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New American cuisine comes to life at Bayside

Creative Cuisine, Exceptional Venues, On or Off Site Catering from Dining As Art Collection

The Dining As Art Collection is comprised of Bistango, Bayside and Kimera restaurants, Dining As Art Catering Company and our exclusive online Boutique. Each offers a unique, culturally enriching experience that celebrates the enjoyment of food, wine, music, art and architecture.

Events and catering

Bayside, Bistango and Kimera provide elegant venues for many special occasions. Dining as Art Catering Company has earned a reputation for creative cuisine, flawless event execution and unparalleled customer service. Whether you are hosting a wedding, business engagement, social gathering, fundraiser or gala, our experienced staff of consultants will assist you throughout the planning process for your on or off-site catering event.

Dining As Art Catering can coordinate all aspects of event planning:

- Custom menu planning
- Full bar service
- Specialty china & flatware
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- Specially ordered tables/chairs
- Lighting
- Tent rentals
- Entertainment: live bands, DJs, dance floors
- Party themes
- Floral arrangements
- Wedding cakes

For additional information, please visit www.bistango.com, www.kimerarestaurant.com, www.baysiderestaurant.com and www.diningasart.com.



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 Veneto-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 Veneto-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.

For reservations, please call (949) 640-0900 or visit www.ilfornaio.com/canaletto.



Welcome to Flight Bistro & Social Lounge

Located on the corner of
Adams Avenue and Beach Blvd
8082 Adams Ave., Huntington Beach, CA 92646

Visit www.flightoc.com
Reservations are recommended,
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VENUE AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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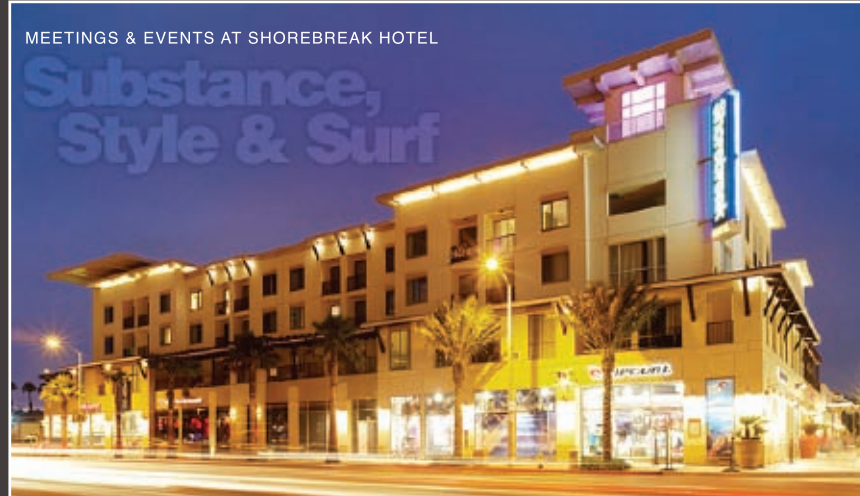
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- main dining & lounge areas: 150 seated, 260 standing
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Whatever your special occasion may be, we look forward to working with you. For additional information and booking, contact **Cristina Barbatti**:
714.374.8300 or cristina@flightoc.com

Shorebreak HOTEL

MEETINGS & EVENTS AT SHOREBREAK HOTEL

Substance,
Style & Surf



From executive retreats to corporate sales meetings, Shorebreak Hotel is a superb choice for meetings and events. Beautiful surroundings and an experienced support staff make any banquet, meeting or seminar an unforgettable experience. Our extensive facilities include 8,000 square feet of total function space including a versatile

3000 square foot ballroom. Additional amenities include an interior courtyard terrace with outdoor fire pits and *Zimzala*, our signature restaurant and bar.

Ask about our Joy of Meetings program

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Holiday Party Planning is Underway!

Perfection in Holiday Parties is achieved at **The Balboa Bay Club & Resort**. The setting is casually elegant, and the waterfront location is a coveted address for any holiday celebration or family affair. Just days after Thanksgiving, The Resort is transformed into a wonderland of red and gold décor and sparkling white lights. A 200-pound gingerbread house creates a festive element of surprise in the main lobby.

The Resort has an assortment of beautiful event rooms to create a memorable holiday parties for business associates, staff, family, or even to thank your customers. The First Cabin Restaurant has a private dining room with seating for 14, with a bay front view and terrace. And from small intimate dinners to large events, BBC&R has a space for your holiday celebration. In addition to intimate dinners, The Resort hosts medium-sized parties and large-scale events in the ballroom, which seats up to 450 guests for dinner or 1,000 for cocktail receptions. And the creative Event Staff at the BBC&R will make the planning of your event an easy one. Call today and let them help you create an extraordinary holiday celebration.

The Resort will also have many events of its own during the holiday season, including: The Resort Lighting, Holiday Concert, Boat Parade, Holiday Dinners and a New Year's Eve celebration. It also will offer holiday guestroom packages, spa gift certificates, and so much more. Please visit balboabayclub.com or call (949) 645-5000 for all the details.

Oktoberfest is almost here . . .

Oktoberfest begins Thursday, October 1st and runs for the entire month of October in The First Cabin Restaurant here at The Balboa Bay Club & Resort – and yes, it is



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open to the public! This year's special menu will be served during lunch and dinner service, and features authentic German and Bavarian specialties with many ingredients and beers flown in just for the month-long celebration. Austrian Chef Josef Lageder and his



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international culinary team will bring Oktoberfest to life. Starters will include marinated herring, celery root salad and *lisen suppe* (lentil soup with apple wood smoked bacon and sliced Wurstchen). Main courses include a selection of entrée favorites, such as paprika goulash (braised beef & home-made spaetzle), *wienerschnitzel* (center cut breaded veal loin served with potato and cucumber salad), *rindsroulade* (braised beef roulade filled with pickles and vegetables), Bavarian bratwurst or *wienerle* and *gebratene schweinshaxen* (slow roasted pork shank with bread dumplings, red cabbage and caraway jus) among others. Desserts will include favorites such as *apfelstrudel* a la mode (warm apple strudel with vanilla bean ice cream). And to complement this delicious meal, three freshly imported beers—Paulaner Old Munich Bier, Aktien Oktoberfest and Edel Biers will proudly be served. A complete menu can be found on balboabayclub.com.

For reservations, call (949) 630-4145.



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Outstanding Amenities & Impeccable Service at Oceanfront Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa

Designed in a style reminiscent of an Andalusian village, Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa features the largest collection of indoor and outdoor function space on the California coast, specifically designed with the event planner in mind. Planners select from three ocean view ballrooms including the 20,000-square-foot Grand Ballroom, a 10,700-square-foot Mariner's Ballroom and 25 smaller meeting facilities, which include three well-appointed executive boardrooms. For outdoor functions ranging from weddings, receptions and other special events, the property is home to six open-air courtyards with lush gardens, water features and unobstructed ocean views.

Extensive dining options

On site are three restaurants, a cocktail lounge, Regency Club, two poolside cafes, and 24-hour room service. The Californian serves contemporary California cuisine and a vast collection of high-brand and boutique California wines. The only restaurant in Huntington Beach to be awarded the prestigious AAA Four Diamond Award, the restaurant offers indoor and outdoor seating, and several private dining rooms including a distinguished mahogany Chef's Table in the Patrón Room for a more exclusive dining experience. Additional dining options include Pete's Sunset Grille, Tower 15 Pizzeria, Mankota's Grill, and The Red Chair Lounge.

Gateway to the beach and more

The Village is an eclectic mix of shopping experiences including Surf City Grocers, The Gallery HB, Toes on the Nose and The Surf City Trading Company.

The resort offers guests an opportunity to take advantage of the Pacific Ocean with convenient beach access via the property's pedestrian bridge, serving as a gateway to more than eight miles of white sandy beaches. Opening this spring, Slyders, a new \$4 million family pool, will provide 3 water slides, two fire pits, Shubees Cafe, children's wading pool, and a hot tub. This activity pool will be the first of its kind along the multiple beaches of coastal Orange County.

For more information or reservations, call 714.698.1234 or visit huntingtonbeach.hyatt.com.



The lighthouse courtyard overlooking the Pacific Ocean at Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa.



Inspired by the villas of the Tuscan countryside, Prego Ristorante offers the perfect setting for private entertaining. Modern Northern Italian cuisine and moderate prices have made Prego a culinary destination for nearly a decade.

Adding a splash of Mediterranean color to Orange County, our spectacular free-standing Tuscan villa blends the warmth and rustic charm of old-world Italy with the electricity and vibrancy of a cosmopolitan restaurant. Streamlined arches and columns, gleaming copper, polished hardwood floors and an abundance of cherry wood-framed windows give the interior an elegant yet inviting feel.

Ugo Allesina, the Executive Chef for Prego Ristorante, brings more than 20 years of experience to his position. Born and raised in the region of Piemonte, Italy, he has worked for a number of prestigious hotels and restaurants in Italy, Germany and the United States, enabling him to develop his outstanding skills as a premier chef in Northern Italian cuisine.

In 1990, Chef Allesina was brought to the US by the owners of Ristorante Mezzaluna, a well-known upper-class Italian restaurant in Manhattan. He was made Executive Chef at the then-new Mezzaluna restaurant in Corona Del Mar, California and stayed there six years, and then joined Ristorante Il Fornaio, working in their Manhattan Beach, Beverly Hills and Santa Monica locations before joining Prego in Irvine.

To accommodate your function, Prego offers five unique venues:

• La Panetteria - The Bakery

An intimate, private dining area perfect for elegant meals. Accessible to our front patio where guests can enjoy cocktails under the stars. The Bakery seats 16.

• Il Patio - The Patio

Ideal for festive alfresco events. The Patio is enclosed by a wall of hedges and colorful umbrellas provide shade on warm afternoons. The Patio accommodates groups of 60 seated or 80 for cocktails.

• Il Solario - The Garden Room

Adjacent to the main dining room, the bright, airy Garden Room opens onto our back terrace. The Garden Room seats 42 and combined with the Terrace it seats 120.

• La Terrazza - The Terrace

Dotted with cozy corners for guests to mingle, The Terrace offers an intimate alfresco setting. The Terrace seats 60 for dinner, or 80 for cocktails.

• Il Ristorante - The Restaurant

Prego's bustling exhibition kitchen will enhance your event with its energy and color. The Entire restaurant is available Saturdays and Sundays and can accommodate up to 280 guests.

Prego can provide everything you need to make your meeting or event a success. Extra material and services available include: A/V equipment, wedding ceremony setup, podiums, internet access, projector screens, flowers, music, decorations, entertainment, party favors, wedding cake, a wedding coordinator, etc. To discuss the details of your event, please contact our Event Coordinator Carmen Espinosa: carmen.prego@pacbell.net.

So Prego! Come join us for an Excellent Italian Dining Experience!

Prego is open for lunch and dinner. Hours are Mon-Sat 11:00am - 10:00pm and Sunday 11:00am - 9:00pm.

Prego is located 18420 Von Karman in Irvine, at Von Karman and Michelson. Call (949) 553-1333 or visit www.pregoristoranti.com for more information.

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Shorebreak Hotel

The ultimate Southern California beach experience with a contemporary twist

Shorebreak Hotel in Huntington Beach combines the relaxed, sun-drenched spirit of the Orange County coastline with an edgy modern feel. The only hotel located near the iconic intersection of Main Street and Pacific Coast Highway in downtown Huntington Beach, Shorebreak places you at the center of eclectic shopping, dining, and entertainment . . . all within earshot of crashing ocean waves. Undoubtedly, this truly is a singular Huntington Beach hotel experience.

Shorebreak Hotel draws its inspiration from Southern California's cultivated, yet laid-back surf culture, combining four-star touches with a penchant for fun. Hotel highlights include guestrooms with spellbinding ocean views, exquisite furnishings, versatile event and meeting spaces, romantic fire pits and ready access to a variety of exciting recreational activities. Shorebreak's Zimzala Restaurant and Bar is a popular Huntington Beach attraction for locals and visitors, featuring coastal Mediterranean cuisine with an emphasis on fresh seafood, surf-inspired décor, and free-spirited good times

Top reasons to stay at shorebreak hotel

- Conveniently located at the center of eclectic shopping, dining and entertainment
- Newly built modern Huntington Beach hotel with 4-star touches
- Huntington Beach's only lifestyle hotel situated along the waterfront
- Pet friendly hotel located a mile away from Dog Beach
- Located on premises, Zimzala Restaurant and Bar offers coastal Mediterranean cuisine

Location

Shorebreak Hotel is located just off the beach where the Pacific Coast Highway meets the Huntington Beach Pier. Located in a new



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Discover Zimzala Restaurant & Bar

Casual vibe, serious food

Located across from the beach in Surf City USA, Zimzala is a Huntington Beach restaurant featuring authentic coastal Mediterranean cuisine, handcrafted cocktails, a hip and stylish décor and a youthful energetic vibe.

Zimzala restaurant is located on the second level of The Strand in downtown Huntington Beach, adjacent to the new Shorebreak Hotel.

Zimzala features a bar, "living room" lounge, semi-exhibition kitchen, dining room, private dining room and outdoor patio spaces. The cool and comfortable space was created by noted design firm De Lisle, Philpotts & Staub Interiors.

The lounge is the perfect place to relax with friends and enjoy handcrafted cocktails and lighter fare over tales of the day's beach and surfing adventures. The main dining room enjoys a glimpse of the semi-exhibition kitchen which produces healthful and exotic renditions of Mediterranean coastal cuisine. Communal sharing is strongly encouraged by our enthusiastic servers!

After dinner, enjoy our at-the-table "Mediterranean honor bar" with a selection of unique liqueurs and spirits. For perfect private events with style, enjoy Zimzala's private dining room complete with a stone fireplace and adjacent outdoor patio.



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development known as "The Strand," Shorebreak Hotel is the first full-service luxury hotel on the waterfront in Huntington Beach and the only hotel in downtown Huntington Beach. This ideal location is well suited both to business and leisure travelers.

Joie de Vivre Gives

Joie de Vivre Hotels is a grass roots organization that strives to have a positive impact on our community. Each of our hotels is dedicated to donating at a minimum \$200 per guest room per year to organizations in their communities. Examples of these donations include gift certificates for hotel stays or dinner for two at one of our restaurants, donating meeting space and food to a non-profit for fundraising events or meetings, organizing an event to raise money for an organization, donating employee hours for time volunteered, or cash donations.

As part of our philanthropic efforts at Shorebreak Hotel, we have partnered with Surfrider Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of our world's oceans, waves and beaches.

Shorebreak Hotel is located at 500 Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach. For reservations, please call 1.877.744.1117. Visit jdvhoteles.com/hotels/orangecounty/shorebreak for more information.

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Dessert, choice of:

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- Profiteroles with Vanilla Ice Cream & Chocolate Sauce



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Enjoy authentic cuisine paired with regional wines at Il Fornaio

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.

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BISTRO & SOCIAL LOUNGE



NEW BUSINESS OUTLOOK...

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Situated across from eight miles of spectacular beaches with panoramic ocean views, the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa is a must book venue. The resort features over 100,000 square feet of combined function space, stunning ocean view ballrooms, and state-of-the-art technology with on-site support. Easily accessible from three major airports, enjoy luxurious accommodations, Four Diamond dining, and the 20,000 square foot Pacific Waters Spa. Feel the Hyatt Touch® For reservations, call 714 698 1234 or visit huntingtonbeach.hyatt.com



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