Hamptons Date Night Dining: Food, Scenery, and Celebrities





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Countless single celebrities and <u>celebrity couples</u> alike flock to the Hamptons during the summer, and there is no reason to miss out on the action. The waterfront properties, beautiful beaches, and delicious food don't have to be confined to Instagram posts of the rich and famous. Get a taste of the celebrity lifestyle by dinning out at some of the great restaurants on Long Island's east end.

The food served at these Hamptons restaurants draws a date night crowd, and celebrities are no strangers to that group.

Eating Italian

If you are traveling to the east end in search of authentic Italian cuisine, you're in luck. Several restaurants in the Hamptons offer authentic Italian menus that incorporate fresh fish from surrounding waters. Serafina in East Hampton offers authentic Italian cuisine at prices that won't break the bank, and the atmosphere still has that signature laid back, beach vibe signature to the area. Also offering authentic Italian food in East Hampton is Nick & Toni's. In addition to a full dinner and dessert menu, Nick & Toni's features a long, diverse brunch menu.

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From oven baked french toast to a Montauk fish burger, there is no more classic Hamptons experience than brunch at a local restaurant. The theme of Italian cuisine continues at Osteria Salina in Wainscott. The restaurant buys local from farmers and fisherman to create their Sicilian-inspired dishes.

Eating American

If you're looking for more of a classic American dish, or goto summer foods, 75 Main in South Hampton offers a menu filled with burgers, variations on a BLT, lobster rolls, and seafood dishes. Also serving up an American style menu is the East Hampton Grill in East Hampton. Their menu features a fresh fish of the day, along with crab cakes, barbecued burgers and ribs, and some salads—including a scallop salad, a blue cheese wedge salad, and the tried and true caesar.

A true dining delight can be had at Red Bar Brasserie in South Hampton. A brasserie is characterized as an unpretentious restaurant or gathering place that serves simple and hearty food—and Red Bar seems to be just that. Like most other Hamptons eateries, they feature a menu largely based on local ingredients and freshly caught fish and seafood. Their interior differs from other hot spots in that they traded in the big windows and natural light for a more low lit dining room, but outdoor seating is also available.

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These restaurants are only the tip of the iceberg for the long list of spots to choose from. After looking through these menus and restaurant picture galleries, it's clear why celebs put the Hamptons on their list of travel destinations. While the dining experience at any of these eateries is sure to be worth remembering on its own, the chance of a celebrity siting during your <u>date night</u> is definitely a bonus.

In fact, Watch *What Happens Live* host Andy Cohen owns a house in Noyac Bay and can be caught out and about in the Hamptons every summer. Sarah Jessica Parker and hubby Matthew Broderick own a place in Amagansett and spend their time in areas between the Hamptons and Montauk. Kelly Ripa and Jerry Seinfeld, two stars essential to NYC, often migrate out east during summer months as well. <u>Scott Disick</u>, former Long Island resident, helped bring the Kardashian family out to the east end during summer 2014 to film *Kourtney and Khloe Take the Hamptons*. Although Disick no longer resides in the Hamptons, his Long Island roots keep him and his family coming back for <u>celebrity vacations</u>.

Eating out in the Hamptons will either make you feel like a celebrity, or bring you face to face with one. For those who

are looking for great <u>date night</u> food and the chance to rub elbows with the rich and famous, the Hamptons is the destination for both.

Have you ever spotted a celebrity while out to dinner? Comment below!