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Thanksgiving in San Diego

Let the holidays cater to you this year and choose from this list of things to do for Thanksgiving in San Diego. Show the whole family a good time by trying something different this time around. Don't worry about your uncle stealing all the gravy at the dinner table—attend one of these buffets for the holiday and indulge in unlimited traditional Thanksgiving fixings. Tired of going to the movies thinking that's the only thing open. After all the eating you are fighting to stay awake during the pre-views. Why not let the holidays be a reason to get out of the house and enjoy some family activities together. Burn off that turkey-coma by hitting the ice at Hotel Del's ice skating rink instead! Get off the couch and go for a run at the Del Mar family fun run. Check out our mini guide to Thanksgiving in San Diego and see how you can make the holiday extra special this year.

Green Dragon Tavern & Museum

www.greendragontavernca.com (<http://www.greendragontavernca.com>)

This is a holiday for the books. Celebrate Thanksgiving amongst the Pilgrims and Native Americans who founded this tradition at Green Dragon Tavern. Feast on a buffet of roast turkey, spiral ham with apple cider glaze and New England Cod with Lemon beurre blanc. Don't forget all the fixings! Their sides include mixed greens, shrimp cocktail, soup, rosemary mashed potatoes and white truffle and yucca creamed corn to name a few. Don't forget to save room for dessert with their assortment of house made pies and chocolate fountain! Once you've put as much food as you can humanly take into your body, burn it off by wandering the museum. The museum focuses on the contributions of our founding fathers during colonial-American history. Take a peek at the innovations of those who came before us.



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Rancho Bernardo Inn

www.ranchobernardoinn.com (<http://www.ranchobernardoinn.com/>)

Tucked away on a lush 18-hole golf course, Rancho Bernardo Inn is a tranquil oasis offering multiple options for Thanksgiving this year. For the true foodies, the on-property restaurant, AVANT is offering an elevated 3-course Thanksgiving menu from 2 – 7 p.m. With sophisticated offerings by Chef Tomas Baistrocchi,

AVANT is the perfect choice for food-lovers who want a break from the kitchen. For fun with the whole family, the Aragon Ballroom will serve Thanksgiving classics with a special holiday buffet from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. The entire family will be entertained, as the event is featuring live music on the terrace and a petting zoo & pony rides on the lawn. For Thanksgiving sweets to-go, patrons can delight in delicious mini-pies by Chef Margaret Nolan, the well-known pasty expert.



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The Commons

www.thecommonssd.com (<http://www.thecommonssd.com>)

It's Turkey Time! The Commons, will be open at 4 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day to welcome both visitors and locals to celebrate their Thanksgiving with The Commons' Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner and watch the Seattle Seahawks take on the San Francisco 49ers at 5:30 pm. The Commons' Thanksgiving Dinner is composed of comfort traditions and holiday favorites with standouts off the menu including Herb Roasted Turkey paired with Charred Cherry Tomato Turkey Jus, Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, French Green Bean Casserole, Sourdough and Golden Raisin Stuffing and topped off with fresh pumpkin pie.



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Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa

www.ranchovalencia.com (<http://www.ranchovalencia.com>)

Located in the upscale San Diego community of Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa, which just reopened last October following a \$30 million renovation, will host an exquisite Thanksgiving buffet presented by Executive Chef Jarrod Moiles on Thursday, November 27. Featuring various stations including Charcuterie and Cheeses, Salads, Cold Seafood, House Made Pastas, a Carving Station and Desserts, guests will get the chance to indulge in Veladora's Coastal Ranch cuisine that blends the area's locally grown fruits and vegetables with unique combinations of flavors. Topped with live music and a most decadent dessert spread including the resort's classic Pumpkin and Pecan pies, it's just the way to celebrate the holiday. Reservations are required.



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Lael's Restaurant at Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego

www.manchestergrand.hyatt.com/en/hotel/dining/LaelsRestaurant (<http://www.manchestergrand.hyatt.com/en/hotel/dining/LaelsRestaurant>)

With an endless buffet, diners of every pallet are sure to be pleased. Beginning with a selection of fresh salads and soups including a Ginger Butternut Squash Bisque, an Autumn Cobb Salad and an International and Local Cheese Display, guests can also delight in a delectable Seafood Display with Alaskan King Crab Legs and Fresh Shucked Pacific Oysters, and Sushi on Ice with fresh Sashimi, and a Wakame and Tofu Salad with Papaya Vinaigrette. A live carving station including Whole Tom Turkey, Prime Rib and Cedar Salmon is also available for Thanksgiving diners, along with a Risotto station, Bacon wrapped roasted Chicken Breast, Ancho Chili braised Short Ribs and Miso marinated local Halibut. The over-the-top meal is finished off with a selection of sweet and savory desserts, from a Mini Pumpkin Creme Brûlée, a traditional Pecan and Pumpkin Pies and a Cinnamon Streusel Cake.



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Hotel Del Coronado's Historic Crown Room and Ballroom

www.hoteldel.com (http://wac.c402.edgecastcdn.net/80C402/del-cdn/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/thanksgiving_menu_2014.pdf)

The resort's holiday programs will kick off Thanksgiving weekend, beginning with dinner in the oceanfront Ballroom and magnificent Crown Room on November 27. The elegant buffet, similar to The Del's legendary brunches, will be a lavish feast with all of the trimmings and live musical entertainment. Get lost in this endless buffet and a delectable assortment of over 20 desserts.



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Pacifica Del Mar

www.pacificadelmar.com (<http://www.pacificadelmar.com/>).

Pacifica has created a three-course, seasonal feast set to the stunning views of the Pacific Ocean. Warm up with starters like Autumn Squash Soup or Japanese Clam Chowder. Dig into hearty traditional dishes and signature staples like Oven Roasted Turkey with all the trimmings and Sugar Spiced Salmon with Chinese beans, garlic mashed potatoes and mustard sauce. End the dinner with a slice of Pacifica's Homemade Pumpkin Pie.



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Brian's 24 Restaurant Bar & Grill

www.brians24.com (<http://www.brians24.com>)

Surprise, surprise...Brian's 24 will be open this Thanksgiving. OK, not really a surprise—because they are always open. This is, after all, the restaurant that never sleeps. Lucky us. Enjoy their holiday special, “The Gobbler,” the appropriately named holiday turkey sandwich which features special stuffing, cranberry aioli, with oven roasted turkey on a grilled hoagie roll.



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Cusp Dining & Drinks

www.cusprestaurent.com (<http://www.cusprestaurent.com/>)

Sophistication meets comfort in the form of a three-course Thanksgiving dinner at Cusp Dining & Drinks. Guests will be greeted with a selection of hors d'oeuvres followed by choices like Butternut Squash Soup with fried sage and candied chestnut cream and Roasted Free Range Turkey with chive whipped Yukon potatoes, molasses glazed brussel sprouts, sausage wild rice stuffing and cranberry sauce. Seasonally-themed desserts like Cranberry Ginger Pie and Pumpkin Pie will also be included.



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Del Mar Thanksgiving Family Fun Run

www.DelMarScene.com (<http://www.delmarscene.com/>)

While waiting for the turkey to cook, come out to Del Mar with the entire family to do a one mile lap around the racetrack itself! Expected to

participate are many of your favorite jockeys running right with you. Participants receive racetrack admission and parking, a fun run t-shirt, and a portion of the proceeds benefit Helen Woodward Animal Center and their equestrian therapy program for children and adults with special needs. Kids prizes will also be available. After the run, Helen Woodward will be hosting one of their beloved adoption events at the track. Plus a puppy race. Then stay for some racing with our special 11 a.m. post.



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“Skating by the Sea” at The Del – Opens Thanksgiving Day

Named the top ice skating rink in the US by Travel Channel, The Del’s outdoor and ocean-front ice skating rink is celebrating it’s 10th anniversary this year and opens Thanksgiving Day! To mark the decade, Hotel del Coronado is expanding the ice rink surface to now accommodate up to 200 skaters at one time! Guests and visitors can inquire about private lessons or enjoy a picturesque sunset over the Pacific Ocean while on the ice.



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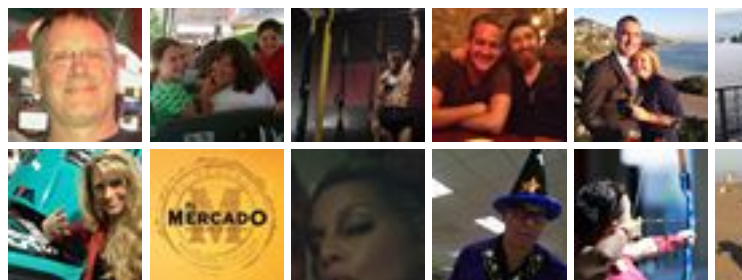
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