



Romantic Getaways

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Savor the Good Life at Morton's

A dozen long-stem red roses. Her favorite perfume or a sparkly string of diamonds. And a heart-shaped box of Belgian chocolates.

All of it is prelude to your romantic dinner at Morton's The Steakhouse. The true blessing of Valentine's Day is to spend a moment of quiet reflection with the love of your life. And Morton's is here to make your moment special.

Succulent prime-aged steak. Award-winning fine wines selected by experts. Ocean-fresh seafood. Luscious cocktails paired with the best food you've ever tasted.

There's no mistaking it, this is the good life – sumptuous and romantic.

Morton's first became a must-do for romance in 1978 when the steakhouse opened its doors on Chicago's State Street. Soon, the day's biggest celebrities were having romantic dinners in Morton's secluded booths – Ol' Blue Eyes himself, Frank Sinatra, was a legendary Morton's fan!

Morton's is dedicated to the pursuit of unparalleled service and sophisticated dining

options. In Southern California, guests can enjoy succulent USDA prime-aged beef, including our juicy double porterhouse, signature New York strip, double cut filet mignon and Chicago-style rib eye.

Although Morton's made its name with steak, there are plenty of other delicious options on the menu, like double rib lamb chops and the restaurant's famed Chicken Christopher.

And there's seafood that will make a splash with your valentine, including colossal Shrimp Alexander, whole baked Maine lobster and Alaskan king crab legs.

Morton's can also point you to a selection from an awe-inspiring wine list – complement your entrée with a flawless chardonnay or a cabernet with panache.

Or show your passion with a lively libation from Bar 12-21, including Morton's signature Martinis – from the Heavenly Cosmopolitan, blending Ketel One Citroen with

Grand Marnier and fruit juices, to the Heavenly Strawberry Mint Margarita, made with premium Cuervo Gold tequila and Cointreau. What makes these drinks so divine? They're all

topped with Morton's Heavenly Raspberry & Chambord foam, a passion fruit-infused swirl of paradise.

The perfect ending to a fantastic evening with your sweetheart can be found on Morton's dessert menu, filled with sumptuous treats like hot upside-down apple pie,



Where Waterfront Dining Awaits

The award-winning First Cabin Restaurant reigns as one of Orange County's dining treasures. Enjoy innovative cuisine, including steak and seafood. Inspired by Chef Josef Lageder, his culinary staff uses the season's freshest ingredients paired with an exceptional wine list recognized by *Wine Spectator* magazine. The Balboa Bay Club & Resort...where waterfront dining, dancing and fun awaits.

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Morton's famous hot chocolate cake

New York cheesecake and a legendary, applause-worthy hot chocolate cake that oozes molten cocoa.

Savor the taste of Morton's in the elegantly appointed dining room, or celebrate your love in private. Morton's seasoned staff will ensure your evening is seamless from start to finish and make certain that no detail is overlooked. Just give the word and they'll be happy to fill a boardroom with fresh flowers, coordinate valet service and arrange an audio-visual package if you'd like to show your love with a technological flare.

An atmosphere marked by refinement and sophistication, service that is truly gracious and memorable cuisine – all perfect elements that will make romantic Valentine's Day dining at Morton's in a cherished tradition.

Morton's in Anaheim is located at 1895 South Harbor Blvd., near the Anaheim Convention Center, Disneyland and California Adventure Park. The restaurant serves dinner 7 nights a week. Call 714-621-0101 for reservations.

Morton's in Santa Ana is located at 1641 W. Sunflower Ave. in South Coast Village Plaza. The restaurant serves lunch and dinner 7 days a week. Call 714-444-4834 for reservations.

Visit Morton's other Southern California locations located in Beverly Hills, Burbank, Los Angeles, Palm Desert, San Diego and Woodland Hills. For more information, visit www.mortons.com.

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Duke's Place



The Grand Ballroom



The First Cabin Restaurant

The Balboa Bay Club & Resort

The legendary Balboa Bay Club & Resort maintains its position as one of Southern California's premier resorts and is Newport of leisure travelers, corporate executives and business meetings varying in size. It also features a luxurious spa complete with nine treatment rooms and a fabulous menu of massages, treatments and activities.

Accommodation

The resort offers 132 elegant guest rooms, averaging 500 square feet in size, each featuring a balcony or patio in addition to luxurious pillow-top mattress beds, crisp duvets and the highest quality bedding. The oversized marble and granite bathrooms offer twin sinks, a separate shower and deep soak tubs, as well the best in toiletry amenities. Comfortable robes and slippers are included for your enjoyment.

Meeting Space

The beautiful 6,900-square-foot Grand Ballroom is the perfect venue for elegant social events as well as for business meetings.

In addition, there are 11 smaller rooms that are perfect for more intimate activities. All meeting facilities, as well as guest rooms, have wireless Internet capabilities; additionally, professional AV experts are available to handle your needs.

Dining

The First Cabin Restaurant, with its waterfront setting, is ideal for delightful dining while watching yachts of every size gliding by on shimmering waters. In the evening, Duke's Place, named for the famous John Wayne (who was a long-standing member and governor of The Club) offers nightly live entertainment and dancing. You can also enjoy a refreshing drink on the patio as you watch a magnificent setting sun.

Once you've been to The Balboa Bay Club & Resort you'll understand why there's nothing like it, and why it's both the perfect meeting spot and leisure getaway along the California Riviera.

For reservations or group sales, please call 949.645.5000 or visit www.balboabayclub.com.

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Code Restaurant and Lounge Steps up OC Nightlife with \$5,000 Dance Competition

New TV-Inspired contest promises exciting showcase for OC's top dancers

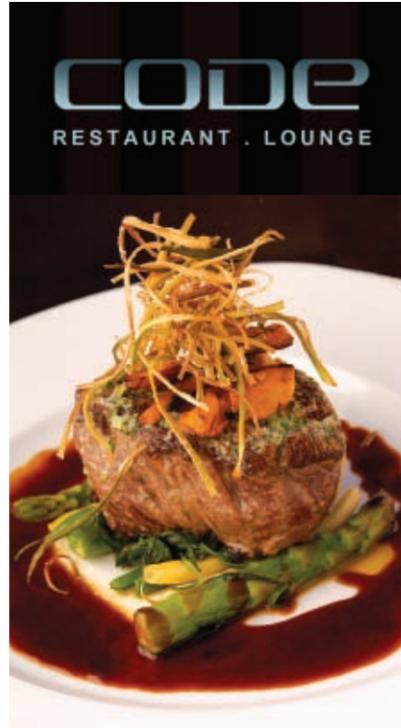
Newport Beach's newest hotspot, **CODE Restaurant and Lounge**, announced today a new TV-inspired dance contest beginning in March with a Top Prize of up to \$5,000. Running every Wednesday for 10 weeks, "**Do you Think You Can Dance**" features 10 new acts a week, and will be hosted by a comedian for a fun-filled evening. Packed with both variety and entertainment, the contest is open to any type of dance; from ballroom and hip hop to jazz and contemporary. Contestants will be judged for the entertainment value, presentation and style, and celebrity judges will be on hand for the Grand Finale.

Designed to entertain you while you dine, **CODE** brings the Supper Club back to Orange County with a whole new twist. The dining tables are elevated overlooking the main dance floor with an extraordinary electric bar at the rear of the venue. Moe, Ghazi, owner of **CODE** is no stranger to combining dining with entertainment. Previous venues include Mosun, Ten Asian Bistro and Tentation.

"With the enormous popularity of dance shows today, it's the perfect time to bring some of that excitement to the people of Orange County," said Samantha Pilek, Director of Marketing and Special Events for **CODE**. "They've fueled a huge upswing in the number of people taking dance lessons, so this contest is the perfect venue for them to show off their new moves!"

CODE hopes to bring in a big dinner crowd to sit and watch the show and enjoy an eclectic global menu featuring Spanish, Asian, Italian and American food – something for everyone. **CODE** also runs a great Happy Hour with half price drink prices and Hors d'oeuvres.

For more information about **CODE Restaurant** or to make reservations, please call 949.660.0888 or visit www.coderestaurant.com.



Enjoy global cuisine in an upscale atmosphere at **CODE**



Canaletto Ristorante Veneto, Newport Beach

Canaletto Ristorante Veneto, located in Newport Beach's renowned Fashion Island, offers guests the most authentic, complete Venetian dining experience in the country. Canaletto's sophisticated, welcoming Italian ambiance is highlighted by gracious and abundant hospitality, five-star service at every table and a diverse menu with choices for every taste.

Executive Chef Maurizio Mazzon has recreated the authentic foods from his Veneto, Italy homeland through signature dishes starting with classic Venetian breads served with extra-virgin olive oil and balsamic vinegar, fresh seafood, expertly prepared rotisserie and grilled meats, along with poultry and game specialties. *Salumi* cured meats, sliced using a Berkel gravity feed slicer to ensure the meat's flavor isn't changed through the slicing process (electric slicers can warm the meat during slicing) are available at an on-site Italian *Mercato* along with fresh oysters and shrimp, as well as seafood sourced for the restaurant's specialty dishes. Guests will enjoy the extensive menu of risottos prepared to order Venetian-style, housemade and imported pastas, authentic thin-crust Italian pizzas from a wood-burning oven, Italian salads and soups, seasonal *antipasti*, and a wide variety of regional desserts made on-site.

Canaletto's namesake is the famous 17th century Venetian artist Giovanni Antonio Canal, known for his large scale cityscapes of Venice. Echoing the painter's style, Canaletto's architecture was inspired by the great restaurants of Venice. The multiple-room interior is designed to comfortably fill the third place in guests' lives, between home and work, a place for a celebratory meal or an after-work drink.

Canaletto's menu, combined with its distinctive wine list sourcing great labels from the same region of Italy, results in a truly authentic Venetian-inspired dining experience for guests at lunch or dinner. Canaletto's expert staff makes guests feel immediately welcome and eager for their return to Canaletto's Italian hospitality.

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Transport Your Events to Italy at Il Fornaio

When you are searching for the ultimate Italian dining experience, step inside Il Fornaio in Irvine and take a culinary journey through Italy. Early mornings bring rustic, crisp crusted bread hot from the oven accompanied by the scent of fresh-brewed espresso. During lunch and dinner hours, pastas and flavorful sauces simmer while meats and vegetables roast over hot coals. Bottles of wine from small, regional wineries are uncorked to complement the dishes, which have been crafted in the custom of Italy's chefs, bakers and homemakers.

The authentic food, bread and wine will transcend you to Italy and the beautiful private dining room space will create the ultimate event experience for you and your guests. Ask to speak with the on-site event coordinator when planning your next business meeting, family gathering, rehearsal dinner or wedding.

Enjoy happy hour daily with complimentary antipasti or hold a bocce ball tournament / happy hour with friends or colleagues using Il Fornaio's very own bocce ball court.

Festa Regionale celebrates regional selections

Il Fornaio aspires to bring its guests closer to Italy with each visit to the restaurant. In addition to the core menu, Il Fornaio features a different region of Italy each month as part of its *Festa Regionale* celebration. Dine from this special regional menu and receive a monthly stamp on the *Passaporto* and a reward: a complimentary loaf of fresh baked Il Fornaio bread, or Il Fornaio's specially pressed olive oil, for example. At the end of six consecutive stamped months, *Passaporto* holders receive a hand-painted authentic Italian ceramic plate and will be entered for a chance to win the ultimate Italian experience: a trip for two to Italy.

Il Fornaio is located at 18051 Von Karman Avenue in Irvine. For reservations, please call (949) 261-1444 or learn more about Il Fornaio at www.ilfornaio.com.



Enjoy authentic cuisine paired with regional wines at Il Fornaio



The Hyatt's Red Chair Lounge

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Located along the beautiful coastline of the renowned Surf City USA®, the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa offers guests an array of extraordinary seasonal activities and premium amenities in a gorgeous seaside setting. Overlooking the sun-drenched shores of the Pacific Ocean, this Andalusian styled oasis is a destination of choice for lovers of surf, sand, and sun. Whether it's hanging ten on a surfboard, indulging in a relaxing spa treatment, or rising early for a sunrise walk on the beach, Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa is the ideal escape for anyone and everyone.

Featuring 517 luxurious guestrooms, including 57 suites, the resort offers first-class accommodations and services. Take in the Southern California fun in the sun at the Adventure Hyatt store, Toes on the Nose, or experience an array of indulging surf inspired treatment options in one of 17 treatment rooms at Pacific Waters Spa. Special love themed packages will be available during the month of February in addition to our extensive selection of spa treatments and signature Thalasso Seawater Bath, which replenishes through a warm bathing process that utilizes fresh seawater to revitalize the body's essential elements and mineral salts.

For wine and culinary aficionados, the AAA Four Diamond The Californian pairs extraordinary California wines with exceptional cuisine that utilizes only the freshest locally grown ingredients, with produce gathered from farmers' markets and seafood delivered straight from the Pacific Ocean. Guests desiring a more laid back experience can enjoy the evening al fresco, dining on the outdoor patio amid the sparkling fountains, majestic palm trees and soothing sounds of the ocean. Enjoy a special romance-inspired menu on February 14 set against the soft tones of a strolling violinist.

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