

## San Diego Food Finds BLOG

# BEST PLACES TO CELEBRATE MOTHER'S DAY

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*Chilaquiles at Curadero (courtesy photo)*

On the heels of Easter, we would love to praise all mothers and share a variety of **Mother's Day** dining offerings and programming around San Diego to treat our favorite women on May 14th. From brunches and teas to spa treatments, yoga classes and florals – gift mom with a special treat at the following destinations.

### **Cusp Dining & Drinks – Views to dine for, plus complimentary bubbly for Mom**

Cusp's Mother's Day Buffet checks all the boxes with its stunning ocean view and flavorful, coastal menu from Chef Ingrid Funes. The buffet will be stocked full of brunch fare like **Cinnamon Roll French Toast, Watermelon Feta Salad, Tortilla Soup, Salmon a la Veracruzana** and a selection of desserts. From 10am-2pm, brunch is \$65 for adults and \$30 for kids 12 and under. Come from 9am-9:45m, and get \$15 off the adult price and \$10 off the kids price. 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive – (858) 551-3620 – [www.cusprestaurant.com](http://www.cusprestaurant.com).

### **Pacifica Del Mar – Fresh al fresco dining**

Pacifica's serene location offers striking ocean views, making it the perfect place to relax on Mother's Day. The **3-course menu** will feature brunch favorites like. There will also be a vast selection of **brunch cocktails** available, from Bloody Mary's to fresh sippers. Pacifica's Executive Chef David Burke will have a menu just for kids. Reservations strongly suggested. Brunch starts at 9:30am, and will be \$42 per person. Dinner starts at 4pm. 1555 Camino Del Mar – (858) 792-0476 – [www.pacificadelmar.com](http://www.pacificadelmar.com).

### **Curadero – Casual brunch with a Mexican Flair**

Try something new this Mother's Day. The newly opened Mexican kitchen at Hotel Palomar is offering a breakfast, lunch and dinner options aplenty. Brunch-goers can start with Chef Kraten's **Pitahaya Bowl** with dragonfruit sorbet, fresh banana, berries and house made-granola or the **Omelet Curadero** with mushrooms, huitlacoche, requeson, epazote, salsa verde, and potato cakes. Order a Champurrado or house agua fresca to go with it. For lunch start with the **Frutas de Carrito**, and for dinner sample the **Crab & Shrimp Flautas**. 1047 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue – 619-515-3003 – [www.curadero.com](http://www.curadero.com)

### **The Cork & Craft – North County Eats and Beers**

The popular Rancho Bernardo restaurant, brewery and winery is serving playful dishes for the whole family. Menu items from Executive Chef Scott Cannon include the **Berry & Yogurt Parfait**, as well as the **Craft Caesar Salad** to start. Move on to the **Seasonal Vegetable Frittata**, infamous **Garlic Noodles** with poached egg, or the **Dungeness Crab Cake Bennies**. Moms will get a complimentary mimosa! Or opt to order an Abnormal beer or wine (extra). There's also a menu for the little ones! (858) 618-2463 – 16990 Via Tazon – [www.TheCorkandCraft.com](http://www.TheCorkandCraft.com)

### **BiCE – an elegant evening out**

Take mom to a sophisticated dinner at BiCE, who will be open from 4pm – 8pm on Mother's Day. Chef Mario Cassineri's 4-course menu starts with a *complimentary glass of bubbly* for Mom. First course includes Burrata with sautéed escarole, black olives and spanish anchovies, while second course includes a **Crab and Asparagus Soup** with crispy roasted shallot and crème freche and Pan Seared Salmon with roasted pea puree risotto. **Double Cut Lamb Loin** with roasted nectarine makes a good third course. Save room for something sweet. BiCE's **Strawberry Panna Cotta** is not-to-miss. BiCE's 4-course menu is \$49 per person. A kids menu for 10 and under is \$25. 425 Island Ave. – [www.bicesandiego.com](http://www.bicesandiego.com) – 619-239-2423

### **THE US GRANT's Mother's Day Brunch Buffet**

Show mom your appreciation by giving her the day off and treating her to a unique brunch experience on Sunday, May 14, from 11am – 2pm. For the first time, THE US GRANT Mother's Day brunch will be held in the Presidential Ballroom accompanied with live music and a buffet featuring bottomless mimosas, breakfast specialties, an omelet bar, fresh salads, seasonal side dishes, carved prime meats, Pacific seafood delicacies, and a collection of sweet treats. Additionally, husbands and children can surprise mom by creating hand made bouquets with fresh seasonal blooms from THE US GRANT's **pop-up floral market**, located in the lobby. Pricing for the Mother's Day Buffet Brunch is \$82 for adults, \$72 for seniors, and \$39 for children.

### **THE US GRANT Traditional Mother's Day Tea**

Adding a twist to the timeless tradition, THE US GRANT presents its first Mother's Day Tea on Saturday, May 13 from 1pm – 3pm in the newly refreshed lobby. Guests will go mad with delight while sipping on unique hot and cold brew loose-leaf tea, treasuring gourmet petite tea sandwiches, house made pastries, delicious desserts and champagne accompanied by live music. Also special for children, find a tailored **children's tea menu** perfect for mom's youngest guests with selections such as crispy chicken and fuji apple sandwiches, fresh berries with powdered sugar and more. Pricing for the Mother's Day Tea is \$59 for adults, \$52 for seniors, and \$35 for children. For both celebrations, hosted valet parking is included and reservations are required, and can be reserved by calling 619-744-2039.

### [Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa](#) | Rancho Santa Fe

Share your love for mom this Mother's Day with a delectable brunch at Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa on **Sunday, May 14 from 10 am – 2:30 pm**. During the brunch, mothers and family members alike can indulge in a spread of field-to-fork delights including Veladora's signature omelets, freshly crafted pastries, Belgian waffles and local vegetables straight from the garden. Additional menu highlights include gourmet quiches, stuffed crepes, smoke salmon, signature cobb salad, lobster salad sliders, chilled Baja California prawns, chilled king crab legs, prime rib, and more (full menu [here](#)). Following the brunch, guests can craft a flower bouquet or crown for mom, pamper her with a mini spa treatment, and cool off with a Prosecco float while enjoying family-friendly activities on the Croquet Lawn. Mother's Day brunch at Rancho Valencia costs \$130 for adults, \$55 for kids 11 and under, and children three and under are complimentary. Please make reservations by calling 858.759.6246.

### [Rancho Bernardo Inn](#) | Rancho Bernardo

Spend Mother's Day surrounded by family with unforgettable dining experiences offered by San Diego's picturesque North County resort, Rancho Bernardo Inn. Shower mom with a "brunch" of love and indulge in a delicious buffet at the property's signature restaurants:

- Savor a special Mother's Day brunch buffet menu at **AVANT** with bottomless mimosas available for \$14 (11am – 3pm; Adults \$75 | Kids \$25)
- Soak up the sun with **Veranda Fireside Lounge & Restaurant's** outdoor brunch buffet overlooking the golf course with live music and bottomless mimosas for \$14 (11am – 3pm; Adults \$68 | Kids \$25)
- Take part in a family friendly brunch buffet on the Aragon Lawn, compete with a petting zoo, pony rides and live music (10am – 3pm; Adults \$80 | Kids \$30)

Guests can even liven up the dining table or gift a beautiful arrangement from Inn Florals for the occasions. Options range from a beautiful **Love You Mom corsage** (\$25) **Bunches of Love Tulips** (\$40) and **Lavender Sentiments** (\$55). Reservations recommended by calling, 855.421.0268

### [FIREHOUSE American Eatery + Lounge](#) | Pacific Beach

Celebrate Mother's Day with brunch and yoga with a view! FIREHOUSE will host a Mother's Day "**Yoga & Brunch**" event in collaboration with Bird Rock Yoga on Sunday, May 14. Guests can enjoy a yoga class, breakfast and bubbles for just \$25 per person. Classes will be held at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

### **Paradise Point Resort & Spa | Mission Beach**

Located on the sparkling waters of San Diego's Mission Bay, Paradise Point Resort & Spa's island-inspired spa, offers guests and locals the quintessential destination for Mother's Day. Perfect for a mother-daughter treat, The Spa at Paradise Point is offering a special Mommy & Me Ice Cream Pedicure offering a pedi for two, sparkling wine and sangria for mom and ice cream treats for two on Mother's Day, May 14.

#### **Mommy & Me Ice Cream Pedicure (\$150)**

Spoil mom with sweet treats and simple relaxation this Mother's Day! This Mother's Day spa package includes:

- Sparkling adult beverages for mom (sparkling wine and sangria available)
- Ice cream treats for two from MooTime Creamery
- Relaxing pedicure for two using organic products from [FarmHouse Fresh](#)
- Available on Mother's Day only!

### **inBloom at Flower Hill Promenade | Del Mar**

Enjoy the morning sipping tea from fine china and delight in the selection of handmade scones, fruit, cookies, and finger sandwiches during the [Mother's Day Tea Party](#) as inBloom brings back the elegance of a traditional English tea experience. Come and celebrate the vibrancy and excitement of spring with inBloom, a month-long series of specialty events at Flower Hill Promenade. Thousands of blooms will welcome you and mom to shop, dine and play, with more than 100 specialty workshops and events for the entire family. The Mother's Day Tea Party will take place on Sunday, May 14 from 10 a.m. – noon and is \$35 for one admission and \$60 for two. Valet will be complimentary for this event.

### **Harrah's Resort Southern California | Valley Center, CA**

Harrah's Resort Southern California's various Mother's Day culinary offerings include brunch at the Buffet with stand out carving, seafood, breakfast, lunch, and international stations. For dinner, guests can indulge in a delectable prix-fixe meal at Fiore Steakhouse with first course choices including a fresh mixed salad with a creamy house bacon dressing and creamed mushroom soup; grilled shrimp "Étouffée" or petit filet mignon "Sardou" for main course selections; and a special dessert. At The Cafe, guests can enjoy grilled New York steak, garlic buttered shrimp, roasted fingerling potatoes, seasoned vegetables, soup or salad, and red velvet cake.

## **Rancho La Puerta | Tecate, Mexico**

### **May Mother's Day Programming**

Celebrate mom all month long with a luxurious wellness experience at Rancho La Puerta, the ideal mother-daughter getaway just an hour from San Diego. Throughout the month of May, Rancho La Puerta is offering special programming every Sunday including a special Mother's Day lunch with live mariachi music and daily evening concerts dedicated to moms. Mothers and daughters can also delight in the Ranch's usual amenities including over 80 different fitness classes, scenic hiking trails, spa treatments, therapeutic sessions and daily lectures to inspire a recharged sense of being. In addition, Rancho La Puerta provides healthy spa cuisine by utilizing the season's freshest ingredients from the on-property garden, as well as provides hands on cooking classes at the Ranch's culinary school, La Cocina Que Canta, helmed by Chef Denise Roa.