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The Ranch Restaurant & Saloon



2015 Top 10 Father's Day Restaurants in Orange County (CA) Area

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The Ranch Restaurant & Saloon Restaurant Review: Located on the ground floor of an office building, adjacent to a lively country-western dance hall, this Anaheim venue boasts one of the region's quirkiest addresses. Inside its heavy doors lies an eatery that revels in attention to detail, from the warm lighting that juxtaposes against dark banquettes to the sleek woods and nuanced colors. Executive [chef](#) Michael Rossi, who first achieved widespread acclaim in Orange County at Napa Rose just a few blocks away, delivers a creative study in contemporary [cuisine](#) that helps set the benchmark for OC dining. Rossi's skill and unrelenting quest for the finest ingredients --- many of which are grown on the restaurant's farm --- result in dishes that carry unforgettable flavors. Freshly baked popovers with daily-made preserves are a must to begin the meal, while the Kobe-style beef carpaccio with black truffle and tuna crudo with orange are inspired starters. Mains are smartly composed, as in the salmon with black quinoa and the lamb chops with pumpkin, merguez sausage, olives, chickpeas and harissa. This kitchen craftsmanship is matched by a jaw-dropping [wine](#) list; a massive tome of more than 14,000 domestic and foreign labels that virtually guarantees that there will be something on hand to ideally match your mood and the occasion. Desserts, like the PBJ and milk chocolate bar, and the buttered popcorn ice cream, are sweetly whimsical. If you are headed next door for dance, be sure to stop in here to indulge in one of the handcrafted cocktails or a selection from the deep roster of fine spirits.

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