

SAN DIEGO FOOD FINDS BLOG

Downtown Eating Tour on Two Wheels



Scooters are all the rage these days. With the introduction of the motorized Bird Scooters, short-distance travel to find good eating spots has never been easier – or more fun! These little two-wheeled speedsters have taken San Diego by storm, making it exciting and entertaining to scoot from one destination to the next with their dockless model. Nothing tops the ambiance of the scenic and historic Gaslamp District, the most exciting spot in San Diego for food, drink, and merriment, so hop on the nearest scooter and take your sweet ride for a spin to these bustling downtown spots!

Fuel up for your ride with the most important meal of the day at [Breakfast Republic](#), the widely acclaimed downtown breakfast destination that's raising feathers as a top spot to enjoy *egg-cellent* morning fare. Packed with quirky personality from the vibrant decorations to the tasty takes on classic American breakfast dishes, there's a lot to crow about this innovative eatery. Start your day with the **Breakfast Bacon Mac N' Cheese**, a hot skillet of mac & cheese loaded with parmesan breadcrumbs, chives, macaroni, bacon, and jack and cheddar cheese sauce, all topped with three eggs any style.



Breakfast Republic Bacon Mac 'n Cheese (courtesy photo)

Scoot on over to [The Smoking Gun](#), a revolutionary spin on the neighborhood bar that is taking the Gaslamp back to simpler times. With an urban setting, retro 70s décor, and games including ping-pong and shuffleboard, this bar promises a

smokin' good time to all who enter. Peruse their menu of comfort street food before noshing on the **BBQ Pulled Pork Sliders**, two steaming sliders served on homemade sweet rolls with BBQ mustard and red chili slaw for a snack between your scooter sessions.



The Whiskey House Burger (courtesy photo)

Take your ride around town to new tasty heights at [Lazy Hippo](#), downtown's one-stop location for all of your favorite breakfast and lunch cravings. The hit new concept in daytime eats, this café offers healthy twists, organic ingredients, and savory traditional favorites along with fresh-squeezed orange juice and smoothies. Keep it light for your day in the sun with the **Jicama Soyrizo Tacos**, crunchy jicama

tortillas with guacamole, salsa fresca, fresh cucumber, and seasoned soyrizo for a vegan alternative.



Smoking Gun BBQ Pulled Pork Sliders (courtesy photo)

You won't have to ride far to reach your next destination, [The Whiskey House!](#) Neighbor to Lazy Hippo and home to California's largest whiskey collection with over 2,500 unique bottles, this premier drinking destination also specializes in a delectable menu of house-made fare to complement your whiskey tasting. Park your scooter before indulging in **The Whiskey House Burger**, a massive feat of food topped with cheddar, Thousand Island dressing, grilled onions, crispy bacon, lettuce, and fresh tomato slices.



Pan Roasted Scottish Salmon (courtesy photo)

Hop back on your two-wheeled stallion to find [barleymash](#), the fun and high-energy downtown restaurant and bar that celebrates the richness of American culture with a lively atmosphere and progressive bar fare. Drawing heavily from the two barroom staples of beer and bourbon, the aesthetic, appetizing, and mouthwatering menu brings a little something for everyone to the plate. Try their popular **Maine Event Barleymac**, a skillet of añejo tequila and butter-poached Maine lobster meat, white truffle oil, and parmesan over cavatappi noodles, poblano beer-cheese sauce, a three-cheese blend, and bread crumbs for a filling and fueling meal!

Found just a short scoot away is [Union Kitchen & Tap](#), the modern yet rustic eatery with unbeatable scratch-made cuisine, craft beers, and signature cocktails. Featuring an unrivaled stylish and comfortable ambiance, this downtown hangout is the Gaslamp's hot spot for the entertainment and dining scene! Dig into a dinner worth the ride any day with the **Pan Roasted Scottish Salmon**, perfectly seared salmon with red beet hummus, harissa, spiced hazelnut crumble, grilled baby carrot, and a scallion pesto sauce.

Take advantage of the new scooter trend with a downtown eating tour on two wheels, complete with a bite for every stop!