

Taos Area Dining

1 Antonio's

Serving contemporary and traditional cuisine from select regions of Old Mexico. Relaxing and romantic ambience in a beautiful old adobe home hightlighted by Mecican folkloric wall murals. Seafood, steak, and poultry. Wine and beer. Lunch and dinner; closed Sunday.

505-758-9889 4167 Paseo del Pueblo Sur (Hwy 68); 4 miles south of Taos Plaza www.antoniosoftaos.com

2 Apple Tree Restaurant

Wonderful gourmet dishes with New Mexican and world cuisine influences. *Wine Spectator* "Award of Excellence." Lovely historic adobe Territorial House with cozy dining rooms and an outdoor courtyard for summer dining. Nice selection of wines and beers. Lunch and dinner daily, and Sunday brunch.

505-758-1900 123 Bent Street (one block north of Taos Plaza) www.appletreerestaurant.com

3 The Bean North

Voted best coffeehouse in Taos; wireless connections (\$1.50 for the first hour, free thereafter). 505-758-7711 900 Paseo del Pueblo Norte www.thebeantaos.net

4 The Bean South

Same as the Bean North, but south of the Plaza. 505-758-5123 1033 Paseo Del Pueblo Sur www.thebeantaos.net

5 Bent Street Café and Deli

Casual and friendly favorite on historic Bent Street. Year 'round patio dining. Wine and beer. Breakfast, lunch and dinner; closed Sunday.

505-758-5787 120 Bent Street www.johndunnshops.com/bentstreetdeli.html

6 Bravo

Bistro with daily specials. Full bar (Taos' largest selection of fine wines and beers). Lunch and dinner; closed Sunday.

505-758-8100 1353-A Paseo del Pueblo Sur www.bravotaos.com

7 Byzantium

Warm and chic dining, serving a superb fusion of Asian, Middle Eastern, and European cuisines. Wine and beer. Dinner only; closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Reservations recommended.

505-751-0805 1 Ledoux Street (at the intersection with La Placita)

8 Caffe Renato

Northern Italian cuisine including traditional pastas, steaks, fish, panini sandwiches, salads, homemade soups, and deserts. Featuring *Illy Caffe* expresso from Italy. Beer, wine, mimosas. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily.

505-758-0244 133 Paseo del Pueblo Norte (1/2 block north of the plaza) www.johnfarnsworth.com/cafferenato.htm

9 Doc Martin's Restaurant at the Historic Taos Inn

Great for breakfast, lunch, or an intimate wine dinner. Authentic adobe building (c.1880) with viga and latilla ceilings, fine art, and ample windows for people-watching. Innovative contemporary American cuisine featuring the freshest seasonal ingredients and *Wine Spectator's* award-winning wine list since 1982. Full bar. Breakfast, lunch, dinner daily. Sunday brunch.

505-758-1977 125 Paseo del Pueblo Norte (just north of the Plaza) www.taosinn.com/restaurant.htm

10 Downtown Bistro

Eclectic cuisine, emphasizing pasta and fish. 505- 737-5060 223 Paseo del Pueblo Sur www.999dine.com/nm/downtownbistro

11 Dragonfly Café

Charming 1911 adobe house with fireplace and patio seating. Breakfast and lunch, including Sunday brunch. Everything on the menu is homemade using the freshest seasonal ingredients. Full European bakery. Wine and beer.

505-737-5859 402 Paseo del Pueblo Norte www.dragonflytaos.com

12 De la Tierra at the El Monte Sagrado Resort and Spa

Award-winning dining experience for the most discriminating diner. Voted one of the "Top 66 Best New Restaurants in the World" by Conde Nast. Eclectic menu celebrating cross-cultural diversity with global and local influences. Internationally recognized chef. (Very expensive.) Extensive wine list; full bar.

800-828-TAOS; 505-758-3502 317 Kit Carson Road (4 blocks from Taos Plaza) www.elmontesagrado.com/dining/de la tierra.asp

13 Joseph's Table

Nationally acclaimed bastion of great food and wine. Located on the Plaza in the La Fonda Hotel. Wine and beer. Lunch and dinner daily.

505-751-4512 108-A South Taos Plaza www.josephstable.com

14 La Folie

Classic French cuisine served in casual setting. Outdoor patio seating. Extensive wine and imported beer selection. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. 505-751-7549 106-B Paseo del Pueblo Norte www.restaurantlafolie.com

15 Lambert's of Taos

Exceptional contemporary American cuisine featuring lamb and fresh seafood. Full bar, extensive wine list. Dinner nightly.

505-758-1009 309 Paseo del Pueblo Sur www.999dine.com/nm/lamberts

16 Old Blinking Light

Ultra-casual dining with an extensive menu – chops, steaks, seafood, salads, chile, burgers, kabobs, fajitas, etc. Outdoor patio seating. Child friendly. Full bar (voted #1 margarita in Taos County). Dancing. Dinner daily.

505-776-8787 Mile Marker One on Hwy 150 (Ski Valley Road) www.oldblinkinglight.com

17 Orlando's New Mexican Cafe

Great ambience – cozy, casual, festive dining is a great experience, especially on the patio in warm weather. Reservations and credit cards are not accepted. Wine and beer. 505-751-1450

1114 Don Juan Valdez Lane (1.8 miles north of the Plaza, off Paseo del Pueblo Norte in an area called El Prado)

18 Michael's Kitchen

A favorite of the locals with down-to-earth ambiance and simple wooden tables. Great breakfasts, including super huevos rancheros. Breakfast, lunch, dinner daily.

505-758-4178

304 Paseo del Pueblo Norte (3 blocks north of the plaza) www.michaelskitchen.com

19 Rancho de Chimayo

40 years of preparing exquisite homemade native New Mexico cuisine. Located in a restored, century old adobe home and surrounded by three breathtaking mountain ranges. Garden terrace dining in summer; fireside dining in winter. Full bar.

505-351-4444 or 505-984-2100

On Santa Fe County Road 98 (off of Hwy 76, the scenic "High Road") about 9 miles east of Espanola in Chimayo

www.ranchodechimayo.com

20 Rancho de San Juan

International award-winning restaurant voted most creative restaurant in New Mexico. Mobil 4-Star Award (5 consecutive years); AAA Four Diamond Award; Wine Spectator Award of Excellence; James Beard Foundation Award Winner. Innovative, elegant international dining laced with local ingredients. Magnificent setting. Dinner only. Closed Sun & Mon. Full bar. Reservations required.

505-753-6818

On US Hwy 285 between Espanola and Ojo Caliente (3.5 miles north of the junction of Hwy 84 and Hwy 285)

www.ranchodesanjuan.com/2005/dining.html

21 Stakeout Grill and Bar

Nestled at the base of the mountains in a large converted ranch house, this is fireside dining with great atmosphere and equally fine food. Italian homemade specialties, excellent steaks, seafood, lamb, duck, superb service, and spectacular views (the sunsets over Taos Valley are *nonpareil!*). Moderately expensive but relaxed about attire. Full bar. Dinner nightly.

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505-758-2042
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101 Stakeout Drive (from Taos Plaza, go 8 mi. south on Highway 68 to dirt road with lighted sign, right about 1 mi.)

www.stakeoutrestaurant.com

22 Sushi a la Hattori

Sushi and Japanese sake bar. 505-737-5123 1405 Paseo del Pueblo Norte (in the Overland Sheepskin building)

23 Taos Pizza Out Back

Voted "Best of Taos" by locals for the past 6 years. Hand-made crusts. Also, pastas, calzones, salads, and homemade deserts. Wine and beer. Lunch and dinner daily. 505-758-3112

712 Paseo del Pueblo Norte (about a half mile north of the split of NM 68 and the road to Taos Pueblo)

24 Trading Post Cafe

Watch acclaimed Chef Rene create Italian and international flavors in the open-air kitchen. Wine and beer. Lunch Tues-Sat, dinner Tues-Sun.

505-758-5089 4179 Paseo del Pueblo Sur (Hwy 68); 4 miles south of Taos Plaza http://999dine.com/NM/Tradingpost

25 Villa Fontana

Award-winning authentic Northern Italian dining served in a charming atmosphere makes this a truly memorable experience. Exceptional seasonal game, chef's specialties with locally-gathered wild mushrooms, and outstanding European service. Garden dining June – September. Fine selection of wines and beers. Dinner Mon-Thurs; brunch on Sunday. 505-758-5800

5 mi. north of Taos Plaza on NM 522 in Arroyo Seco www.villafontanataos.com

Coffeehouses

Caffe Taza

High-quality tea, coffee, and sweets. Changing local art on display. 505-758-8706 122 Kit Carson Road

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Wired Cafe

A tranquil cyber café set amongst ornamental and modern art, gardens, and patios. Free wireless as well as computers available for rent. 505-751-9473

705 Felicidad Lane

World Café

High quality coffee, tea, sandwich, and bakery selections. Also featuring extensive selection of magazines and video-rentals.

World Cup Coffee

A small "hole-in-the-wall" coffee shop (limited seating) with organic coffee, tea, and goodies. Very musical and hip with the newest upbeat world music. 505-737-5299 102A Paseo Del Pueblo Sur

Cocktails

Adobe Bar

"The living room of Taos" in the lobby of the historic Taos Inn. Full bar and wonderful light fare. The best live local music: jazz on Wednesdays and Saturdays; various special guests on Fridays; Flamenco on Sundays. A place to see and be seen.

505-758-2233 125 Paseo del Pueblo Norte www.taosinn.com/entertainment.htm

Anaconda Bar at the El Monte Sagrado Resort and Spa

Offers a full line of premium liquors, mixers, wine, and beer, and a bar menu that is sure to please.

505-758-3502 317 Kit Carson Road (4 blocks from Taos Plaza) www.elmontesagrado.com/dining/anaconda.asp

Cantina at the Sagebrush Inn

An original part of the Inn built in 1931, this is a fun place for two-stepping to Country & Western music. Relax on several flagstone patios and enjoy a spectacular view of the mountains and mesa. No dress code, but western wear seems to be the preferred. 505.758-2254 1508 Paseo del Pueblo Sur (south of town on the west side of Highway 68)

www.sagebrushinn.com/index.php