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## San Diego, here are 4 new brunch menus worth waiting in line for



One of the dishes offered on the new brunch menu at Amici's Ristobar is the avocado toast with eggs. The recently-rebranded restaurant also serves Bellinis, mimosas and bloody Marys. (Jim Sullivan photo)

There are two things San Diegans will line up for on the weekends: beach parking and brunch. But with the way brunch menus are proliferating around town, mimosas are clearly shining brighter than the midday sun. Here's a sampling:

# STK

The just-opened luxe steakhouse STK recently launched [weekend day-drinking-and-eating](#), featuring the playful Captain Crunch French Toast (with tart cherry compote, bourbon maple syrup and Tahitian vanilla whipped cream) and Cold Brewchata (with Rumchata, Bailey's Irish Cream, topped with espresso). *11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. STK, at the Andaz San Diego, 600 F St., downtown San Diego. (619) 354-5988. [togrp.com/venue/stk-san-diego](http://togrp.com/venue/stk-san-diego)*



The new brunch menu at Amici's Ristobar in Carmel Valley includes (clockwise from top) egg-topped avocado toast, the Dolce Benedict with smoked salmon and brunch pizza. (Jim Sullivan photo)

## Amici's Ristobar

The newly rebranded Amici's Ristobar also recently began serving [brunch](#) items such as berry-brioche French toast, brunch pizza and egg-topped avocado toast.

The Dolce Benedict has either prosciutto or smoked salmon, with spinach, ricotta, poached egg and hollandaise. *10 a.m to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sundays. Amici's Ristobar, Pacific Highlands Ranch, 5980 Village Way, Carmel Valley. (858) 847-2740. [amicisristobar.com](http://amicisristobar.com)*



Brunch at Herb & Wood includes a blood orange fennel mimosa from "cocktail curator" Meghan Balsler. Treats are from executive pastry chef Adrian Mendoza. (Eduardo Contreras / San Diego Union-Tribune)

## Herb & Wood

A few months back, Brian Malarkey's acclaimed Herb & Wood added brunch, with [elevated dishes](#) like the Dutch Baby Soufflé Pancakes with huckleberries, lemon curd and vanilla Chantilly, and Hamachi Croque Madam with brioche, sunny side-up quail eggs and preserved lemon beurre blanc. *10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays. Herb & Wood, 2210 Kettner Blvd., Little Italy. (619) 955-8495. [herbandwood.com](http://herbandwood.com)*





Too decadent for a Tuesday? Hardly. Brunch — including Nutella French toast — is served seven days a week at the famously pet-friendly Patio on Lamont, in Pacific Beach. (Courtesy photo)

## Patio on Lamont

And if you don't want to compete with the weekend crowds at P.B.'s Patio on Lamont, the restaurant also serves a full brunch [menu](#) (chilaquiles! Nutella French toast!) throughout the week, Monday through Friday, minus just the bottomless mimosas. Your weekends are now officially free to spend at the beach. *9 a.m. to 3 p.m., seven days a week. The Patio on Lamont, 4445 Lamont St., Pacific Beach. (858) 412- 4648 [www.thepatioonlamont.com](http://www.thepatioonlamont.com)*