

ASPEN AL FRESCO DINING & SUMMER SPECIALS

Dining in Aspen is always a special event, but some of our favorite restaurants offer brunch, lunch, happy hour, and dinner specials during the summer season. *Use this guide to find summer specials around town.*

AJAX TAVERN | Gondola Plaza / American Cuisine

Ajax Tavern's expansive outdoor patio offers beautiful views and late-afternoon sunshine, making it a happy-hour favorite.

- HAPPY HOUR: 2:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., daily | Half-off the "For the Table" section of the menu and drink specials
- LIVE MUSIC: Thursdays & Fridays on the patio

Concierge tip: Valet parking is complimentary; pull into The Little Nell and let them know you're dining at the Tavern.

ASPEN PUBLIC HOUSE | 328 E. Hyman Ave. / American Cuisine

Located on the corner of Aspen's historic Wheeler Opera House, this restaurant sits at the center of Aspen's downtown action and offers great people watching from the outdoor tables.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 5 p.m., daily | Happy hour food and drink specials (\$7 shot & a beer, \$6 house wines)

BETULA ASPEN | 525 E. Cooper Ave., 2nd Floor / French Pan-American Cuisine

Another prime patio for enjoying an Aspen afternoon, Betula's second-floor location offers great views of Aspen Mountain.

- LUNCH PRIX FIXE MENU: Appetizer + main course or main course + dessert for \$39
- LIVE DJ: During lunch on Sundays; in the Lounge Thursdays, Fridays, & Saturdays

CREPERIE DU VILLAGE | 400 E. Hopkins Ave. / French Cuisine

Ranked in the Top 5 Romantic Restaurants by The Food Network, this cozy bistro offers French cuisine served in a chalet-inspired setting. There is outdoor seating in the downstairs patio and on the street level.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 5 p.m., daily | \$8 cocktails, 50% off select bottles of rosé, discounted menu items

Concierge tip: The beef fondue for two is perfect for sharing with a date.

JIMMY'S, AN AMERICAN RESTAURANT & BAR | 205 S. Mill St. / American Cuisine, Mezcal Bar

Serving fierce American food, Jimmy's is a locals' favorite and has a great outdoor balcony with mountain views.

- HAPPY HOUR: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m., daily | \$6 margaritas, Moscow Mules, white wine, and rosé; \$2.50 oysters

KIRBY ICE HOUSE / BUMBLE LOUNGE | 307 S. Mill St. / Burgers & Sandwiches

A new restaurant in downtown Aspen, Kirby Ice House has a casual ambiance with an ideal location and one of the best patios on the walking mall.

- OPEN LATE: At 9 p.m. the restaurant turns into the Bumble Lounge with a DJ and late-night food service.

MARBLE BAR ASPEN | 415 E. Dean St. (in the Hyatt Grand Aspen) / Tasting Room

A Marble Distilling Co. concept and tasting room, the Marble Bar is one of the hippest happy hour spots. Arrive any evening (Thursday through Sunday) and be delighted by some variety of live entertainment.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 11 p.m. | Live music, comedy, trivia, and more

MEZZALUNA | 624 E. Cooper Ave. / Italian Fusion

A locals' favorite, Mezzaluna is on the edge of Aspen's downtown core and has an expansive, shaded patio that's the perfect locale for happy hour.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. (6:30 p.m. at the bar), Monday – Saturday | \$9 pizzas, \$3 Coors Light, \$4 Heineken & Corona, \$6 margaritas, & more

MI CHOLA | 411 E. Main St. / Mexican Food

This Mexican restaurant has a hip and trendy (yet still approachable) vibe and features seating on a large, trellised patio.

- HAPPY HOUR: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m., daily | Specials on food as well as signature margaritas, beer, and wine

MR. GREY | 305 S. Mill St. / New England Seafood

Occupying one of the best corners of Aspen's walking mall, Mr. Grey serves delicious seafood on its beautiful patio.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 6 p.m., daily | Drink specials and \$1 oysters
- TUESDAY CRUISEDAY: After sunset specials starting at 9 p.m. | \$4 - \$5 beers, \$8 well drinks
- SUNDAY BRUNCH: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. with a DJ on the patio starting at 1 p.m.

PINE CREEK COOKHOUSE | 11399 Castle Creek Rd. / Gourmet Mountain Fare, Legendary Setting

This iconic restaurant is located at the end of Castle Creek Road and offers stunning views of 14,000-foot peaks from its sunny patio. For any visit, call ahead for reservations: (970) 925-1044.

- PIG ROAST: Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m. | Live music, bonfire, lawn games; \$55 prix-fixe menu or a la carte

PINON'S | 105 S. Mill St. / Elegant American

Our top-recommendation for American fare, Pinons offers fine-dining and Aspen Mountain views from their balcony.

- BAR PRIX-FIXE: \$35, served in the bar nightly

THE RED ONION | 420 E. Cooper Ave. / Historic Bar, Casual Dining

Aspen's oldest bar, the Red Onion has been serving delicious food and good times and 1892. During summer months, diners enjoy outdoor seating on the Cooper Avenue walking mall.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. & 10 p.m. – Midnight, daily | \$1 off drafts, well drinks, & wines by the glass.
- LIVE MUSIC: 3:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays, & Sundays

SCARLETT'S | 515 E. Hopkins Ave. / Rooftop Bar, Casual Dining

This second-floor restaurant has one of the best patios in downtown Aspen with view of Aspen Mountain and Red Mountain. In addition to the specials below, Scarlett's is open for lunch and dinner, Wednesday – Sunday, 3 p.m. – 10 p.m.

- HAPPY HOUR: 3 p.m. – 6 p.m., Wednesdays – Sundays | \$3 beers, \$6 wines, \$6 cocktails (including Frosé & more), \$9 burgers & spicy tuna rolls
- BRUNCH: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Saturdays & Sundays | Bottomless brunch cocktails for \$25

VELVET BUCK | 315 E. Dean St., Inside St. Regis Aspen Resort / Colorado-Centric Cuisine

St. Regis Aspen Resort presents special events in the fountain courtyard paired with food and drinks from The Velvet Buck.

- MUSIC FESTIVAL HAPPY HOUR: 4 p.m. – 7 p.m., Thursdays | Aspen Music Festival & School students perform; guests enjoy a glass of rosé, passed canapés, and cocktail samples for \$20.
- SUMMER SESSIONS: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., Fridays | Woody Creek Distillers specialty cocktails and live music