

Sedona Restaurant Guide

A pocket guide to eating well in Red Rock Country, organized by occasion.

Special-Occasion & Fine Dining

Cress on Oak Creek (L'Auberge de Sedona) — *Uptown, creekside*

Refined, seasonal American cuisine on a creekside terrace with sycamores and red rock views. The signature splurge in town; reservations essential. Sunday brunch is a highlight.

Mariposa Latin Inspired Grill — *West Sedona*

Latin-inspired steaks and seafood with a floor-to-ceiling panorama of the red rocks — one of the most photographed sunset views from any restaurant in Arizona.

Dahl & Di Luca — *Uptown*

A Sedona institution for over two decades — theatrical Italian dining with live piano and a devoted local following.

Views With Your Meal

The Hudson — *Uptown*

New American grill — wagyu burgers, wood-grilled salmon, and a strong cocktail program. Patio at sunset is a favorite.

Hideaway House — *Uptown, above Oak Creek*

Italian comfort food on a patio with some of the best red-rock views in town — casual but memorable.

Local Favorites & Southwestern

Elote Cafe — *West Sedona*

Fire-roasted corn and chef-driven Mexican cooking; consistently one of the hardest reservations in Arizona — book well ahead.

Cowboy Club Grille & Spirits — *Uptown*

Southwestern cooking with Arizona ingredients in a cowboy-memorabilia dining room — a fun, casual classic.

Newer Openings (2026)

Canyon Echo — *Boynton Canyon area*

A new architectural standout built into the landscape, focused on indigenous flavors and farm-to-fork Southwest cuisine — currently one of the toughest reservations in the Verde Valley.

The Juniper Table — *Verde Valley*

New sustainability-focused kitchen emphasizing local sourcing and modern takes on regional ingredients.

Casual, Coffee & Breakfast

Indian Gardens Cafe & Market — *Oak Creek Canyon (89A, ~4 mi north of Uptown)*

Rustic, laid-back cafe and market — a good stop on the drive up the canyon.

Uptown and West Sedona both have a good spread of coffee shops, bakeries, and quick lunch counters near the main trailheads — handy for grabbing something before an early hike.

Wine Country Nearby

The Verde Valley (Cottonwood / Page Springs), a short drive south of Sedona, has a growing wine-tasting trail — worth an afternoon if you enjoy wine touring.

Practical Notes

- Reservations: Book fine dining and the most popular spots (Elote Cafe, Cress, Canyon Echo) several days to weeks ahead, especially in spring/fall.
- Dress code: Nothing in Sedona requires formal attire, but resort casual is the norm at the fine-dining tier — arriving straight from a hike stands out at dinner service.
- Tipping: Standard American convention — 20% baseline at full-service restaurants, 22–25% for exceptional fine-dining service, 15% for counter service.
- Restaurant Week: Sedona typically runs a Restaurant Week in September, offering prix-fixe menus at many top spots.

Hours, prices, and reservation policies change — confirm directly with the restaurant before you go.