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Where to Have Thanksgiving Dinner in San Diego

They'll do the dishes, too.

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THANKSGIVING BRUNCH AT THE CATAMARAN | PHOTO COURTESY OF EVANS HOTELS

Just one more thing to be thankful for: a meal cooked by someone else. Forget slicing, dicing, basting, and clean-up thanks to these San Diego restaurants offering multi-course meals, prix

fixe menus, and even buffets. They can't guarantee an entirely stress-free turkey day, but at least someone else will do the dishes.

University Heights

Hope 46

Guests will walk away stuffed from this three-course meal including a choice of a winter harvest salad or roasted butternut squash soup; a choice of top sirloin, herb crusted turkey breast and thigh, or wild salmon; and a third course of either pumpkin pie or rustic fall apple tart. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Price: \$49 for adults | \$20 for children ages 3 to 11

Address: 2223 El Cajon Boulevard

Louisiana Purchase

Want to kick off the holiday early? Spend time with friends at Louisiana Purchase's Friendsgiving Chef's Table enjoying Chef Quintton "Q" Austin's take on Thanksgiving from the south.

Date: November 19

Time: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Price: \$100 per person

Address: 2305 University Avenue

Great Maple

Truck the whole family to this chic American eatery, where the following are on the menu: Spiced lobster bisque, marinated heirloom tomatoes, mini lump crab cakes, fresh roasted turkey, rosemary roasted prime rib, forest mushroom risotto, and sweet yams with toasted marshmallow. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: Brunch from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Dinner from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Price: \$49 for adults | \$15 for children 13 and under | \$25 optional wine pairing

Address: 1451 Washington Street

La Jolla

The Marine Room

Options à la carte are endless at The Marine Room. Pick and choose appetizers, entrées, and sweets, including red walnut-crusted blue crab cake, Maine lobster bisque, ale-brined turkey breast, center cut filet mignon, heirloom carrot ginger risotto, gluten-free three-layered Callebaut chocolate mousse, salted caramel cheesecake, and espresso and vanilla bean cobblestone pie.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Price: Varies

Address: 2000 Spindrift Drive

Eddie V's

Thanksgiving at Eddie V's promises a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Got a picky eater who's not in the mood for turkey? Their full dinner menu will be available as well. Reservations required.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Price: \$43 for adults | \$15 for children

Address: 1270 Prospect Street

Mission Bay



Photo by Walter Wilson/Crave Imagery

Acqua California Bistro

All the fall flavors are found in this four-course meal: Spiced pumpkin soup, mushroom ravioli, butternut squash risotto, and of course roasted turkey. Reservations required.

Date: November 28

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Price: \$63 for adults | \$19 for children

Address: Hilton San Diego Resort and Spa, 1775 East Mission Bay Drive

Bahia Resort Hotel

Spend Thanksgiving at the Bahia, accompanied by live piano, views of Mission Bay, and festive fare—including two carving stations, salmon, pork loin, butternut squash ravioli, and seasonal desserts. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Price: \$56 for adults | \$25 for children ages 5 to 11 | Free for children under 5

Address: 998 W Mission Bay Drive

Pacific Beach

The Duck Dive

The Duck Dive's traditional turkey dinner is served all day until supplies run out. Call to learn more about their holiday partnerships with Foster Kids of San Diego, the [Polinsky Center](#), and [San Diego Foster Angels](#).

Date: November 22

Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Price: \$15 for traditional turkey dinner

Address: 4650 Mission Boulevard

Catamaran Resort Hotel and Spa

Enjoy stunning views of Mission Bay and live acoustic guitar at the Catamaran's annual Thanksgiving brunch buffet. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Price: \$62 for adults | \$25 for children ages 5 to 11 | Free for children under 5

Address: 3999 Mission Boulevard

Downtown

Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse

Del Frisco's will showcase a premium three-course menu with favorites such as slow roasted turkey breast with apple-sausage stuffing and all the trimmings, plus seasonal dessert options like pecan pie à la mode. Reservations required.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Price: \$59 per person

Address: 901 Bayfront Court, Suite 105

Barleymash

Head down to the Gaslamp for a delicious three-courser. Pick your starter and dessert, then enjoy a main course of andouille-stuffed turkey roulade with garlic mashed potatoes, brown ale biscuit stuffing, Brussels sprout casserole and roasted baby carrots.

Date: November 28

Time: Begins at 2 p.m., call for availability

Price: \$45 per person

Address: 600 Fifth Avenue

Point Loma

Cesarina

Put an Italian spin on Thanksgiving with both Cesarina's specialty and regular menus. They'll be serving two Thanksgiving-inspired pastas including Lasagna Zucca e Taccino and Ravioli Patate e Taccino. Or, go traditional with Arrosto di Taccino, thinly sliced roasted turkey with homemade demi, sweet potato mash, fagiolini all'agro and cranberry sauce. By the end, you'll be saying "*grazie*"—guaranteed. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: Dinner served from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Price: Varies

Address: 4161 Voltaire Street

Vessel Restaurant + Bar

Vessel Restaurant + Bar will offer a family style buffet. Highlights include both traditional and non-traditional dishes from butternut squash bisque and whipped Yukon Gold potatoes to heritage roast turkey, stuffing, crispy BBQ baby back ribs, lobster rolls, and 1855 Black Angus prime rib roasts. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Price: \$75 for adults | \$25 for children 12 and under

Address: 1551 Shelter Island Drive

Adams Avenue

Et Voilà!

The French bistro guarantees something for everyone: adults, kids, wine lovers, and even those hard-to-please-around-the-holidays vegetarians. This three-course prix fixe dinner includes Thanksgiving classics as well as French dishes. For dessert, enjoy almond Tuile, raspberry coulis, pecan and cranberry tart, brown butter apple mousseline or cinnamon orange sorbet. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Price: \$42 for adults | \$19 for children | \$18 optional wine pairing

Address: 3015 Adams Avenue

Blue Boheme

How about Thanksgiving *en Français*? All meals come with a starter, entrée, and dessert of choice. Indulge in classic wines or indulge in the special cocktail, The Pumpkin Pie Martini, crafted with Absolut vanilla vodka, pumpkin spice liqueur, Kahlua, butterscotch schnapps, and a crushed graham cracker rim. Reservations recommended.

Date: November 28

Time: 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Price: \$65 for adults | \$19.95 for children 12 and under

Address: 4090 Adams Avenue

Multiple Locations



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Restaurant Group

Cohn Restaurant Group

From smoked turkey breast to shrimp and bacon mac and cheese, Cohn Restaurant Group owns and operates over 20 restaurants participating in Thanksgiving fun, including: Coasterra, Island Prime C-Level, The Prado, Vintana, Indigo Grill, and BO-beau kitchen + bar. Check out [Cohn Restaurant Group](#) for more details. Reservations recommended.