



THE BEST RESTAURANTS IN SAN DIEGO RIGHT NOW

San Diego, you're a temptress. Your food continually gets better and more creative, even when we're talking about such staples as lobster rolls and pizza. In this round of Eat Seeker, we've updated our picks for the best restaurants in the city right now; these are the places we love and from which we require regular fixes so our bodies don't spasm from withdrawals. In short, we think you should love these places too.



WESTROOT TAVERN

CARMEL VALLEY

Executive Chef Joseph Rodriguez (formerly of barley mash) leads the kitchen at this spacious, bi-level space with two bars and tons of outdoor seating in The Village at Pacific Highlands Ranch, a swanky new shopping center in Carmel Valley. The menu stars crowd-pleasing, modern tavern fare like wings, nachos, and sandwiches, but with quality ingredients and high-level attention to detail (case in point: the carne asada fries are topped with seared skirt steak, spicy citrus-kissed guacamole, and lime crema along with the standard pico de gallo and cotija cheese). Thirty beers on tap and a strong cocktail list makes it a great place to grab grub in the area.