

A Select Guide to Restaurants and Bars in Albuquerque and UNM

*For establishments that are more than a 10-15 minute walk from the hotel, feel free to hail an inexpensive Uber or Lyft. Addresses provided below.

Hotel Albuquerque/Old Town (5-10 minute walk from hotel)

Blake's Lotaburger (770 Rio Grande NW) — Iconic NM-based fast food chain, just across the street from Hotel ABQ. \$

Equinox Café and Bar (at Hotel Chaco, next door) — Quick bites and specialty cocktails in this brand new hotel establishment. Check out the rooftop restaurant and lounge, too, for nice views of the Sandia Mts. and Old Town. \$\$-\$\$\$

Garduño's (at Hotel ABQ) — You may never have to leave the hotel, with open-air patio and tranquil fountains. \$\$-\$\$\$

Old Town Pizza Parlor (108 Rio Grande Blvd NW) — A 7-minute walk from Hotel ABQ, located on Rio Grande, near Central Ave. Take your pie to eat on the patio. \$\$

Ponderosa Brewing Company (1761 Bellamah Ave NW) — A quick jaunt from Hotel ABQ, Ponderosa features several signature craft brews and pub eats. IPA drinkers: check this place out. \$-\$\$

Q Chocolate (111 Romero Street NW) — Come early for the handmade pastries—they sell out quickly! Q Chocolate is a quick 10-minute walk from Hotel ABQ just off Old Town Plaza. \$

Quesadilla Grill (328 San Felipe St NW) — A great spot for lunch and less than a 10 minute walk from the hotel. \$-\$\$

Prismatic Coffee (1761 Bellamah Ave NW) — Amazing organic espresso is but a quick 5-minute walk from Hotel ABQ. Prismatic Coffee identifies themselves within the “Third Wave of Craft Coffee” movement. \$-\$\$

Range Cafe (1050 Rio Grande Boulevard NW) — 8-minute walk. The newest location of a local institution, often voted “Best of ‘Burque” for their breakfasts and whopping desserts. \$-\$\$

Seasons Rotisserie-Grill (2031 Mountain Road) — Just steps away from the Hotel ABQ, Seasons is a great place for an upscale dinner of wood-grilled meats and seasonal veggies. \$\$\$

St. Claire Winery and Bistro (901 Rio Grande Blvd NW) — Just a few blocks north on Rio Grande Blvd. Enjoy an extensive menu with local wine pairings. \$\$-\$\$\$

Downtown Area (8-12 minute drive from hotel)

Anodyne (409 Central Ave NW) — A short drive from the Hotel, Anodyne is a great place for casual cocktails and a game of pool. \$

Artichoke Cafe (424 Central Ave SE) — New American fare and wine with French flair. \$\$

Barela's Coffee House (1502 4th St SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102) — A bit of a trek from Hotel ABQ, but worth the trip: the *best* NM breakfast around. Get the huevos

rancheros deluxe with red chile and, if you're a carnivore, a side of chicharones and an extra tortilla. \$

Bow & Arrow Brewing (608 McKnight Ave NW) — The Sun Dagger Belgian Saison is a house specialty. One of its two co-founders is a UNM resident physician! \$

Grove Café and Market (600 Central Ave SE A) — Breaking Bad fame! Indulge in artisan sandwiches, salads and coffee. But maybe bring your own sugar substitute packets. \$\$

Marble Brewery (111 Marble Ave, NW) — One of ABQ's most popular and nationally recognized breweries in cool space with a great patio with lots of food trucks. \$

Monk's Corner Taproom (205 Silver Ave SW Suite G) — features tasty ales brewed by monks from the Monastery of Christ in the Desert located in Northern New Mexico.

Taste the resurrection of Monastic brewing and a 1300-year old tradition! \$-\$\$

Pueblo Harvest Cafe (2401 12th St NW) — Cafe attached to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, about a 30-minute walk (a quick 5 minute drive) from the hotel. Go visit the center (<http://www.indianpueblo.org/visit/>) and stay for generous portions of Native American cuisine. \$\$

Rio Bravo Brewing (1912 Second St. NW) — Enjoy a Duke City Pils, La Luz later, or one of the rotating IPAs with food from one of ABQ's food trucks parked right outside.

Tucanos Brazilian Grill (110 Central Ave SW) — “Churrasco” traditional grilling of veggies and marinated meats on skewers alongside specialty Brazilian cocktails. \$\$

Vinaigrette (1828 Central Ave SW) –Salad bistro heaven. From the Kale to the Nutty Pear-fessor salads, most produce comes from owner Erin Wade's farm in Nambe, New Mexico. \$\$

UNM Area (Friday afternoon, or 12-15 minute drive from hotel)

Cheba Hut (115 Harvard Dr SE) — Toasted Subs and outdoor dining. Veggie and meat sandwiches, as well as salads. Fixins' are extensive. \$

El Patio (142 Harvard Dr SE) — New Mexican fare with tasty vegetarian options. The complementary stuffed sopapillas (drizzle the honey!) with your entrée are a nice complement to any dish. Try the thirst-quenching, heat-beating watermelon limeaid to wash it all down. \$

Frontier (2400 Central Ave SE) — Since 1972, this diner is a local institution. It has offered starving students, locals, and foodies filling New Mexican food at a steal. Enjoy the bustle and panoply of Western art within as you sink into a carne adovada burrito, enchiladas or posole. The giant sweet roll is a must. \$

Mazaya Café (120 Harvard Dr SE) — This newer establishment features eastern Mediterranean cuisine. Try the Momos, or Asian inspired dumplings with Arabian spiced beef, chicken or veggie fillings. \$

Namaste (110 Yale Blvd SE) — Indian and Nepalese cuisine. Features an extensive menu, though its lunch buffet offers a taste of both worlds at a great price. \$

Naruto (2110 Central Ave SE) — Authentic Japanese fare featuring noodle bowls (no sushi!). Try the Tonkotsu bowl, with its hearty pork broth and meaty noodles. Sake, too. Foodies swear it's straight out of Tokyo! \$

Poki-Poki Cevicheria (2300 Central Ave SE Suite B) — Asian-Latin fusion featuring Hawaiian Poké bowls. Create your own with Ahi Tuna or Peruvian Ceviche served on a bed salad, rice or chips topped with Tosa-Mi or Fusion Mayo sauce. Yum! \$-\$\$

Rude Boy Cookies (115 Harvard Dr SE #7) — How about some dessert? Enjoy flavored milks and cookies to ska music. Come with your fly blazer and rolled up cuffs. \$

Satellite (2300 Central Ave SE) — Local café features artisan coffee, breakfast and tasty sandwiches. \$-\$\$

SUB (UNM Student Union Building) — features Blake’s LotaBurger, Chick Fil-A, Mandalay Express, Satellite Coffee Shop, Subway, Twister’s and WisePies Pizza. \$

Nob Hill (beside UNM, 12-15 minute drive from hotel)

B2B (Bistronomy: Beers to Burgers) (3118 Central Ave SE) — Burgers (including some savory meat-free options), fries, and a huge selection of NM local microbrews and vintages. \$\$

Bosque Brewing Public House (106 Girard Blvd SE, Ste. B) — Another New Mexican microbrewery, located oh-so-close to campus. A fine choice of craft ales and beer. The Scotia Scotch Ale is nice and bold! \$

Elaine’s (3503 Central Ave NE) — Cozy upscale American. Dinner only. Follow your Fried Alaskan Halibut with their Aged Balsamic Nutella Semifreddo. \$\$\$

Monte Vista Fire Station Restaurant (3201 Central Ave NE) — Once an ABQ fire-station, now a multi-level bar featuring beer and cocktails and live weekend music. Bring the house down! \$-\$\$

Nob Hill Bar and Grill (3128 Central Ave SE) — An “upscale grill” featuring salads, burgers and sandwiches alongside a selection of local craft brews. \$-\$\$

Pete’s Frites (3407 Central Ave NE) — Smashburger? That new craze, anyone? Fries made on site with a great choice of dipping sauces? Here you go. \$

Scalo Northern Italian Grill (3500 Central Ave SE) — Upscale restaurant featuring Italian and American fare with an excellent Bloody Mary bar. \$\$-\$\$\$

The Shop (2933 Monte Vista Blvd NE) — Hipsters, avoid. Unpretentious American fare with succulent New Mexican twist and flavors. Great breakfast and lunch. So good, the food runs out before dinner. \$

Tractor Brewing (118 Tulane Dr SE) — Traditional and seasonal craft beers off Route 66. There’s a different food truck outside for that beer-induced hunger. \$

Two Fools Tavern (3211 Central Ave NE) — Irish food and drink, includes a wide array of single malts. Great for the pub atmosphere and the craic! \$-\$\$

Yanni’s Mediterranean Bar and Grill (3109 Central Ave NE) — Good place for cocktails and appetizers — you may even decide to stay for dinner. \$\$-\$\$\$

Zacatecas Tacos & Tequila (3423 Central Ave. NE) — Located in Nob Hill near the UNM campus, Zacatecas features a wide selection of ... you guessed it, tacos and tequilas, surrounded by some local art. \$\$

Zinc Wine Bar and Bistro (3009 Central Ave NE) – American bistro fare with a great ambiance. After some tasty Chicken Paillard Piccata or Idaho Red Ruby Trout, head downstairs to the Cellar Bar for some music and specialty cocktails, like the “Albuquerque Old Fashioned” or “Rome with a View.” \$\$-\$\$\$