

# Our Lunch and Dinner Menus

Updated October 3, 2025



# Solare



# San Diego Spiny Lobsters are Here!

These are spiny lobsters caught right here in San Diego waters. We get them from Tommy Gomes at Tunaville Market and these lobsters are likely caught very close to where we are here at Solare.

The season for commercial spiny lobster fishing just started. The lobsters caught now are plump and sweet and truly delicious. They have been growing and hanging out since the last season ended in March.

We get them fresh and we do often sell out. Please let your server know asap if you'd like one.

# Fettuccine all'Aragosta \$48

San Diego caught live half spiny lobster with lobster tail, house-crafted fettuccine pasta, served with a sauce of lobster reduction, lobster meat, white wine, cherry tomato, a touch of mascarpone cheese and garlic (wow!)



# Lunch Menu



# Sharing Plates

### Fresh Baked Bread 6

Solare's fresh baked bread (baked to order) with fresh extra vigin olive oil

#### Bruschetta alla Mano 19

House baked focaccia with: Sicilian caponata, bell pepper pepperonata, figs, almonds, & black olive tapenade

### Affettati Misti e Conserve 23

Chef's selection of artisanal charcuterie: served with Italian olives, local honey, and oven toasted house-made focaccia bread

+ add Chef's Italian cheese selection 11

### Frittura di Pesce all'Italiana 22

Crispy wild Baja shrimp, calamari, seasonal vegetables with a house-made Calabrian chili pepper mostarda, and bottarga salt

### Wild Baja Shrimp Scampi-style 20

Sourced from Point Loma legend Tommy Gomes The Fishmonger: Two extra large plump wild Baja Shrimp

# Salads & Soup

### Burrata, Spinaci e Fragole 16

Warm savoyed spinach salad, Gioia burrata cheese, strawberries, pistachios, and aceto balsamico

### Classic Caesar Salad 14

Romaine lettuce hearts, classic housemade Caesar dressing, Parmigiano-Reggiano, EVOO, and home-made croutons

### Insalata Pere e Gorgonzola 15

Organic mixed greens, Bartlett pears, gorgonzola crumbles, balsamic vinaigrette,

and caramelized walnuts

### Solare Salad with Angus Steak 25

Grilled Angus beef steak tagliata style with arugula, cherry tomatoes, shaved Grana Padana cheese, and a Balsamic reduction

Butternut Squash Soup Cup 9 ~ Bowl 12 ~ Solare's famous organic Butternut Squash soup ... infused with just a hint of white chocolate and Solare love

### add a Protein

Chicken Breast 9 Grilled Shrimp 12 Angus Steak 15 Fish of the Day 16

# Seasonal Favorite

### Arancini al Tartufo 14

Hand-made Solare arancini with Italian Black Truffles – these are lightly crisped risotto balls, a Sicilian delicacy, Great for sharing!

# Sandwiches

### Panino alla Bistecca 25

House-made focaccia, grilled hanger steak, whole grain mustard, shaved Parmigiano-Reggiano and wild arugula

### Panino Caprese 18

House-made focaccia, fresh mozzarella cheese, heirloom tomatoes, and basilpine nut pesto

# Italian Spritz!

Enjoy a refreshing and delicious Italian Spritz made by our team at Solare.

Sip and savor the essence of Italy in every glass! \$13

# Dessert

### **Chocolate and Caramel Mousse** 12

Chocolate mousse and caramel mousse flourless cocoa nibs cake (gluten free)

### Pistachio Crème Brûlée 12

Sicilian pistachios fill this crème brulee with delicately burned brown sugar

### Solare Tiramisù 11

Mascarpone cheese (includes eggs), Lavazza espresso, and lady fingers

### Panna Cotta all'Arancia e Cioccolato 12

Locally grown orange infused panna cotta served with orange peel sauce and chocolate ganache (gluten free)

### Italian Ricotta Cheesecake 13

Executive Chef Denice's home-made Italian ricotta cheesecake with a mixed berry compote

# Pasta and Mains

### Lasagna Tradizionale 26

House-made lasagna baked and crispy, slow braised Bolognese sauce, house-made béchamel, red wine reduction, and a Grana Padano fondue

### Ravioli di Ricotta e Spinaci 24

Hand-crafted ravioli, filled with spinach, ricotta, parmigiano and nutmeg, served with a light butter and sage sauce, and shaved Grana Padano

### Classic Pappardelle Bolognese 28

Special Solare Bolognese ragù sauce with a house-made pappardelle pasta the ragù is a blend of beef, pork, juniper berries, bay leaves, and tomato

### Risotto Tartufo e Capesante 36

Seared wild scallops, Vialone Nano rice, butter, Grana Padano cheese, and freshly foraged Italian black truffles

### La Parmigiana 23

Maria's special eggplant parmigiana with thinly sliced organic eggplant, mozzarella and caciocavallo Italian cheeses

### Pescato del Giorno 36

Locally caught San Diego fish of the day roasted with sautéed leeks in a touch of cream, spinach, roasted potatoes, and toasted leeks

### Pollo Piccata 29

Free range chicken sautéed with lemon-caper butter sauce, served with sautéed organic vegetables

# Pizza

Proudly made & baked at Solare

### Margherita 17

San Marzano sauce, mozzarella and fresh basil

### Pear & Gorgonzola 19

Gorgonzola cheese, Bartlett pears and mozzarella

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# LATE HIGHT MENU

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### Caprese Classico 12

Locally produced Gioia fresh Mozzarella cheese layered with Basil leaves, heirloom tomatoes, pine nut pesto, Drizzled with award winning Toothacre Ranch Olive Oil from Ramona!

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### Cocktails

### Italian Lemon Prop 14

Vodka, Fresh Citrus, Napoleon Mandarine, Limoncello, touch of sweet

# La Paloma del Celipse 14

Origen Raiz Mezcal "Solare Eclipse Batch", Grapefruit, Lime, Citrus Bitters, Soda Water

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# Scoundrel's Parling

Bourbon, Sweet Vermouth, Tawny Port, Baking Spices, Chocolate Bitters, Whole Egg

### Espresso Martini

Vodka, Caffè Vergnano Espresso, Coffee Liqueur, Amaro, Demerera

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### Cotto e Funghi 19

Italian ham, portobellini mushrooms, San Marzano sauce and shredded mozzarella

### Salsiccia 20

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### Proscuitto and Burrata 24

San Marzano sauce, Proscuitto Crudo, Gioia burrata, and mozzarella.

Drizzled with award winning Toothacre Ranch Olive Oil from Ramona!



# Solare Ristorante ~ **Q CYGNETTHEATRE**

### 3-Course Pre-Theatre Menu \$60++

choose one item from each course

### Antipasti

*Insalata di Finocchi con Mele e Noci* – A pure Italian fennel, apple, & citrus salad: thinly shaved fennel, fresh apple segments, walnuts, and a light orange citrus dressing

*Solare's Bisque di Aragosta* - Lobster bisque served with pasta choux beignet filled with lobster meat, ricotta, and chives

*Carpaccio di Manzo Wagyu* - Wagyu beef loin, fresh arugula, Chef Denice's citronette, shaved grana Padano cheese, and micro flowers

### Main

Lasagna al Cinghiale – Special lasagna made by Chef Maria: Wild boar (cinghiale), layers and layers of pasta with our home-made béchamel

**Fettuccini e Tartufo -** Italian Truffles with a classic home-made pasta: hand-cut fettuccine served with fresh Italian Truffles shaved on top

**Pesce alla Siciliana** Wild and locally caught fish from San Diego waters (Tommy Gomes & Tunaville Market!) with a pistachio & olive crust, served with a smoked tomato broth (yes!), spinach, and roasted potatoes

Filetto di Manzo all'Aglio Nero - Angus beef filet with Chef Denice's black garlic glaze served with Piemontese Italian polenta with Italian Truffles (+\$10)

### Dolce

**Semifreddo al Pesche di Stagione** – House-made Italian semifreddo infused and topped with seasonal peaches & a dollop of Chantilly cream

Italian Gelato & Sorbetto - Your server will share with you our daily artisanal selection of San Diego's very own Massi Gelato



# Wine Specials

Special Italian Wine Flight ~ \$29 ~ Three 3oz Pours

### La Spinetta, Timorasso, Colli Tortonesi DOC, 2023 Piemonte

A fun grape variety brought back from obscurity. Racy ccidity and medium body define a premiment Piemonte white wine. Glass  $20 \sim Bottle 75$ 

### Marotti Campi "Orgiolo" Lacryma di Morro D'Alba DOC Superiore, 2022, Marche

A unique grape from Marche. Expressing intense aromas of flowers, one would expect a sweet wine, instead, we have a wine delivering spicy characteristics with a medium to full palate and smooth tannins that show the 12 months spent in barrique. Enjoy!

Glass  $18 \sim 66$ 

### Luce "Lucente" Toscana IGT 2022 ~ Sangiovese and Merlot

A rich blend from the heart of Tuscany in Montalcino. Aged for 12 months in a mix of used and new french oak. Glass  $18 \sim 68$ 



# Our Dinner Menu



# Benvenuti a Solare

We welcome you to the Solare Family! It is our goal to offer to you an amazing dining experience. We are an authentic Italian restaurant with a special focus on regional dishes and extreme care of ingredients.

My Team and I sincerely thank you for all the support you have shown us over the last year and more. Food is the power that brings us together.

Owner & General Manager, Randy Smerik

RANDY

We make our pasta fresh daily here at Solare.





### What We Do:

Authentic Italian Cuisine

• Antipasti

Soups & Broths & SaucesSalads

• Pasta house-made

• Pizza

• Vegetarian & Vegan

Proteins

Home-made Italian Desserts

Private Room

Solare Wine Room

Solare Chef's Table

Retail Wine Shop

Wine to-go

Craft Cocktails to-go

Tasting Menu

Wine Dinners

# Dessert First? ©

### Mousse al Cioccolato e Caramello 12

Chocolate mousse and caramel mousse flourless cocoa nibs cake (gluten free)

### Crema Bruciata al Pistacchio 13

Sicilian pistachios fill this crème brulee with delicately burned brown sugar

### Solare Tiramisù 11

Mascarpone cheese (includes eggs), Caffe Vergnano espresso, and lady fingers

### Panna Cotta alla Pesca e Bourbon 12

Peach infused panna cotta served with a bourbon-glazed peach sauce (gluten free)

### Italian Ricotta Cheesecake 13

Executive Chef Denice's home-made Italian ricotta cheesecake with a lemon-mint macerated starwberries

# Antipasti e "Sharing Plates"

### Solare's Pane Artigianale 6

Freshly baked loaf of golden Italian bread made with Italian 00 flour, fresh yeast, Rosemary and Maldon salt and served with EVOO (GF available +1)

### Gamberetti Selvatici di Tommy Gomes 20

Sourced from Point Loma legend Tommy Gomes The Fishmonger: Two extra large plump wild Baja Shrimp ~ Scampi style

### Bruschetta alla Mano 19

House focaccia with: Sicilian caponata — and figs, almonds, & black olive tapenade — and red bell pepper peperonata (GF available +2)

### Italian Charcuterie ~ Affettati Misti 23

Daily Chef's selection of artisanal charcuterie: served with Italian olives, local honey, and oven toasted house-made focaccia bread (GF available +2) + add Chef's choice Italian cheeses of the day 11

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# Zuppa Italiano

**Zuppa del Giorno** Cup ~ Bowl ~ Quarts To-Go Solare's wholesome and hearty soup is a deliciously filling meal or starter any day of the year

**Zuppa di Zucca** Cup 10 ~ Bowl 13 ~ Quarts To-Go 26 Solare's famous organic Butternut Squash soup ... infused with just a hint of white chocolate and Solare love

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### Tuscan Pici Pasta 25

Hand-rolled Pici pasta (first made in Siena, Tuscany) with garlic infused fresh tomato sauce, and herb crumbs (a vegan delight ~ no eggs)

### Linguine alle Vongole 29

Artisanal linguine with manilla clams, EVOO, garlic, parsley, Calabrian chili peppers (it is a little spicy), and cherry tomatoes

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### PIZZA A MODO MIO ~ Personalize your Pizza

Want a wood-fired Solare pizza at your home or office? Yes, we have our 900°F wood-fired pizza oven and we would love to cater your event.

Master Pizza Chef Brian will take great care of you.

Ask your server for details.

Would you like a Gluten-Free Pizza? Made in house with our own recipe - \$5 extra

# Secondi

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### Pescato del Giorno 36

Locally caught San Diego fish of the day roasted with sautéed leeks in a touch of cream, spinach, roasted potatoes, and toasted leeks

### Pollo al Marsala 29

Free range chicken sautéed with shiitake mushrooms and Marsala wine, served with organic sautéed vegetables

### Costolette di Agnello 41

Seared Sicilian-style pistachio-crusted lamb chops served with sautéed spinach, and roasted fingerling potatoes with a light dusting of cheese and truffle infusion

### Osso Buco di Maiale 38

Slow braised 160z pork osso buco on a bed of Milanese saffron risotto served with balsamico cremini mushrooms and almond/citrus gremolada

### Filetto di Manzo 46

Angus beef filet with Chef Denice's green peppercorn sauce and crispy onions on top, grilled asparagus, carrot, and parsnip purée

### Duroc Tomahawk Pork Chop 43

An incredible pork tomahawk that our best supplier found for us to share with you. This is the Duroc breed from Compart Family Farms in Minnesota. Duroc is a proverbial dip in the pool of heritage breed pork. The pigs are red in color and the meat is a beautiful, almost fuchsia rich pink. Duroc pork is known for its incredible juiciness and rich flavor. We grill this chop and then finish it oven roasted with herb butter, tender asparagus and home-made corn cake.





# Come Experience Solare.

# Solare

# Would you like a Solare Craft Cocktail to take home?

We have our Solare-made craft cocktails packaged in cool glass bottles to take home with you. 2 Servings each!

Order with your server and we will have them ready for you to take home.

\$22 for the glass bottle with 2 servings

# Negroni

Gin, Sweet Vermouth, Campari

# **Italian Lemon Drop**

Vodka, Fresh Citrus, Napoleone Mandarine, Limoncello, touch of sweet

### Manhattan

Rye whiskey, Sweet Vermouth, aromatic and orange Bitters, Amarena Cherries

### **Dolce Vista**

With Henebery Whisky, Lemon, Honey, Ginger, Citrus Bitters

### **Paloma**

Real del Valle Blanco Tequila, Grapefruit, Lime, touch of sweet, Citrus Bitters

# Rosemary A Go-Go #3

Old Harbor Gin, Mirto, Aperitivo, Lemon, Flamed Rosemary