

RECOMMENDED RESTAURANTS IN THE AREA

Cantinetta Luca

Dolores Street between Ocean and 7th Carmel, CA
831.625.6500

Hours of Operation

Bar: Opens Daily at 12:00 - Bar Menu served until closing.

Restaurant: Opens Daily at 12:00 noon. Lunch served from 12 - 2:30 pm.

Dinner served Sunday - Thursday from 5:00 - 9:30 pm, Friday and Saturday until 10 pm
Luca is more casual and contemporary; however some menu items are similar to Peppoli, so please ensure they have been to Peppoli first. Guest's may be disappointed with two very similar dining experiences. Luca gives diners the opportunity to watch chefs in action because the restaurant and bar were designed around an open kitchen with the stove centered as an island, accessible to chefs from all four sides. Cantinetta Luca also has a glassed-in meat aging room where its house made salumis are dried and cured

Little Napoli

Dolores Street, near 7th Carmel, CA
831.626.6335

Hours of Operation

Lunch: 11:30 am-4:00 pm

Dinner: 4:00pm-9:00 pm (for reservations, however they typically take walk-ins until 10:00 pm)

Reservations are not taken for lunch unless it is for a party of 6 or more.

Carmel's Little Napoli offers Italian country cooking. Known by locals as "Carmel's little Italy," Little Napoli offers antipasti, regional country-style pastas, cannelloni, osso bucco, risotto, crisp-cruste pizzas, local Monterey Bay seafood, and traditional Italian homemade desserts.

da'Giovanni's

Lincoln and 6th Street, Carmel CA
831.626.5800

Hours of Operation

Dinner: 5:00 pm-10:00 pm

da'Giovanni restaurant is one of Carmel's hidden gems. Nestled among the pines, da Giovanni serves Italian and Mediterranean food with views of the ocean and beautiful Carmel sunsets. The menu features beef carpaccio, fresh seafood, house-made pastas, and an extensive wine list to match.

Flying Fish

Mission St (inside the Carmel Plaza) Carmel CA
831.625.1962

Hours of Operation

Dinner: 5:00 pm-9:00 pm, open until 9:30 pm on weekends

Asian Fusion. Flying Fish Grill is an intimate seafood grill that fuses Japanese, Asian and California influences. Flying Fish Grill house favorites include a savory, rare peppered ahi, blackened and

served with mustard and sesame-soy vinaigrette and angel-hair pasta, and a pan-fried almond sea bass with whipped potatoes, Chinese cabbage, and rock shrimp stir-fry.

L'Auberge

Monte Verde St. between Ocean & 7th, Carmel, CA
831.624.8578

Hours of Operation

Dinner: 6:00 pm-9:00pm. Closed Monday and Tuesday

L'Auberge is a highly-acclaimed, remarkable restaurant. Preparations are made fresh from the garden and farm contemporary California cuisine with European influences, offering a dining experience akin to a Michelin starred restaurant. The 12-table restaurant features an underground wine cellar that was constructed beneath the inn's courtyard to house the restaurant's 4,500 bottle collection. The wine list features great wines from around the world but especially wines from Monterey County, California and France.

Casanova

5th Street between Mission and San Carlos
831.625.0501

Hours of Operation

Dinner 5:00 to 10:00

Lunch 11:30 to 3:00

Echoes the South of France & Northern Italy in the center of Carmel, California. The hand dug [wine cellar](#) has received numerous awards for its outstanding selection of wines from all over the world. Casanova has been and continues to be a trend setter in Carmel. Casanova had the first real cappuccinos, lattes and espressos in the area. Casanova introduced flavored dipping oil for bread to the California restaurant scene back in the 1980's. It has now become standard in Italian restaurants in the US. Casanova has influenced not only numerous other restaurants but also the look of many private houses in Carmel.

Forge in the Forest

SW Corner of 5th & Junipero, Carmel, CA
831.624.2233

Hours of Operation

Open Daily from 11:30 am

Sunday - Thursday: until 9:00 pm*

Friday & Saturday: until 10:00 pm*

Sunday Brunch: 11 am - 2:30 pm

* open later during summer

From the brick and stone fire pits, lush gardens and redwood tables on the outdoor patios, to the casual comfort of the copper walled Forge Saloon to the white linen elegance of the Oak Tree Room, there is an atmosphere perfect for everyone at The Forge.

The Forge in the Forest Restaurant has been a part of Carmel's history since 1944. They offer an extensive menu of American cuisine. Join the Forge and become part of a tradition of gathering at the Forge for drinks and conversation that started years ago with legendary artists and writers such as Henry Miller, John Steinbeck and Francis Whitaker.

Fandango's

223 17th Street, Pacific Grove, CA
831.372.3456

Hours of Operation

Monday - Saturday

11:30 am - 2:30 pm Lunch

5:00 pm - 9:30 pm Dinner

Sunday

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Brunch

5:00 pm - 9:30 pm Dinner

Featuring Mediterranean & European Style cuisine. Enjoy fresh seafood, Black Angus steak, and Fandango's famous rack of lamb...all on our wood burning grill. In addition to hearty pastas, paella, lamb shank, osso bucco, and boullabaisse.

Passionfish

701 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA
831.655.3311

Hours of Operation

Dinner Nightly 5:00 pm till close

Passionfish offers a unique California dining experience with serious food and wine in a fun and casual atmosphere. The ever changing menu offers the freshest sustainable seafood, slow cooked meats, farm fresh organic greens, and delectable house-made desserts, complemented with a Wine Spectator award winning wine list, priced well below what you might expect.

John Pisto's Whaling Station

Prime Steaks and Seafood

763 Wave Street, Monterey CA
831.373.3778

Hours of Operation

Dinner Nightly from 5:00 pm

The restaurant decor now reflects a more casual, yet sophisticated dining experience featuring the County's finest selection of USDA Prime beef and fresh seafood as well as specialties created by the celebrity chef himself. Located in a historic building, perched above famed Cannery Row, this totally fresh dining experience will bring you back again and again.