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## These 3 San Diego Spots are Serving Tacos With a Twist

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See What's on the Menu at Barrel Republic, The Taco Stand, and PB AleHouse

Tacos are a staple in the diet of just about anyone who calls San Diego “home.” Whether they’re wrapped in fresh tortillas, shaped from hand-pressed masa or filled with the satisfying crunch of a crispy shell, tacos provide the perfect vessel for satisfying just about any food craving you could conjure up. The San Diego dining scene is no stranger to a taco craving. Soft shell, hard shell, flour, corn, traditional and eclectic flavors appear on just about every menu around town. Local eateries Barrel Republic, The Taco Stand and PB AleHouse have their own versions of taco treats that are dishing up this favorite with a special twist.

## Barrel Republic



Barrel Republic corners the market on the vegetarian taco, with their cheese crisp taco. Avocado lovers will also go green over the concoction—fresh avocado, queso fresco, lime pickled jalapeños, shredded lettuce and a jalapeño lime vinaigrette. Each taco is made with a quarter of an avocado, so every bite is sure to be rich, creamy and flavorful. Barrel Republic only has a single taco on their menu, and according to chef Michael C. Brown, it's the best one around, hands down.

“We offer one of the only avocado tacos in San Diego. It is our only taco on the menu and therefore the best,” Brown said. Barrel Republic offers an overall menu that is about 40 percent vegan, which means that all diners can find something they like. Additionally, their kitchen doesn't house a freezer, so taco tasters can be sure that everything they are stuffing their faces with is fresh and house-made.

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