

## Padres game-day food selection heats up with hot chicken combo

**P**adres fans heading to Petco Park have another pregame meal option: Houston TX Hot Chicken is serving a \$20 game-day special. The deal includes an original hot chicken sandwich, fries and any beer of choice. The chicken sandwich is served with coleslaw, pickles and a house sauce on a brioche bun. **238 Fifth Ave., San Diego. 619-473-2748, hhc.ooo**



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**New spring and summer menus:** There are new dining options in Rancho Santa Fe as Lilian's is introducing new brunch, breakfast, lunch and dinner menus for the spring and summer months. One of the new breakfast choices is the duck hash, which combines duck egg, confit duck, confit potatoes and caramelized onions. For lunch, guests can order a Mediterranean grilled chicken wrap with whipped feta, tomato, arugula and olive tapenade in a spinach tortilla. A spaghetti lobster plate is on the dinner menu and it comes with bacon lardons, dashi cognac cream and and chives. **5951 Linea Del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-221-7000, liliansrsf.com**

**Cutwater anniversary:** Cutwater Spirits is celebrating eight years of its tasting room and kitchen with three days of specials and giveaways. On Friday, there will be spirit tastings, complimentary glass engraving, anniversary glassware, an 11-year bourbon special and rum samples. On Saturday, guests can enjoy a country-themed anniversary party with a DJ and line dancing lessons. On Sunday, there will be coffee-themed specials, including free donuts with a purchase of a

cocktail. **4 to 7 p.m. Friday. 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. 9750 Distribution Ave., San Diego. 858-672-3848, cutwaterspirits.com/tasting-room**

**Dinner and a movie:** The Pearl Hotel is hosting a culinary cinema experience with dinner from Cesarina and a showing of the romantic film "Big Night." Cesarina will take over The Pearl Hotel's restaurant and serve a five-course dinner that includes a Caesar salad, timpano, chicken piccata, sgroppino and an ice cream sandwich. Tickets can be purchased at OpenTable. **6:30 p.m. Wednesday. 1410 Rosecrans St., San Diego. \$125. 619-226-6100, thepearlsd.com**

**Spring menu unveiled:** Lazy Dog is introducing new appetizers, entrees and cocktails to its spring menu. Some of the small plate items include cauliflower ceviche and pea hummus. Entrees on the menu are a spinach enchilada casserole, a half-pound ribeye steak burger and loco moco fried rice. New featured cocktails include a cucumber jalapeño margarita, a lemonade spritz with gin and the cowboy colada, which mixes rum, sweet and sour, pineapple

juice and coconut water. **1202 Camino Del Rio North, San Diego. 619-481-6191, lazydogrestaurants.com**

**Breakfast for a cause:** Breakfast Republic's Hillcrest location is donating 100% of Thursday's proceeds to the organization Dining Out for Life. This coincides with the San Diego LGBT Community Center's 19th annual Dining Out For Life San Diego. This fundraiser invites bars and restaurants across the county to donate a portion of sales to HIV/AIDS services and prevention programs. **7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday. 3685 Fifth Ave., San Diego. 619-877-2990, breakfastrepublic.com**

**New taco:** City Taco is unveiling a new taco. The Kraken Taco contains grilled octopus and Spanish chorizo sausage in a tomato, onion and olive sauce. It's garnished with cabbage, avocado and lime aioli. It's served in a cheese-covered crispy corn tortilla. The \$6.25 Kraken Taco is available through April 30. **City Tacos has locations in downtown San Diego's East Village, Encinitas, La Mesa, North Park, Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach and Sorrento Valley. citytacossd.com**

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