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The Peaks at Fort McDowell Casino

The all-new The Peaks restaurant offers classic cuisine prepared by master chefs who have perfected the art of fine dining. Steaks and seafood are recognized Valley-wide for their excellence. Designed for people who appreciate elegance in a relaxed atmosphere, The Peaks is truly a peak experience in fine dining. Located inside the Fort McDowell Casino on the northwest corner of Fort McDowell Road and Hwy. 87. Hours: Opens at 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. 800.THE.FORT.



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Cili Restaurant & Bar

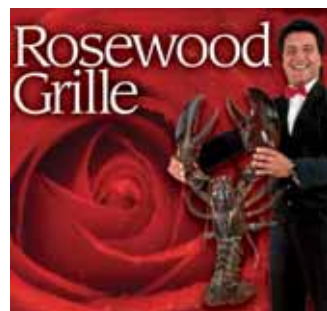
Award winning regional American cuisine with Thai and Asian influences in an exotic setting. Enjoy spectacular golf course views of the nationally recognized Bali Hai Golf Club, with indoor and patio dining in a casual, non-gaming, non-smoking oasis. Reservations recommended. Lunch Monday - Sunday: Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner: Monday - Saturday: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 5160 Las Vegas Blvd. South. 702.856-1000. cili.com



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Avanti

Celebrating over 30 years as a Valley tradition, owners Angelo Livi and Benito Mellino continue to greet guests with globally inspired and classically prepared Italian dishes. Plus, enjoy piano-bar entertainment and seasonal outdoor patio seating. Avanti has garnered awards and accolades from MOBIL TRAVEL GUIDE, ZAGAT SURVEY, THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC, PHOENIX BUSINESS JOURNAL, NEW TIMES, and is rated one of "America's Top Table Restaurants" by GOURMET magazine. 2728 E. Thomas Road, Phoenix, 602.956.0900. avanti-az.com



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Alan LeWinter's Rosewood Grille

This six-time winner of Wine Spectator's prestigious "Award of Excellence" is a landmark on the Strip, serving a growing, upscale clientele. Join them for thick cuts of the finest grain-fed beef, fresh seafood specialties, and the meatiest Maine lobsters you'll ever find. Personable, knowledgeable service in a warmly appointed dining room. Reservations suggested, or chance the wait. Dinner nightly after 4:30 p.m. On the Strip, across from Monte Carlo. 702.792.9099.



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Fogo E Brasa

Add a little Carnival to your life! Experience an authentic Brazilian Churrasco steakhouse, where savory cuts of meat and Old World traditions are celebrated. Skewered meats served tableside, complemented by lavish salad and seafood selections, make your experience complete. Sample everything or choose only what you like! Named "Best New Restaurant" by PHOENIX MAGAZINE and given "Four Stars" by THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC. Hours: Noon to 10 p.m. seven days a week. 4909 E. Chandler Blvd., Phoenix, 480.783.6060. fogoebrasa.com

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Veneto Trattoria

Serving authentic Northern Italian cuisine in the warm and friendly atmosphere of a traditional Italian trattoria, including patio dining. Owners Susan and Roberto Rossi, natives of the Veneto region, maintain Italian authenticity. The menu features fresh, flavorful dishes, all lightly prepared. Desserts and pastas are made in-house. An extensive selection of Italian wines complements the menu and is available for retail purchase. Hours: Monday through Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. 6137 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, 480.948.9928. venetotrattoria.com



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Alan Albert's

When beef lovers gather in Las Vegas, Alan Albert's is the obvious gathering place. Owned by the operators of the highly successful Rosewood Grille dinner house, this handsome steakhouse features the finest slow-roasted prime rib, thick steaks, and fresh seafood. Extensive use of rich woods in the decor lends a warm ambience, accented by a thoroughly professional staff. Reservations suggested at this popular new dining spot. On the Strip between MGM and Polo Towers. 702.740.4426.



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Pinnacle Peak Patio Steakhouse

Since 1957, this Scottsdale landmark has been serving award-winning mesquite-grilled steaks, chicken, and ribs in an Old West atmosphere. And there's a no-necktie policy! Outdoor patio dining, gift shops, banquet facilities. Reservations required for groups of eight or more. Hours: Monday through Thursday 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 4 p.m. to 11 p.m.; and Sundays noon to 10 p.m. 10426 E. Jomax Road, Scottsdale, 480.585.1599. pppatio.com



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Andre's

Since 1980, Andre's has been the most honored, awarded, and respected restaurant in Las Vegas. With exquisite French cuisine and superior service, Andre's continues to be the city's premier French gourmet restaurant. There is an elegant second location inside the Monte Carlo Hotel. Both locations have award-winning wine lists with selections of more than 1,000 labels. Andre's, 401 S. 6th Street. (Closed July.) 702.385.5016. Hours: Monday through Saturday 6 p.m. to closing. Andre's at the Monte Carlo, 702.798.7151. Hours: Open seven days, 5:30 p.m. to closing. andrelv.com



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Durant's

For over 50 years, Durant's has been the Valley of the Sun's most renowned steakhouse. In addition to outstanding steaks, Durant's is famous for fresh stone crab (in season), a WINE SPECTATOR award-winning wine list, and heavenly house-made desserts. All this is in keeping with Jack Durant's wise maxim: "Great steaks, good booze and friends are the necessities of life." Open for lunch Monday through Friday and dinner is served seven nights a week. Reservations recommended. 2611 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, 602.264-5967. durantsaz.com