



## FINDING SUPER BOWL HOT SPOTS



*Pillbox Tavern Burger*

Super Bowl LII is still over a month away, but it's never too early to start planning on where to catch all the action of the year's best football game! And whether your team will be playing, or you only get excited for the creative commercials shown between plays, we've rounded up the best of the best in San Diego for super-eats and drinks to enjoy during the game.

[Backyard Kitchen & Tap](#), located in Pacific Beach at the corner of Garnet and Mission Boulevard, has plenty of Super Bowl seating inside and on their outdoor, dog-friendly patio. With both an indoor and outdoor bar, you will never have to wait long for a drink either! Backyard has an extensive list of local brews and craft cocktails to choose from, along with a made-from-scratch menu showcasing an assortment of tasty dishes. Perfect for a big group of friends, order the sharable **BKYD Wings**, served as one pound

of jumbo dry-rubbed or breaded boneless wings with your choice of traditional buffalo or scratch barbeque sauce. Dunk your wings in Backyard's house ranch or gorgonzola dip, and pair with **Bear Republic Racer 5 IPA** for the ultimate gameday experience.

Rising to meet North County's need for Coastal American cuisine, the retro [Pillbox Tavern](#) offers regulars and visitors a refreshing place to unwind in Solana Beach. With salads, wings, sandwiches and even a kid's menu, there is a little something for everyone here. For a super-star meal to enjoy while cheering on the team you hope wins, try the **Pillbox Burger**. With your choice of Angus Beef or a house-made veggie patty on a brioche bun, this mouthwatering menu item comes with cheese, signature tavern sauce, lettuce, tomato and onion. Bacon or avocado can also be added. With televisions placed all around the venue, every spot is a great seat at Pillbox Tavern!

[True North Tavern](#) was voted "Best Sports Bar for 2017" by the *Union Tribune* Reader's Poll, which is why it's the best spot in North Park to watch the Super Bowl, the most popular sports game of the year. With over 30 beers on tap and 25 HD widescreen tv's, you won't miss any of the action...including the entertaining commercials! Start out with a basket of the **Famous Original Loaded Tots**, with house seasoning, warm queso sauce, fresh cilantro, chipotle crema and salsa fresca. Another delicious starter is the **Sweet Chili Brussels Sprouts**. Charred organic brussels sprouts come smothered in sweet chili sauce, chopped scallions, sesame seeds and fresh herbs. Don't forget to ask for a beer, like the **Fall Magical & Delicious** American-style pale ale, to sip on while enjoying all the action.

Recently opened in La Jolla, [Nautilus Tavern](#) is the neighborhood go-to spot to catch any game, especially the Super Bowl. Satisfy your hunger with a shipload of scratch-made favorites, like **Wings** served with carrots, celery and ranch. Order five to start, or ten if you're really hungry, with your choice of seven different seasonings. The **Maple Bacon Bourbon** and **Sweet Flame**, made with honey mustard and sriracha are both excellent choices. The **Spicy Chicken Lettuce Cups** are also a great plate to order during the big game, as they come with plenty of seasoned chicken, green onions, cabbage and rice noodles for the whole gang.

If you are in search of a place where their passion for food and drink surpasses all others, head into [Westroot Tavern](#), at the Village at Pacific Highlands Ranch, on February 4th! The neighborhood tavern that believes in delivering an unforgettable experience to all who step foot in the door, offers seasonal cocktails, beer, and fresh and inspired food. You can't visit without trying the **Crispy Buffalo Chicken Mac** consisting of panko crusted chicken breast, housemade buffalo sauce, roasted poblano beer-cheese and ranch. You'll also really enjoy the **Pack Your Mule** cocktail, made with your choice of Skyy Vodka or Jameson Irish Whiskey, lime juice, house bitters, Maine Root ginger beer and fresh mint.