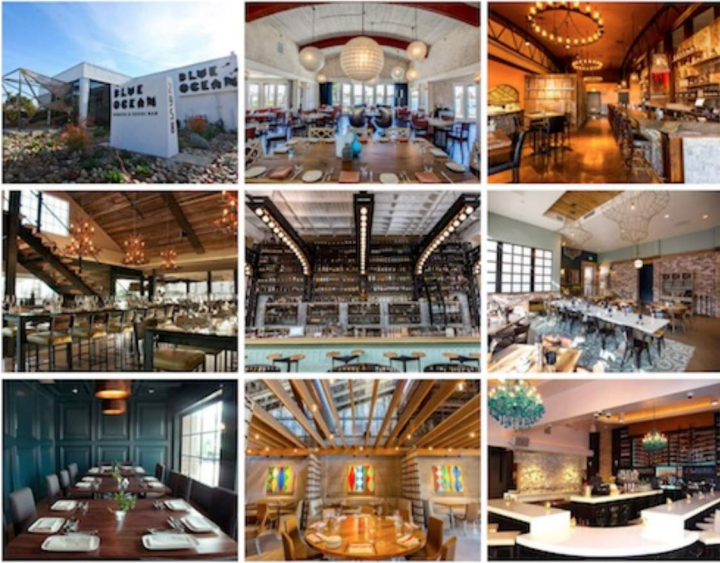


Where To Eat Right NOW; Updating The Eater Heatmap

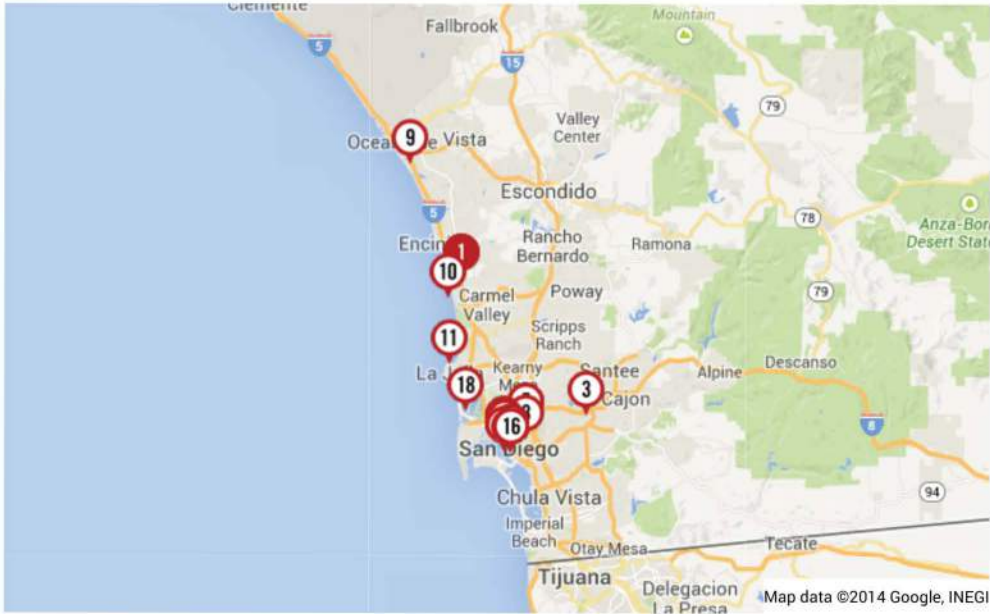
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More often than not, tipsters, readers, friends and family of Eater have just one question: **Where should I eat right now?** Restaurant obsessives want to know what's new, what's hot and what to try. And while the [Eater 38 <http://sandiego.eater.com/archives/2014/04/08/Updating-the-38-essential-san-diego-restaurants-april-14.php>](http://sandiego.eater.com/archives/2014/04/08/Updating-the-38-essential-san-diego-restaurants-april-14.php) is a great resource that covers old standbys and neighborhood essentials across the city, it's not a chronicle of the 'it' places of the moment.

Thus, we offer the **Eater Heatmap**, which will change continually to highlight the latest openings that are generating serious buzz. Let's see who made the list in the latest Heatmap update.

Know of a brand new restaurant with a good amount of heat that should be added to the list? [Send us a tip!](#)



Eater San Diego Heatmap, May '14



Sea & Smoke

Matt Gordon's third restaurant, a stylish and sprawling showpiece in Del Mar, is getting good marks for its wood fired oven-powered all-day menu. Don't miss the shell-baked Diver scallops with black olive crust.

2690 Via De La Valle Suite D210,
Del Mar, CA 92014
(858) 925-8212

Website

<http://seaandsmoke.com/>



CUCINA enoteca

This latest addition to the Urban Kitchen Group is a beauty, and the accessible Italian-inflected menu offered here is already a proven hit at their CUCINA urbana.

2730 Via De La Valle, Del Mar,
CA 92014
(858) 704-4500

Website

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



BO-beau Kitchen + Garden

The Cohn Restaurant Group brings their eclectic bistro concept to the restaurant landscape of La Mesa. Find three renditions of mussels and fries, flatbreads and a new craft cocktail program

8384 La Mesa Blvd, La Mesa, CA
91942

(619) 337-3445

Website

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



Ballast Point Tasting Room and Kitchen

Ballast Point's first brewery restaurant is a certified hit, thanks to its Little Italy location, 50 taps of beer and a beyond the traditional brewpub menu by chef Colin MacLaggan.

2215 India St, San Diego, CA
92101
(619) 255-7213
[Website](http://ballastpoint.com)
<<http://ballastpoint.com>>



Waypoint Public

The craft beer list, in bottles and on tap, is well-curated to pair with chef Amanda Baumgarten's menu that include house made charcuterie, burgers, fried oyster tacos and more.

3794 30th St, San Diego, CA
92104
(619) 255-8778
[Website](http://www.waypointpublic.com)
<<http://www.waypointpublic.com>>



Pizzeria Mozza at The Headquarters

Reservations are essential at this bustling eatery with a celeb chef pedigree. The kitchen is getting increasingly deft in their handling of the pizza oven and desserts, from their famous butterscotch budino to the housemade gelato, are a must.

789 W Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA
92101
[Website](https://www.facebook.com/MozzaSanDiego)
<<https://www.facebook.com/MozzaSanDiego>>



Puesto at The Headquarters

Puesto provides a seriously stunning setting for a menu that showcases its signature tacos as well as Mexican small plates and inspired craft cocktails.

789 W Harbor Dr., San Diego, CA
92101
(619) 233-8880
[Website](http://www.eatpuesto.com)
<<http://www.eatpuesto.com>>



Brabant Bar & Cafe

South Park's newest beer destination has Belgian flavor that extends to the draft and bottled beer selections, the food menu and cocktail list.

2310 30th St, San Diego, CA
92104
[Website](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Brabant-Bar-Cafe/386231794768587)
<<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Brabant-Bar-Cafe/386231794768587>>



Blue Ocean

North County gets a great-looking space that might just be your new favorite cocktail bar or your latest sushi find. The menu's rounded out by yakitori and other Asian-inspired plates.

2958 Madison Ave, Carlsbad, CA
(760) 434-4959
[Website](https://www.facebook.com/BlueOceanSD)
<<https://www.facebook.com/BlueOceanSD>>