

The Guide

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Restaurant Week

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and other favorites.
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AZÚCAR

Palm Springs

The Latin-influenced eatery at La Serena Villas in downtown Palm Springs is so close to the pool that guests are often warned not to accidentally plunge into the deep end. If an unexpected dip is too much to bear, tables in the open-air dining room populated with portraits of Frida Kahlo also boast prime pool views. azucarpalmsprings.com

Splash Zones

At these poolside restaurants, every dish comes with water views.

STORY BY DERRIK J. LANG

With an average 350 days of sunshine per year, Greater Palm Springs is the ultimate destination to simultaneously savor a meal and soak up the alfresco atmosphere near one of the thousands of posh pools that dot the Coachella Valley floor. Book a prime seat at these fabulous eateries, then dive into deliciousness.

COURTESY LA SERENA VILLAS



GRAPEFRUIT BASIL

Indian Wells

When easy-breezy lifestyle brand Tommy Bahama purchased and rebranded the Tommy Bahama Miramonte Resort & Spa in Indian Wells last fall, the property's restaurant also received a stylish makeover with an island-inspired menu for brunch and dinner. To peek at the pool area, pick a table on the expansive patio. tommybahamamiramonte.com



THE COLONY CLUB

Palm Springs

Step through an arched entryway and past the greenery to find this dramatic poolside gem at The Colony Palms Hotel & Bungalows, Steve Hermann's chic property on North Indian Canyon Drive in Palm Springs. Feast on splurge-worthy fare like spicy deviled eggs and fennel-crusted lamb loin as sunbathers splash around beside your table. colonypalms.com



THE PINK CABANA

Indian Wells

While the eclectic Martyn Lawrence Bullard-designed dining room attracts the most attention at the Sands Hotel & Spa's Mediterranean-tinged restaurant in Indian Wells, do not discount the outdoor space featuring patio tables atop green-and-white checkerboard tiles that are close but not too close to the pool. sandshotelandspa.com

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: COURTESY TOMMY BAHAMA MIRAMONTE RESORT & SPA; JAIME KOWAL, COURTESY SANDS HOTEL & SPA; DANIELA STALLINGER; COURTESY COLONY PALMS HOTEL & BUNGALOWS



PALM CANYON SWIM & SOCIAL

Palm Springs

The wonderfulness of brunch lasts all day in the Uptown Design District at Arrive Palm Springs' hip poolside hot spot, which also serves a daily happy hour featuring discounted wine, beer, and cocktails like frosé as well as savory bites, such as a lobster taco, fried chicken sandwich, and shrimp cocktail.

palmcanyonswimandsocial.com

SOL Y SOMBRA

Cathedral City

SoCal meets Spain at The Paloma resort's restaurant, where a variety of mouth-watering paella and tapas reign supreme. There are several dining areas, but we're partial to the outdoor bar and high-top tables for the best chance at absorbing feel-good pool vibes.

thepalomaresort.com

CHI CHI

Palm Springs

Underneath wicker chandeliers, devour brunch and dinner in an outdoor dining space decked out entirely with black and white décor at this intimate Avalon Hotel & Bungalows watering hole. A daily happy hour includes several different types of beers, wines, cocktails, and bites including crudité, truffle fries, and chips and gauc.

avalon-hotel.com

JWB GRILL

Palm Springs

Overlooking the huge 5 O'Clock Somewhere pool at Margaritaville Resort Palm Springs, JWB Grill — the initials refer to the late Jimmy Buffet's legal name — serves standout sandwiches, salads, and starters like palm cakes and Peruvian ceviche for lunch and dinner. Yes, there's even a cheeseburger in paradise.

margaritavilleresorts.com



AMALA

Palm Springs

The newest poolside restaurant in Palm Springs has a twist: It's adjacent to a lazy river at the Palm Springs Surf Club complex. The all-day venue serves breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a Sunday brunch featuring innovative dishes like an Elvis Presley-inspired PB&J and deconstructed chicken and waffles.

palmspringssurfclub.com