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Valentine's Day Dinner Dates to Impress

Where to wine and dine with your Valentine

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Still deciding what to do for Valentine's Day? With a restaurant scene like San Diego's, finding the idyllic venue for a night with your special someone can be overwhelming. Ditch your usual spot and try something new with one of these Valentine's Day dinner dates to impress!

Looking for a restaurant draped in elegance and culinary esteem? Serving locally sourced dishes with French and Spanish influences, [Ponsaty's Fine Dining + Lounge](#) is your go-to spot for a romantic evening. For \$75 per person, the chef-crafted [Valentine's](#)

[Day Menu](#) will offer a variety of dishes made from fresh local ingredients and bathed in the rich flavors of Basque-inspired cuisine. Enjoy the Tasmanian Trout Tartare appetizer before diving into the tender Foie Gras Stuffed King Beef Wellington. Polish off the night with something sweet and try either the Chocolate Decadence or Raspberry-Saffron Sorbet.

In the mood for something more rustic? Reignite the flame with [Bracero Cocina de Raiz](#), a restaurant serving traditional Mexican cuisine inspired by generations of culinary heritage. Treat yourself to the Lagarita cocktail, made from jalapeno-infused tequila, Mandarine Napoléon, lime, cinnamon and El Sully Mexican lager float. Be sure to share the House Guacamole served with crisp sea salt chips, before enjoying a plate of the Traditional Chile en Nogada, an elaborate dish loaded with the classic walnut, fruit and poblano roasted pepper flavors characteristic of the traditional dish. Of course, it wouldn't be Valentine's Day without a dessert for two, so treat your sweet to the Dark Chocolate Mole Cake.

For a more casual Valentine's Day dinner spot with top-notch cuisine, [Del Sur Mexican Cantina](#) in South Park is a family-oriented and dog-friendly restaurant that offers a variety of Mexican dishes and specialty cocktails. Toast to a romantic evening with a glass of Sangria and share an order of the Ceviche before bathing your taste buds in a plate of Chile Rellenos smothered in roasted pepper cream sauce. Your night is destined for laidback romance at this cantina-style restaurant.

For a farm-to-table experience this Valentine's Day, [Bellamy's Restaurant](#) is known for its dynamic selection of dishes inspired by French influence. For \$75 per person, Bellamy's offers a special three-course [Valentine's Day menu](#), curated to reflect the chef's French culinary expertise. Curb your appetite with the Red Crab & Poached Shrimp Salad before enjoying the Mountain Meadow Russian Risotto topped with shaved black truffles and aged parmesan cheese. In the mood for a wine-filled evening? For \$30 per person, add wine pairings to your romantic rendezvous!

For the inevitable pizza enthusiasts of San Diego, [The Haven](#) is your Valentine's Day destination. The Pesto Bruschetta will have you hankering for more of the restaurant's unique creations, so be sure to put in your order for the Popeye Pizza, topped with house-made roasted garlic sauce, fresh spinach, all-natural chicken, mushrooms, mozzarella and goat cheese. Share these dishes with your special someone and you're in for a truly memorable Valentine's Day!