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10 Hotel Thanksgiving Dinners Worth Leaving Home For

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Courtesy Salish Lodge & Spa

At these in-hotel restaurants, you can get everything from turkey like grandma used to make as well as more modern spins on the holiday meal—like sushi, oysters, and Danny Meyer's take on Italian.

Not inclined to cook this holiday? Head to these hotels offering stellar meals for a crowd.

What's better than Thanksgiving dinner? That's easy—one you didn't have to fuss over. This year, skip the days of preparation (the cleanup, too) and spend more time relaxing with family and friends—these ten hotels and resorts across the country are planning a Thanksgiving dinner to remember. All you have to do is show up.


Park Hyatt: Washington, D.C. An almost-stark dining room inside a Tony Chi–designed  [Park Hyatt Washington D.C.](#) in the nation's capital might not be your first pick for a cozy New American meal, but the hotel's Blue Duck Tavern has been wowing even the most skeptical since its debut nearly a decade ago. Already firing on all cylinders very nearly year-round, the kitchen takes on the most American of meals with a certain gusto—think classic preparations, but with the utmost of precision, not to mention top-notch, often local ingredients. A three-course dinner, \$110 each, stars a wide variety of regional produce, while a take-home meal feeds 6 to 8 for \$350.

The Beverly Hills Hotel: Los Angeles Don your best shades and aim the convertible for this classic urban resort hidden behind a veritable jungle of greenery for a truly SoCal Thanksgiving.  [The Beverly Hills Hotel](#)'s legendary Polo Lounge takes a break from serving up power lunches to offer a Thanksgiving Day brunch and dinner menu catering to all types of eaters—even those whose idea of a hearty meal is a kale Caesar salad with dressing not on the side. Warning, however: Even healthy types may find themselves undone by the dessert buffet, featuring multiple pies, cobblers, tarts and the like; \$105 for brunch and \$140 for dinner.




Courtesy Allison Inn & Spa

At the modern, clean-lined Allison Inn & Spa in the Willamette Valley, be sure to order the wine pairing with your meal.

21C Museum Hotel: Bentonville, Arkansas A short walk from one of the country's most talked-about new art museums, Crystal Bridges, the recently opened  [21c Museum Hotel, Bentonville](#), that's itself a work of modern architectural art is home to The Hive. The smart, Southern-inflected spot is offering a four-course meal headlined by smoked turkey with house-made cornbread stuffing (and all the trimmings) starting at \$39 per person; \$18 for kids. Tip: Don't miss the highly unusual rotating exhibitions in the hotel's first-floor gallery spaces.

Four Seasons Resort Orlando at Walt Disney World Resort Spending the holiday at the House of Mouse this year? Upgrade your experience to a level you probably weren't expecting in these parts with a stay at Orlando's [best new hotel](#), or simply pop by for the epic buffet at Ravello. Already known as home to the tastiest (and least-crowded) Disney character breakfast, the restaurant will serve a more-than-just-turkey dinner—from 2 to 8 p.m., \$105 for adults and \$35 for children—featuring charcuterie, oysters, sushi, and pasta dishes as well as all the classics. A to-go option is available with advance notice.


Allison Inn & Spa: Willamette Valley, Oregon This wine country favorite not far from Portland offers a hyper-local Thanksgiving dinner in Jory, the award-winning restaurant in the  [The Allison Inn & Spa](#). Much of the produce that makes its way to your plate comes from the property's sizeable garden, with trusted Northwest farms picking up the slack. And, of course, don't forget the vineyards—supplement your four-course meal, \$65 each, with thoughtful pairings of regional wines for an additional \$55.


Viceroy Snowmass Resort: Aspen Thanksgiving is celebrated a little differently in these parts—it's typically the first day of ski season, after all. Headed up the mountain? Refuel with a proper turkey dinner —\$49 for adults and \$25 for children—with a view at Eight K, tucked into the [Viceroy Snowmass](#). Stick around for the annual Thanksjibbing Rail Jam on the 27th, a ski event that also features the popular Leftover Challenge, where Snowmass chefs compete to create the best day-after dinner. Sample each the offerings for free and vote for your favorite—Eight K's exec chef Will Nolan will be entering a Louisiana-style deep-fried turkey po-boy, fully dressed of course.



Courtesy The Grill Room
Celebrate the holiday in Big Easy style at the Windsor Court Hotel's Grill Room.

Windsor Court Hotel: New Orleans The Big Easy's finest address is also home to one of the city's best special-occasion restaurants. Thanksgiving in the Grill Room of the  [Windsor Court Hotel](#) offers a regional spin on the classics—heritage-breed turkey is served with oyster dressing and haricots verts; starters include an indulgent lobster etouffee; \$100 for four courses; \$100 supplement for white sturgeon caviar and Champagne for two.

Gramercy Park Hotel: New York Chances are, it's nothing like your mama used to make—the Italian-American Thanksgiving menu (\$95) at Gramercy Park-facing Maialino at the  [Gramercy Park Hotel](#) is probably better. Much more than just another hotel dining room, Danny Meyer's Italian smash hit offers four refreshingly nontraditional courses—chestnut soup and a rustic pumpkin-sage tortelli di zucca pasta course are followed up with a traditional turkey dinner that comes with kale-and-sausage stuffing, polenta, and a cranberry mostarda. A fixed menu of Maialino classics, for \$95 per adult, including the roasted suckling pig will also be available along with a kids menu for \$55.

Salish Lodge: Seattle More than 1.5 million people visit the Seattle area's iconic Snoqualmie Falls every year; a relatively select few are fortunate enough to fall asleep listening to the falls' inspired thundering from cozy rooms at the  [Salish Lodge & Spa](#) made world-famous by the 1990s hit TV show *Twin Peaks* (returning to the air in 2017). Book a room, then a table at the Dining Room for a four-course feast for \$100: It's best kicked off with a steaming bowl of Dungeness-crab bisque, a Northwest favorite.



Courtesy The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas

Vegas never hesitates to go over the top, and that definitely applies to the Cosmopolitan's Thanksgiving dessert buffet.

The Cosmopolitan: Las Vegas Got ambitious plans for this year's dinner? Even the most ambitious cook is no match for the groaning board featured at [The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas](#) Wicked Spoon buffet from November 26 to 29. One of the best spreads on the Strip year-round performs to expectations at this eating-centric holiday, offering everything from venison carpaccio and raw oysters to roasted game hen and turkey-leg roulade. \$44 for brunch, \$52 for dinner.