bleu Bohème

RUNNER-UP
Cafe Chloe

CRITIC'S PICK
The Marine Room



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VEGETARIAN/
VEGAN**

READERS' PICK
Café Gratitude

RUNNER-UP
Civico 1845

CRITIC'S PICK
Café Gratitude

BEST BARBECUE

READERS' PICK
Phil's BBQ

RUNNER-UP
**Coops
West Texas BBQ**

CRITIC'S PICK
**Coops
West Texas BBQ**

**BEST
VIETNAMESE**

READERS' PICK
Le Bambou

RUNNER-UP
Saigon on Fifth

CRITIC'S PICK
Saigon on Fifth

BEST INDIAN

READERS' PICK
Bombay

RUNNER-UP
Royal India

CRITIC'S PICK
**Taste of the
Himalayas**

BEST CHINESE

READERS' PICK
Szechuan Mandarin

RUNNER-UP
Dumpling Inn

CRITIC'S PICK
Dumpling Inn

BEST KOREAN

READERS' PICK
**Manna
Korean BBQ**

RUNNER-UP
Tofu House

CRITIC'S PICK
Do Re Mi

BEST STEAKHOUSE

READERS' PICK
Cowboy Star

RUNNER-UP
Donovan's

CRITIC'S PICK
Cowboy Star

BEST SEAFOOD

READERS' PICK
Ironside Fish & Oyster

RUNNER-UP
Truluck's

CRITIC'S PICK
Mitch's

BEST FILIPINO

READERS' PICK
Tita's Kitchenette

RUNNER-UP
Manila Sunset

CRITIC'S PICK
Tita's Kitchenette

BEST JAPANESE

READERS' PICK
Sushi Ota

RUNNER-UP
Blue Smoke

CRITIC'S PICK
Wa Dining Okan

AFTER
DINNER,
HAVE A
DRINK AT
THE
ADJACENT
SHANGHAI
SALOON

BEST RUSSIAN

READERS' PICK
Pomegranate

RUNNER-UP
Pushkin

CRITIC'S PICK
Pomegranate

BEST THAI

READERS' PICK
Supanee

RUNNER-UP
Amarin

CRITIC'S PICK
Supanee

**BEST
BREAKFAST/
BRUNCH**

READERS' PICK
Talavera Azul

RUNNER-UP
Snooze

CRITIC'S PICK
Café 21

Readers' Pick & Critic's Pick! 😊

SPECIFIC DISHES

DON'T MISS THEIR JALAPEÑO WHITE SAUCE!

BEST SANDWICH

READERS' PICK Rubicon Deli
RUNNER-UP Board & Brew
CRITIC'S PICK Cucina Urbana

BEST PIZZA

READERS' PICK Napizza
RUNNER-UP Buona Forchetta
CRITIC'S PICK Buona Forchetta

BEST TACO

READERS' PICK Puesto
RUNNER-UP Tacos El Gordo
CRITIC'S PICK Galaxy Taco

BEST FISH TACO

READERS' PICK Rubio's
RUNNER-UP Puesto
CRITIC'S PICK Puesto

BEST BURRITO

READERS' PICK Lolita's
RUNNER-UP Lucha Libre
CRITIC'S PICK Lucha Libre

EXECUTIVE CHEF TREY FOSHEE'S TORTILLAS START FROM HOMEMADE MASA WITH NON-GMO CORN

BEST CHIPS AND SALSA

READERS' PICK Miguel's Cocina
RUNNER-UP Puesto
CRITIC'S PICK Ranchos Cocina

BEST FRIES

READERS' PICK Searsucker
RUNNER-UP Burger Lounge
CRITIC'S PICK Searsucker

BEST SUSHI

READERS' PICK Sushi Ota
RUNNER-UP Sushi Deli
CRITIC'S PICK The Land & Water Co.

BEST SALAD

READERS' PICK Napizza
RUNNER-UP Tender Greens
CRITIC'S PICK Urban Solace (watermelon salad)

BEST SMALL PLATES MENU

READERS' PICK Meze
RUNNER-UP Tidal
CRITIC'S PICK Tidal

BEST RAMEN

READERS' PICK Underbelly
RUNNER-UP Tajima
CRITIC'S PICK Underbelly

BEST BACON DISH

READERS' PICK Pork belly app, Carnitas' Snack Shack
RUNNER-UP Maple bacon donut, Great Maple
CRITIC'S PICK Maple bacon donut, Great Maple

BEST ICE CREAM

READERS' PICK Hammond's
RUNNER-UP Bobboi Natural Gelato
CRITIC'S PICK Pappalecco

BEST DONUT

READERS' PICK Donut Bar
RUNNER-UP Nomad Donuts
CRITIC'S PICK Donut Bar

BEST PANCAKES

READERS' PICK Snooze
RUNNER-UP Richard Walker's
CRITIC'S PICK Snooze

BEST FRENCH TOAST

READERS' PICK Snooze
RUNNER-UP The Mission
CRITIC'S PICK The Mission

BEST EGGS BENEDICT

READERS' PICK Snooze
RUNNER-UP Breakfast Republic
CRITIC'S PICK Little Lion

HALL-OF-FAME DISH

READERS' PICK Spinach and ricotta ravioli, Solare Ristorante
RUNNER-UP Kung pao chicken, Szechuan Mandarin
CRITIC'S PICK Jamaican jerk pork belly, Nine-Ten



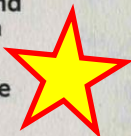
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BEST WINE LIST

READERS' PICK
Cucina Urbana and
Cucina Enoteca

RUNNER-UP
Solare Ristorante

CRITIC'S PICK
Addison



BEST BEER SELECTION

READERS' PICK
Hamiltons

RUNNER-UP
Regents Pizzeria

CRITIC'S PICK
Hamiltons

BEST COCKTAILS

READERS' PICK
Searsucker

RUNNER-UP
Polite Provisions

CRITIC'S PICK
Polite Provisions

BEST COFFEE

READERS' PICK
Dark Horse

RUNNER-UP
Bird Rock

CRITIC'S PICK
Caffé Calabria

BEST BREWPUB

READERS' PICK
Ballast Point

RUNNER-UP
Stone Brewing World
Bistro & Gardens

CRITIC'S PICK
Stone Brewing World
Bistro & Gardens

BEST WINE BAR

READERS' PICK
Village Vino

RUNNER-UP
Wine Steals

CRITIC'S PICK
3rd Corner

BEST JUICE BAR

READERS' PICK
Papayas Juice
Bar & Fruiteria

RUNNER-UP
Sacred Juice

CRITIC'S PICK
Farm to Fork

BEST MARGARITA

READERS' PICK
Puesto

RUNNER-UP
Cafe Coyote

CRITIC'S PICK
Puesto

BEST MULE

READERS' PICK
Starlite

RUNNER-UP
Uptown Tavern and
West Coast Tavern (TIE)

CRITIC'S PICK
Starlite

BEST OLD-FASHIONED

READERS' PICK
Seven Grand

RUNNER-UP
Cowboy Star

CRITIC'S PICK
Cowboy Star

NAMED AFTER
TONY GWYNN'S
RECORD-SETTING
BATTING AVERAGE

BEST LOCAL CRAFT BEER BRAND

READERS' PICK
Ballast Point

RUNNER-UP
Stone

CRITIC'S PICK
Green Flash

BEST PALE ALE

READERS' PICK
Big Eye,
Ballast Point

RUNNER-UP
.394, AleSmith

CRITIC'S PICK
Alpine

BEST IPA

READERS' PICK
Sculpin, Ballast Point

RUNNER-UP
Stone IPA, Stone

CRITIC'S PICK
Sculpin, Ballast Point

BEST STOUT

READERS' PICK
Peanut Butter
Milk Stout,
Belching Beaver

RUNNER-UP
Speedway Stout,
AleSmith

CRITIC'S PICK
Speedway Stout,
AleSmith

BEST PORTER

READERS' PICK
Smoked Porter, Stone

RUNNER-UP
Victory at Sea,
Ballast Point

CRITIC'S PICK
Smoked Porter, Stone

BEST SESSIONAL BEER

READERS' PICK
Mosaic, Karl Strauss

RUNNER-UP
Even Keel, Ballast Point

CRITIC'S PICK
Session IPA, Duck Foot

BEST WHEAT BEER

READERS' PICK
Orange Avenue Wit,
Coronado

RUNNER-UP
Fortunate Islands,
Modern Times

CRITIC'S PICK
Cali Creamin',
Mother Earth

BEST BROWN ALE

READERS' PICK
Nut Brown, AleSmith

RUNNER-UP
Speedo's Tiki
Love God, Fall

CRITIC'S PICK
Board Meeting, Port

BEST RED

READERS' PICK
Red Trolley, Karl Strauss

RUNNER-UP
Mermaid's Red,
Coronado

CRITIC'S PICK
Red Trolley, Karl Strauss

BEST BELGIAN-STYLE BEER

READERS' PICK
Cali-Belgique, Stone

RUNNER-UP
The Harlot, Societe

CRITIC'S PICK
The Harlot, Societe

PAIR IT
WITH THEIR
LATE-NIGHT
MENU,
SERVED
FROM
10 P.M. TO
MIDNIGHT



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RANKINGS 2016

San Diego's restaurant scene has never been so jam-packed with options. From a challenger to the barbecue throne to the recent emergence of vegan and vegetarian options, there's a bit of manna for everyone in this year's list of the city's best.