



## National Coalition of Black Meeting Planners Dine Around Restaurant Guide

### City Center / Downtown

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#### **Faz**

1111 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 272-1111

**Website:** <http://fazrestaurants.com/faz-oakland>

#### **Description:**

A popular restaurant chain serving Californian and Mediterranean cuisine. Open for lunch Monday - Friday and dinner Monday - Saturday.

#### **Bissap Baobab**

381 15th Street  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 817-4722

**Website:** <http://www.bissapbaobaboakland.com/>

#### **Description:**

Choose from a full range of gourmet African dishes, including starters, entrees, and desserts; wash down your meal with our homemade juice drinks, one of our signature infused cocktails, or a selection of beers and spirits from all over the world. More than just a restaurant, Bissap Baobab is a community center and San Francisco cultural institution, with a laid back, yet distinctly cosmopolitan, worldly vibe which upholds the concept of an African village. We feature weekly, monthly, and special events: from DJ parties; to live music and dance performances; to French language and World Cup meet-ups; to independent film screenings; art exhibitions; spoken word and poetry, and much, much more.

#### **Galeto Brazilian Steakhouse**

1019 Clay St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 238-9388

**Website:** <http://www.galeto.com>

**Email:** [info@galeto.com](mailto:info@galeto.com)

#### **Description:**

Churrascaria (choo-rah-scah-ree-ah) is the name used to describe a restaurant that serves meat, mostly grilled and Rodizio is a method of serving different cuts of meat that originated south of Brazil in the early 1800s. Indulge yourself in our Buffet Salad Bar enjoying a variety of salads and special hot dishes. Come visit us to experience an authentic Brazilian churrascaria and Share a one-of-a-kind experience with your friends and family.

**Itani Ramen**

1736 Telegraph Ave  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 788-7489

**Website:** <http://www.itaniramen.com/>

**Email:** [megu@itaniramen.com](mailto:megu@itaniramen.com)

**Contact:** Megu Wada

**Description:**

Itani Ramen mirrors the Japanese ramen experience, one where a bowl of ramen is affordable, served quickly, and always soulful and satisfying.

**\*Semi-Private Dining available.**

**Tambo Peruvian Restaurant**

1414 Jefferson St.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 663-8262

**Website:** <http://tamborestaurant.com/>

**Email:** [tamboakland@gmail.com](mailto:tamboakland@gmail.com)

**Description:**

Tambo is an authentic Peruvian restaurant offering a selection of types of ceviche, an assortment of Peruvian tapas, delicious desserts, and a variety of organic South American beers and wines.

**Tribune Tavern**

401 13th St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 452-8742

**Website:** <http://www.tribunetavern.com/>

**Email:** [cpastena@hotmail.com](mailto:cpastena@hotmail.com)

**Description:**

The Tribune Tavern is the latest venture from Chris Pastena of Chop Bar and Temoor Noor of Grand Tavern. It serves as a place for people to mingle over happy hour drinks, lunch meetings, or dinner—with authentic, nourishing comfort food that's affordable enough for everyone to enjoy, and a bar stocked with the best locally-made beer and wine.

## Uptown

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### **Agave Uptown**

2135 Franklin St.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 288-3668

**Website:** <http://agaveuptown.com/>

**Email:** hola@agaveuptown.com

**Description:**

Upscale Oaxacan-Californian cuisine offered in a chic, cozy space with culturally-inspired accents.

### **alaMar**

100 Grand Ave., Suite 111  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 907-7555

**Website:** <http://www.alamaroakland.com>

**Email:** info@alamaroakland.com

**Description:**

alaMar ("to the sea") brings mouth-watering crustacean boils and unique eats to the thriving Uptown Oakland restaurant scene. The industrial decor pays homage to this port city while encouraging you to roll up your sleeves and satisfy your primal instinct by diving into every dish – from starters to desserts – with your bare hands.

### **Blind Tiger**

2600 Telegraph Ave  
Oakland, CA 94609

**Phone:**

**Website:** <http://www.blindtigeroakland.com/>

**Email:** [info@blindtigeroakland.com](mailto:info@blindtigeroakland.com)

**Description:**

Blind Tiger offers pan-asian inspired tapas and craft cocktail bar with 20 beers on tap.

### **Calavera Mexican Kitchen & Agave Bar**

2337 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94

**Phone:**

**Website:** <http://www.calaveraoakland.com/>

**Email:** mezcal@calaveraoakland.com

**Description:**

Calavera will be a creative regional Mexican restaurant that re-imagines and celebrates Mexico's rich culinary traditions, from pre-Columbian to the modern gastro movement sweeping Mexico's major cities.

### **Camber Restaurant + Bar**

1707 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, CA  
94612

**Phone:** (510) 663-4560

**Website:** <http://camberoakland.com/>

**Description:**

Camber is a classy, trendy, sophisticated, new establishment located in the heart of uptown Oakland. Just blocks down from the Fox and Paramount Theatre, Camber is an ideal spot for lunch, happy hour, dinner or simply just drinks. Enjoy the specialty cocktails and the 7 flat screens of sports while you indulge in the small plates they've hand crafted for you. With Southeast Asia's influences in spices, the owner has set up a menu with an Asian flare

**Duende**

468 19th St.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 893-0174

**Website:** <http://www.duendeoakland.com/>

**Email:** gerard@duendeoakland.com

**Description:**

Located directly across from the Fox Theater, Duende is an innovative restaurant that brings the Bay Area a new way to experience food, drinks, art, and live music.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

**Drake's Dealership**

2325 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 568-2739

**Website:** <http://drinkdrakes.com/visit/dealership/>

**Email:** [casey.phinney@drakesbrewing.com](mailto:casey.phinney@drakesbrewing.com)

**Contact:** Casey Phinney

**Description:**

The downtown Oakland beer garden and restaurant location of Drake's Brewing Company of San Leandro.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

**Flora**

1900 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 286-0100

**Website:** <http://floraokland.com>

**Description:**

Art Deco style that evokes the opulence of a bygone era, with carefully crafted cocktails and a menu of reinvented American classics. Sample their tender braised short ribs and puffy-crisp potatoes.

**Hopscotch Restaurant & Bar**

1915 San Pablo Ave.  
Oakland, CA 94608  
**Phone:** (510) 788-6217

**Website:** <http://hopscotchoakland.com/>

**Contact:** Jenny Schwarz

**Description:**

Hopscotch is an upscale diner serving seasonally inspired cocktails and regional American food with Japanese sensibility in Oakland's Uptown neighborhood.

**Howden Restaurant & Bar**

1628 Webster St.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 268-0170

**Website:** <https://www.howdenrestaurantandbar.com>

**Contact:** Emma Craig

**Description:**

Everything is created from scratch, playfully using fresh herbs and spices to bring out the natural flavor in each dish. Join them for Happy Hour for munchies, beer, and cocktails.

### **Hutch Bar & Kitchen**

2022 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 419-0622

**Website:** <http://www.hutchoakland.com/>

**Description:**

Hutch Bar & Kitchen specializes on the cooking traditions of the American South featuring a Gulf Coast influenced raw bar stocked with fresh and sustain-ably fished California seafood, traditional house prepared grits, unique ethically farmed grilled local meats, as well as an eclectic array of Southern inspired bar snacks.

### **Izzy's Steak & Chop House**

59 Grand Ave  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 452-2822

**Website:** [www.izzyssteaks.com](http://www.izzyssteaks.com)

**Contact:** Joe Kohn

**Description:**

The Bay Area's Legendary Barbary Coast Restaurant serving Steaks, Seafood, and classic comfort side dishes like au gratin potatoes and creamed spinach. A bay area tradition for 30 years.

**\*Private Dining Available**

### **Kingston 11**

2270 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 214-2311

**Website:** <http://kingston11eats.com/>

**Email:** [info@kingston11eats.com](mailto:info@kingston11eats.com)

**Description:**

Kingston 11 Cuisine is an environmentally friendly, community-oriented, innovative restaurant. Their mission is to provide consistent high-quality, delicious blends of Jamaican and Californian cuisines using local and organic ingredients.

### **Mua**

2442 Webster St.  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 238-1100

**Website:** <http://www.muaoakland.com>

**Email:** [info@muaoakland.com](mailto:info@muaoakland.com)

**Description:**

A trendy restaurant and bar serving delicious dishes and cocktails. Check out their art events as well.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

### **Parlour**

357 19th Street  
Oakland, CA 94612  
**Phone:** (510) 451-1357

**Website:** <http://parlouroakland.com>

**Email:** [info@parlouroakland.com](mailto:info@parlouroakland.com)

**Description:**

Parlour is one of the Uptown district's newest eateries and the latest labor of love from the partners behind the iconic Bar355.

**Plum Bar + Restaurant**

2216 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94612

**Phone:** (510) 444-7586

**Website:** <http://plumbaroakland.com>

**Email:** hannah@postcardcomm.com

**Description:**

We believe in craft, innovation, and the magic of delicious food and drink.

## Old Oakland

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### **Cosecha**

907 Washington St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 452-5900

**Website:** <http://www.cosechacafe.com>

**Contact:** Dominica Rice

#### **Description:**

Food prepared from scratch each day, including handmade tortillas, chorizo, pastries, seasonal salads and soups. A blend of Californian and Mexican cuisine.

### **Desco**

499 9th St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 663-9000

**Website:** <http://descooakland.com/>

#### **Description:**

Showcasing seasonally fresh, ingredient-driven regional Italian cuisine. The menu includes antipasti and pasta dishes such as Piatto della Casa, a housemade assortment of smoked duck, lamb prosciutto and rabbit terrine as well as Casonsei, a rustic ravioli from Bergamo filled with pork and housemade sausage with a brown butter and guanciale. All the fresh pasta is made in-house. For dessert, diners can enjoy Bünnet, a Piemontese chocolate custard made with amaretto cookie with a light caramel sauce

### **District**

827 Washington St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 272-9110

**Website:** <http://districtoak.com/menu.php>

**Contact:** Tom Walton  
**Email:** [info@districtoak.com](mailto:info@districtoak.com)

#### **Description:**

Enjoy \$1 oyster happy hour, bar bites, cold plates, charcuterie, cheese, pizetta, and more.

### **El Gusano**

1015 Clay St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 444-9676

**Website:** <http://el-gusano.com/>

**Email:** [Info@el-gusano.com](mailto:Info@el-gusano.com)

#### **Description:**

A taqueria by day and full-service restaurant by night. El Gusano is the little brother to Tropisueño in San Francisco, which is owned and operated by Michael Sopher and Erin Brooks.

### **Fort Green**

736 Washington Street  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 593-2172

**Website:** [fortgreenoakland.com](http://fortgreenoakland.com)

#### **Description:**

Looking for a great place to relax, unwind, and enjoy delicious food and drinks? Come to Fort Green! Located in the Old Oakland neighborhood, Fort Green is a friendly sports bar offering the perfect mix of good times, good friends, and great food and drinks.

**Le Cheval**

1007 Clay St.

Oakland, CA 94607

**Phone:** (510) 763-8495

**Website:** <http://www.lecheval.com>

**Description:**

Popular Vietnamese restaurant with specialties including imperial rolls, lemongrass beef, and fried bananas. Open for lunch Monday through Saturday and open for dinner daily.

**Tamarindo Antojeria**

468 8th St.

Oakland, CA 94607

**Phone:** (510) 444-1944

**Website:** <http://www.tamarindoantojeria.com/>

**Contact:** Alfonso Dominguez

**Email:** [info@tamarindoantojeria.com](mailto:info@tamarindoantojeria.com)

**Description:**

Tamarindo Antojeria introduces an old concept into a new experience of eating Mexican food: small cravings (Antojitos). It is authentic Mexican food in a comfortable setting with great service. Serving brunch, lunch, and dinner.

## Jack London Square

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### **Chop Bar**

247 4th St., #111  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 834-2467

**Website:** <http://www.oaklandchopbar.com/>

**Email:** info@oaklandchopbar.com

#### **Description:**

A chop bar, in West African parlance, is a roadside bar/restaurant that also serves as a gathering place for the community. Chop Bar offers brunch, lunch and dinner with a menu of great food, wine-on tap, local beers, and more, all in a comfortable and friendly atmosphere.

### **Eve's Waterfront Restaurant**

15 Embarcadero West  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 817-4477

**Website:** <http://bit.ly/EvesWaterfront>

**Email:** Evesmgr@eveswaterfront.com

#### **Description:**

Waterfront Restaurant serving fresh seafood, local meats and organic produce. We will have events and enjoy our Saturday and Sunday brunch on patio.

**\*Private Dining Room Available.**

### **The Forge**

66 Franklin St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 268-3200

**Website:** <http://www.theforgepizza.com/>

**Email:** info@theforgepizza.com

#### **Description:**

A delicious menu featuring a variety of pizzas, salads, sandwiches, and cocktails. Forge Pizza Jack London Square, in the heart of the historic Oakland District and home to festivals, concerts, and events throughout the year, opened in January of 2013.

### **Kincaid's: Classic American Dining**

1 Franklin St., #70  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 835-8600

**Website:** <http://kincaids.com>

#### **Description:**

This lively Jack London Square restaurant draws big crowds for its catch-of-the-day specials, the spectacular waterfront view, and quite possibly the best New England clam chowder on the West Coast. Lunch and dinner daily, brunch Sun.

### **La Furia Chalaca Restaurant**

310 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 451-4206

**Website:** <http://www.lafuriachalaca.com/>

#### **Description:**

La Furia Chalaca Restaurant invites you to enjoy their incomparable cuisine, rooted in the traditions and customs of the Picanterias (family style restaurants), of Northern Peru. The menu celebrates Northern Peruvian heritage dedication to using only the freshest ingredients. In our Chalaca Annexo, you can dine in a romantic atmosphere, sip freshly made cocktails and enjoy special weekend musical events, or host your own private special events or banquet.

### **Lungomare**

1 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 444-7171

**Website:** <http://www.lungomareoakland.com/>

**Email:** info@lungomareoakland.com

#### **Description:**

Located in the heart of the Jack London Square waterfront district, Lungomare offers a menu complete with Italianate culinary stylings and a from-scratch farm-to-table mantra that's taken as seriously as its European counterparts. Just minutes from Oakland's busy downtown.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

### **Nido**

444 Oak St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 444-6436

**Website:** <http://www.nidooakland.com>

#### **Description:**

Nido means 'nest' in Spanish. Nido is an inviting space for the local community to come and enjoy delicious, fresh, farm to table Mexican food and drinks.

### **Scott's Seafood Restaurant**

2 Broadway  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 444-3456

**Website:** <http://www.scottsjs.com/>

**Contact:** Barbara Vernon

#### **Description:**

Scott's Seafood Restaurant serves only the finest, freshly prepared cuisine, with a professional courteous staff ready to make your dining experience a memorable occasion. Whether you visit them for lunch, dinner or the Champagne Jazz Brunch, your dining experience promises to be as delicious as it is pleasurable.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

### **Seawolf Public House**

402 Webster Street  
Oakland, CA 94607  
**Phone:** (510) 891-1660

**Website:** <https://www.seawolf.pub>

#### **Description:**

Pub located in an historic Victorian in Jack London Square featuring well executed food and a friendly neighborhood vibe.

**The Fat Lady**

201 Washington St.

Oakland, CA 94607

**Phone:** (510) 465-4143

**Website:** <http://www.thefatladyrestaurant.com>

**Contact:** Patricia Shaterian-Rossi

**Email:** info@thefatladyrestaurant.com

**Description:**

Named after the madam of the popular 1880s brothel, this Victorian establishment in Jack London Square excels in steaks, seafood, and pasta. Banquet facilities available. Lunch Mon.-Fri., dinner Tues.-Sat., brunch Sat. and Sun.

**\*Private Dining Available.**

**Yoshi's Jazz Club & Japanese Restaurant**

510 Embarcadero West

Oakland, CA 94607

**Phone:** (510) 238-9200

**Website:** <http://www.yoshis.com>

**Contact:** Hal Campos

**Description:**

Yoshi's Oakland is where world-class jazz meets world-class Japanese cuisine. Chef Shotaro 'Sho' Kamio has created a new dining experience of modern Japanese cuisine using fresh, seasonal ingredients delicately combined with traditional spices. For spectacular food, music and service, Yoshi's hits all the right notes.

**\*Private Dining and Semi-Private Dining Available.**