

Where to Celebrate Easter in San Diego

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Don't let Easter slip you by. On March 27, 2016, San Diego restaurants are pulling out all the stops to celebrate Easter Sunday. Whether you're looking for bunny tea parties, all-you-can-eat brunches or something in between, here's where to dine during this spring holiday.

Bahia Resort Hotel is throwing a celebration in its Mission Ballroom. From 10 AM until 3 PM, guests will be treated to brunch with made-to-order omelets, Belgian waffles, herb-roasted turkey breast, mustard-glazed ham, peel-and-eat shrimp and more. Cost is \$48 per person, \$22 for children, ages 5 to 11, and it includes a complimentary Mission Bay cruise with the brunch. For more information, call 858-539-8666.

Duke's La Jolla's Easter celebration begins at 11 AM. Along with coconut shrimp croquettes, kalbi short rib tacos, and other plate lunch specials, the restaurant will also have an Easter egg hunt, face painting and custom balloon animals for the kids. Reserve a table by calling 858-454-5888.

Downtown's Manchester Grand Hyatt is holding an Easter Champagne Brunch from 10 AM until 2:30 PM featuring a customized omelet bar, Belgian waffles, an iced seafood display and more. Cost is \$69.95 per adult, \$32 for children ages 6 to 12. More information available online.

Reserve your place for brunch at Mille Fleurs in Rancho Santa Fe. The restaurant will offer a special three-course prix fixe menu for \$59.50. Shrimp and lobster ravioli, eggs benedict, NY steak and double chocolate mousse are just a few of the options available. Book online at www.millefleurs.com.

The US GRANT is continuing its annual Easter brunch buffet. This year, look for the restaurant's hash-egg station along with an assortment of soups, salads, seafood, roasted loin of beef and desserts. Price is \$82 for adults and for \$39 for children 12 and under. Make reservations by calling 619-744-2039.

Paradise Point's Tidal has a special prix fixe with choices like chicken liver mousse, grilled baby artichoke Caesar, chorizo and eggs flatbread, Baja stone crab benedict and more. In addition, children will receive complimentary Easter baskets with their dessert course. Cost is \$44 for adults and \$28 for children. Visit the restaurant's website for the complete menu.

Mister A's in Bankers Hill is offering a three-course prix fixe menu this Easter. Choose from classic lobster bisque, deviled eggs, black tiger shrimp and grits, lamb osso bucco and more for \$55. Call 619-239-1377 to reserve a seat.

Celebrate Easter the Italian way at Monello in Little Italy. This holiday, the restaurant is offering a three-course prix fixe brunch from 10 AM to 3:30 PM that includes dishes like smoked salmon

and spinach omelets, bombolonis and pancakes topped with a chocolate and orange glaze. Cost is \$25 per person. Visit www.lovemonello.com to make reservations.

Downtown's BiCe has a three-course prix fixe featuring meats and cheeses, soup and salad options and main courses like ravioli stuffed with braised beef. Cost is \$48 per person and is available from 12:30 AM until 3:45 PM. Call 619-239-2423 for more information.

San Diego's iconic Hotel Del Coronado is going all out with its annual champagne brunch this Easter at the hotel's ballroom. Cost is \$110 for adults and \$43 for kids ages 6 to 10. Visit hoteldel.com for more information.

Coronado Island Marriott Resort & Spa is celebrating Easter with an outdoor brunch. Menu highlights include a raw oyster bar, whole grilled local fish, tandoori-spiced opah and more. Also included are activities for the whole family like a bean bag toss and a cookie decorating station for the kids. Cost is \$75 per adult (\$15 more with addition of mimosa and Bloody Mary bar) and \$35 for children 12 and under. Call 619-522-3193 for more information or reservations.

The Lafayette Hotel, Swim Club and Bungalows in North Park is hosting a special Easter brunch from 10 AM to 3 PM. Guests can choose from a chilled seafood bar, selection of cheeses, carving stations and plenty of desserts. Cost is \$55 per person. Call 619-780-0358 for reservations.

Kensington's Bleu Bohème is delivering a three-course prix fixe menu for the holiday. From 10 AM until 2:30 PM, choose from French dishes like pâté et terrine, quiche maison, steak frites and desserts such as mousse au chocolat or profiteroles. Price is \$49 per person. Call 619-255-4167 for more information.

Take in the sights of the San Pasqual Valley while enjoying brunch at The Ranch at Bandy Canyon. For Easter, the restaurant will be serving an all-you-can-eat buffet with stations featuring seafood, salad, meats and dessert. Brunch is from 11 AM to 2 PM. Cost is \$45 per

person (with an optional Bloody Mary and mimosa bar for \$15 more) and \$25 for guests under 11. Make reservations by calling 760-871-6494.

In Escondido, Bellamy's Restaurant is planning a special Easter brunch. Choices include beignets, Maine lobster bisque, flat iron steak and more spread over three courses. House cocktails and Bloody Marys will also be offered for \$6. Cost is \$49 per person and \$19.95 for children 12 and under. Save a spot by calling 760-747-5000.

Rancho Bernardo Inn is hosting three celebrations on its property for Easter. At AVANT, indulge in a three-course brunch from 11 AM to 3 PM. Adults are \$75 and \$25 for children. Or head over to Veranda Fireside Lounge for the buffet: adults are \$35 and \$22 for kids. At the Aragon Ballroom, it's a family affair with a full-fledged brunch plus a petting zoo and pony rides for the kids. Cost is \$72 per adult and \$35 for children. For more information or to make reservations, call 888-976-4417.

The Westgate Hotel is adding a Parisian spin to its spring celebration by offering Easter Bunny teas and a champagne brunch. Teas are available Friday, March 25, and Saturday, March 26, and includes petit fours, mini pastries and finger sandwiches along with tea service. Price is \$45 for adults and \$30 for kids 12 and under. On Sunday, the hotel will be serving its traditional Easter champagne brunch complete with different stations from 10 AM until 3 PM. Cost is \$79 adults and \$35 for kids 12 and under. Call 800-522-1564 for more information or to make reservations.

All outdoor seating will be used for L'Auberge Del Mar's Easter brunch. The property will have different stations spread throughout including salads and fresh seafood. Price is \$90 for adults and \$40 for children 12 and under. At the hotel's Kitchen 1540, they'll be serving an Easter three-course prix fixe lunch. White and green asparagus, cavatelli with crab meat, mushroom torta and strawberry rhubarb tart are just a few of the choices. Cost is \$45 for adults and \$20 for children. Call 858-796-6460 for reservations or more information.