



THE BEST RESTAURANTS IN SAN DIEGO RIGHT NOW



It's no secret that San Diego's dining scene has exploded over the last several years. In particular, the last two years have seen a bevy of new restaurants, ranging from the swankiest of steakhouses to the most casual of burger joints -- a dichotomy that San Diegans revel in. Sure, we love to get dressed to the nines and hit the town with the best of 'em, but at heart, we're a casual beach town that enjoys an unpretentious good time over pretty much all else. Here's where we're eating these days -- in *most* cases, shirt and shoes required.



CLOAK & PETAL

LITTLE ITALY

Come for the cocktails, stay for the high-quality seafood dishes

Cloak & Petal opened in Little Italy in late 2017 with a focus on high-end Japanese small plates with a highly creative cocktail list. The decor is intended to recall a fever-dreamed Tokyo subway stop with graffiti art, two centerpiece cherry trees, tiled walls and a black, urban edge. For the ultimate decadence, try the wagyu zabuton with wasabi greens, black pepper, nikiri, and yolk, with an uni upgrade for good measure.