

Delectable Dining

IN SARASOTA COUNTY

Visitors can treat their palates to a variety of cuisines, from sustainable seafood and locally sourced produce to more worldly options, such as Ethiopian and Peruvian. Award-winning chefs and wine lists please even the most discerning diners, and those who value ambiance can enjoy an entrée with a peaceful waterfront view or opt for a bustling urban setting. Gourmet grocers, weekly farmers markets, and local boutiques make it easy for vacationers to pack a picnic or cook a fresh meal for themselves full of local flavor. And did we mention the Amish community of Pinecraft, which sells thousands of pies each Thanksgiving Day?

Dining Highlights

- › Eleven area restaurants are recipients of Wine Spectator Award of Excellence, including Bijou Garden Cafe, Sage, and Maison Blanche.
- › There are over 40 vegan restaurants in the area.
- › **Savor Sarasota Restaurant Week** spans the first two weeks of June and features fixed-price, multicourse meals from popular restaurants.
- › Sarasota County is home to 14 area breweries and four distilleries, including the award-winning Siesta Key Rum.
- › Food & Drink Festivals held throughout the year include 2023's 23rd Annual Morton's Firehouse Chili Cook-Off and the 16th Annual Sarasota-Manatee Originals' Forks & Corks Food and Wine Festival.

Restaurant Highlights

- › Shore Restaurant, Napule, and Indigenous each earned Florida Trend's 'Golden Spoon Award'.
- › Michael's on East won their 32nd consecutive AAA Four-Diamond Award in 2022 and is the only Sarasota restaurant with the four-diamond designation.
- › Meliora executive chef Drew Adams won a Rising Stars Award from StarChefs.
- › 99 Bottles Taproom & Bottle Shop was named one of the Best Beer Shops by Wine Enthusiast.
- › Bahi Hut, Casey Key Fish House, and O'Leary's Tiki Bar & Grill all made Trips to Discover's Best Tiki Bars in Florida list.



Boca Sarasota



Drift Kitchen