

Palo Alto Restaurants

Open when checked 5-30-25

AMERICAN CUISINE

Nola Restaurant and Bar **535 Ramona Street, Palo Alto** **650-328-2722**

<https://www.nolas.com/home/#hours>

Every day is Mardi Gras at Nola's. It is a Cajun style experience. Closed Mondays.

Kirk's Steakburgers **855 El Camino Real, Town and Country Village, Palo Alto**

<https://www.kirks-steakburgers.com/palo-alto-menu>

(650) 326-6159

It's burgers, burgers, burgers. Think single burgers, double burgers, burgers with cheese, burgers with pineapple, burgers with pineapple and cheese. They're called "steakburgers" here, and they do resemble filet mignon more than McDonald's. Western fries and scoop-shop ice cream round out the offerings

CALIFORNIA CUISINE

St. Michael's Alley

140 Homer Ave., Palo Alto

(650) 326-2530

www.stmikes.com

Best of Winner \$\$\$

Bistro Elan

2363 Birch St. Palo Alto

(650) 327-0284

<https://www.bistroelan.com/>

Charming little restaurant crafts its whole world around ingredients, many of which are grown in the lovely back garden. Citrus trees, olive trees, and beds full of herbs, are used in the kitchen. What isn't grown in the back is sourced from the local farmers market.

CHINESE CUISINE

Chef Chu's **1067 N. San Antonio Rd. Los Altos** **(650) -948-2696**
<http://www.chefchu.com/>

Traditional Chinese cuisine in a comfortable setting. The restaurant offers just about any Chinese dish you can think of. \$20-\$25

PF Chang's **900 Stanford Shopping Center Building W** **(650)-330-1782**
<https://www.pfchangs.com/home>

A restaurant known throughout the west coast for endless variety of Chinese cuisine served family style. Trendy and fun. \$25-\$30

FRENCH CUISINE

Left Bank Brasserie **635 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park** **(650) 473-6543**
www.leftbank.com

Best of Winner \$\$\$
French

INDIAN

Amber India **4926 El Camino Real., Los Altos** **(650) -968-75114.**
<http://www.amber-india.com/#/home>

Arguably the best Indian cuisine in the peninsula, with charming décor. \$18 - \$27

Darbar Indian Cuisine **129 Lytton Ave., Palo Alto** **(650) 321-6688**
Best of Winner \$\$\$
<https://darbarpalto.com/>

Passage to India **1100 El Camino Real, Mountain View** **(650) -793-0564**
<https://passagetoindia.net/>

Offers a variety of western cuisines. Although it is primarily an Indian cuisine, they also offer Chinese and Japanese selections. \$25-\$30.

ITALIAN CUISINE

Il Fornaio **520 Cowper Street, Palo Alto, 94301** **(650) -853-3888**

<http://www.ilfornaio.com>

A very popular Italian restaurant. Lovely setting that offers both indoor and outdoor seating. Reservation is suggested. \$25-\$31

Bucca Di Beppo **643 Emerson Street, Palo Alto** **(650) -329-0665**

<https://dineatbuca.com/locations/palo-alto/>

Excellent environment for a group outing. Very fun, family style restaurant with many selections to from. \$10-\$18

Carpaccio **1120 Crane St., Menlo Park** **(650) 322-1211**

<http://www.carpaccios.com/>

Best of Winner \$\$\$

Osteria **247 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto** **(650) 328-5700**

<http://www.osteriatoscanapaloalto.com/>

Best of Winner \$\$\$

Café Pro Bono **2437 Birch St, Palo Alto** **(650) 326-1626**

<http://www.cafeprobono.com/>

A Place for taste conscious people. A wide variety of traditional Italian dishes are offered at a reasonable price with a freshness you can see and taste.

JAPANESE CUISINE

Fuki Sushi **4119 El Camino Real, Palo Alto** **(650)-494-9383**

<http://www.fukisushi.com/>

Sushi and Japanese cuisine. Lovely Japanese décor, relaxing atmosphere.

MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

Naschmarkt **2323 Birch St. Palo Alto, CA 94306** **(650) 561-3202**

<https://naschmarktrestaurants.com/palo-alto-1>

New Austrian Cuisine, Austria's history and geography influence much of its cuisine. Located in the center of Europe, Austria's modern-day cuisine is influenced by surrounding countries like Germany, Hungary, Italy, and even France

Cafe Baklava **341 Castro St Mountain View, CA 94041** **(650) 969-3835**

<https://cafebaklava.online/>

Cafe Baklava's wide selection of wine and foods, the perfect patio combination on a warm evening revealed the variety and freshness of Turkish foods.

Evvia **420 Emerson Street, Palo Alto** **94301 (650) 326-0983**

www.evvia.net

Best of Winner \$\$\$\$ Greek

MEXICAN and SOUTH AMERICAN CUISINE

Celias **3740 El Camino Real, Palo Alto** **650-843-0643**
<http://www.celiasrestaurants.com/>
All Mexican with casual décor. Mexican music to accompany dinner. \$10-\$15

Coupa Cafe **538 Ramona St., Palo Alto,** **(650) 322-6872**
<https://www.coupacafe.com/>
A lively Venezuelan restaurant which combines the best of Venezuelan dishes with the philosophy of promoting the use of organic and fair-trade ingredients.

Reposado **236 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto** **(650) 833-3151**
www.reposadorestant.com
Best of Winner \$\$\$

La Bodeguita del Medio **463 S. California Ave., Palo Alto** **(650) 326-7762**
<http://www.labodeguita.com/>
Enjoy fresh seafood, tender and flavorful meat dishes, specialty cocktails, great wines from around the world, and an extensive selection of fine rums and cigars. Cuban cuisine.

Palo Alto Sol **408 N. California Ave.** **Palo Alto** **(650) 328-8840**
<https://www.solrestaurantsca.com/pa-sol/>
This colorful cantina serves up traditional Puebla cuisine, from chile relleno to enchiladas. Great margaritas and guacamole.

PIZZA

Howie's Artisan Pizza **855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto#60** **(650) 327-4992**
<https://www.howiesartisanpizza.com>
Enjoy appetizers, hand-tossed artisan pizzas, sandwiches, salads and sides, beer and wine. Located across from Stanford University in the Town and Country Village.

Pizza Chicago **23055 El Camino Real,Suite A. Palo Alto** **(650) 382-4922**
<http://pizzachicago.com/>
"Voted #1 Pizza in Santa Clara County" serves the best-tasting Chicago-style pizza around.

Terun **448 California Ave., Palo Alto** **(650) 600-8310**
<http://www.terunpizza.com/>
This California Avenue Italian restaurant/pizzeria comes highly recommended by the locals. Homemade pizza, pasta, southern Italian entrees and pizzas cooked in a wood-fired Neapolitan oven.

STANFORD SHOPPING CENTER RESTAURANTS

Chipotle Mexican Grill **Stanford Shopping Center** **(650) 618-6994**
<http://www.simon.com/mall/stanford-shopping-center/stores/chipotle-mexican-grill>

Chipotle offers a focused menu of burritos, tacos, burrito bowls (a burrito without the tortilla) and salads made from fresh, high-quality raw ingredient.

LOCATION IN MALL: Along El Camino Walk, between Bloomingdale's and Macy's Men's Store

Soups, Sandwiches and Such

Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar **Stanford Shopping Center** **(650) 329-8457**
<http://www.simon.com/mall/stanford-shopping-center/stores/flemings-prime-steakhouse-wine-bar>

Menu features the finest in prime beef, augmented by a tempting variety of chops, seafood, chicken, generous salads, inventive side orders and indulgent desserts.

LOCATION IN MALL: Along El Camino Real, in front of Bloomindale's

STANFORD SHOPPING CENTER RESTAURANTS (CONTINUED)

La Baguette **Stanford Shopping Center** **(650) 321-0535**
<http://www.simon.com/mall/stanford-shopping-center/stores/la-baguette>

A bustling French bakery with outdoor seating where you can enjoy authentic French pastries accompanied by your favorite coffees and teas.

LOCATION IN MALL: In The Pavilion near Macy's

Taro San **Stanford Shopping Center** **(650) 815-2700**
<https://www.simon.com/mall/stanford-shopping-center/stores/taro-san-noodle-bar>

Japanese Noodle Bar

BEST ENTRANCE: Marketplace Entrance facing Sand Hill Rd

LOCATION IN MALL: Marketplace Entrance near Pacific Catch

STEAKHOUSE/SEAFOOD

Sundance **1921 El Camino Real, Palo Alto** **(650) -321-6798**
<http://www.sundancethesteakhouse.com/>

Directions: Left onto El Camino, Restaurant is on your right hand side.

Traditional steakhouse with a relaxed atmosphere, dark lighting, a popular place among the Stanford crowd. \$285-\$30

THE SEA **4269 El Camino Real Palo Alto** **(650) -213-1111**
<http://www.theseausa.com/>

The Sea By Alexander's Steakhouse is the bay area's premier seafood dining destination. Rich sumptuous morsels from the sea, prepared with modern technique and flair. \$25-\$30

THAI/VIETNAMESE /INDONESIAN CUISINE

INDO Restaurant & Lounge 3295 El Camino Real, Palo Alto 650-494-7168
<https://www.indorestaurant.com>
Cozy setting with a smaller portioned dishes. Choice of indoor or outdoor dining. \$
15-\$20

Siam Fine Thai Cuisine 3924 El Camino Real, Palo Alto 650-812-0139
<http://www.siamfinethaicuisine.com/>
Great food, authentic menus, cozy setting, great service \$10-\$30

Tamarine Restaurant 546 University Ave., Palo Alto (650) 325-8500
www.tamarinerestaurant.com
Best of Winner \$\$\$\$
Vietnamese

Thaiphoon 543 Emerson St., Palo Alto (650) 323-7700
<http://thaiphoononline.net/>
Best of Winner \$\$
Thai

VEGETARIAN

Wild Seed 855 E. El Camino Real, Mountain View (408) 781-0112
<https://www.wildseedsf.com/>
Plant based menu of fresh, flavorful and hearty food full of all the ingredients you
need, and none of the ones you don't.

True Food Kitchen 180 El Camino Real Ste 1140, Palo Alto, CA 94304 (650) 272-5157
<https://www.truefoodkitchen.com/locations/paloalto/>
Relaxed, eco-chic chain serving health-conscious fare, including vegan options, plus
cocktails.