

APPENDIX A



Coqui del Mar Guest House Grocery and RESTAURANT GUIDE

Where to pick up some groceries after arriving?

- Plaza Loiza (Discount style Supermarket)
2253 Calle Loiza
6am - 1am everyday (06h - 01h)
- Shell Gas Station Convenience Store (ice, beer etc)
(intersection Calle Laurel and Calle Loiza)
- Supermax (Isla Verde)
Calle Venus #1 Urbano Atlantic View

Open 24/7 (never closes)

RESTAURANT DELIVERY:

www.foodnetpr.com This company offers delivery from dozens of restaurants, from sushi to Italian, to Puerto Rican, you will find it here. There is usually a minimum order and a delivery fee.

Eat like a local....This is just a select few selections of the many restaurants in the area....however, there are many great restaurants throughout San Juan and other areas of Puerto Rico. Restaurants that we know of that offer delivery will have a STAR * and phone number listed as well. A good resource for restaurant reviews is www.TripAdvisor.com **Lastly, our absolute favorites are underlined and in bold.**

\$ = less than \$10

\$\$ = \$10-25

\$\$\$ = /> \$25 (without drinks)

ACAPULCO TAQUERIA MEXICANA \$\$ 2021 Calle Loiza.

The best Mexican food in Puerto Rico and a short walk from Coqui del Mar. This is authentic Tex Mex and a must.

<https://www.facebook.com/acapulcotaqueriamexicana>

AL FRESCO: \$\$ 156 Sol Street (3rd floor). In Old San Juan, this is one of 3 restaurants connected together. This offers a romantic rooftop deck/wine bar with French influenced Puerto Rican cuisine. Its also a historic building with an interesting history (posted on their walls)

BAGUA: \$\$ Maria Mozco Street #51. 787-200-9616 A must during your stay. Local cuisine, good prices. Try the TacoViche (their specialty).

<http://www.baguarestaurant.com/>

B DE BURRO: \$\$ 2000 Calle McLeary Good Mexican food at reasonable prices. Next to Kasaltas. Head west from us onto McCleary Avenue. Wednesday is happy hour all day! 2 for 1 for the flavored margaritas only.

<http://www.labdeburro.com/> (15 minutes walk west)

BASILIA'S (FORMERLY KNOWN AS BEBO'S): \$\$ 1600 Calle Loiza 787-726-1008 Open until Midnight every night! This is on Calle Loiza, about 1 mile west of our location. Many recommend this for a non-expensive and non-touristy place to try local Puerto Rican cuisine. This is good, not fancy, not expensive, but not the best. www.beboscafe.com

BISTRO CAFÉ: \$\$\$ 5757 Isla Verde Avenue, San Juan 787-603-5757 (10 minutes walk east) Great breakfasts and brunches, but also try their pastries. Be careful on the

prices...The mimosas can be expensive, as can the unmarked items on the chalkboard. Ask the price.

LA BOULANGERIE: \$\$ Calle Taft 174, San Juan. 787-721-6272 (25 minute walk southwest) A great French bistro in Puerto Rico. The chef is born and raised in France, and offers the best baguette in San Juan, along with breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

BURGER KING: \$ If you must have a taste of home, you will find this on Avenue Ashford in Condado, open very late. (25 minute walk west)

CABARET: \$\$ In Rio Piedras and just off the Urban Train at the Rio Piedras stop. This has dinners and shows. (not walkable)

CARLI'S FINE BISTRO AND PIANDO BAR. \$\$\$ 206 Calle Tetuan. Old San Juan. Jazz bar and restaurant, perfect for a romantic night.

<http://m.mainstreethub.com/carlisfinebistro>

CASA DANTE: \$\$ 787-726-7310. Local Puerto Rican Food, slightly expensive. Deliveries to Coqui Del Mar are \$3. (15 minute walk east)

CASA MARTORELL: \$\$ Calle Loiza 2444, Punta las Marias. Caribbean cuisine and in the neighborhood. Check it out!

CEVICHE HOUSE: \$\$\$ Find this on Isla Verde Blvd, about ½ mile past the Shell gas station. Ceviche is basically Puerto Rican Sushi...seafood mixed with garlic, oil and spices. Moderately to upper pricing. (18 minute walk east)

CUATRO PUNTOS: \$\$ 2016 Calle Loiza. Cool coffee / bistro shop with casual food, European/Puerto Rican fusion.

LA CUEVA DEL MAR: \$\$ 1904 Loiza Street, San Juan. 787-726-8700 (15 minute walk southwest) This seafood restaurant has excellent reviews and good prices and is popular with the locals. Try the fish tacos, sangria, the Don Q menu drinks and so much more. Excellent prices. (ALSO IN OLD SAN JUAN)

EL DEPARTAMENTO DE LA COMIDA: \$\$ 2413 Calle Laurel (5 minutes walk from us just in front of the Shell gas station). , Vegetarian restaurant and open market serving locally produced everything! Unique concept. Good food. And for the moment, no liquor license so they let you bring your own (pick up something at the Shell).
<http://www.efectosombrilla.org>

* DOMINO'S PIZZA: \$ 787-726-3035 Same thing you know from home.

DRAGONFLY: \$\$\$ This is in Old San Juan. Upscale and trendy jazz bar with good food. Moderate to high prices. (not walkable)

EL MESON: \$ Puerto Rican version of Subway, only much tastier. This is a small chain with one location in Plaza las Americas, another in Old San Juan, and several others.
www.ELMesonSandwiches.com

EL TRIPLETON: \$ Corner of Calle Loiza and Calle Tapia. 787-208-7343 Amazing, must try sandwiches from a food truck, late night, after bar hopping. Call ahead for a quick drive by pick up.

FRESH MART: \$\$ 1310 Ave Ashford. Think Whole Foods. This offers a deli with both vegetarian and meat lover options, with good beer selection and grocery store on first floor.

JOSE ENRIQUE: \$\$\$ 176 Calle Duffaut. This has been named as one of the top restaurants in Puerto Rico by Conde Nest. It is near La Placita, which makes for an authentic evening with salsa dancing in the streets. perfect evening out (especially Thursday/Friday/Saturday). No reservations so arrive before 7pm.

KASALTA: \$\$ 1966 Calle McLeary This is a mainstay of Ocean Park and is popular at all hours. Breakfasts, Sandwiches, pastries, and dining. I recommend going here for a good dessert and coffee. (15 minute walk west). The Très Leches Cake is my personal favorite. www.Kasalta.com

LA MALA VIDA: \$\$ 150 Calle San Sebastien. Unlimited mimosa brunch for less than \$30 per person. Call for reservations. 787-446-3496 (<http://lamalavidapr.com/>)

LA PUNTA LAS MARIAS: \$ This started as a liquor store, but since people tended to hang out, they started a small bar. People hung out more and got hungry, so now they serve simple Puerto Rican food. Very good and very reasonably priced. Great beer selections.

LA TASCA DE LEON: \$ 2413 Calle Laurel. 787-230-0905. This has THE best lunch specials that I have found, at \$6.95 for a full meal (from 11-2pm daily). Their sangria comes in 16 oz glasses for \$4. Their dinners are more expected pricing.

LEVIS: \$\$ Open 24/7. 2473 Calle Loiza. 787-727-3322 Just 400 meters west of our location on Isla Verde Blvd. Free WiFi and secure parking, this is a casual and moderately

priced option (low priced for breakfast). Try the Churasco (skirt steak with garlic and spices) (8 minute walk east)

LIN'S: \$\$ Plazoleta Isla Verde. 787-791-6635. Chinese Restaurant with all the usual offerings. \$20 minimum delivery order.

LOTE 23: \$\$ 1552 Ave Ponce de Leon. For a night out with the hip crowd, this is the new hot spot. A group of 23 high end food trucks offering food, cocktails and on weekend nights, live salsa music, this can be a fun night out. Giant Jenga also.

MADE IN PUERTO RICO: \$\$ 1859 Calle Loiza Puerto Rican food and one of the newest restaurants on Calle Loiza.
<https://www.facebook.com/madeinpuertoricofonda/>

MANGOS: \$\$ 57 Calle Maria Mozco 787-998-8111 One of my favorite lunch spots. They serve Caribbean/Puerto Rican fusion cuisine at reasonable prices, especially their lunch specials and do not miss Two for Tuesday appetizers (it's the double the portion size for single size price...Make a meal of just appetizers - one per person is usually plenty!
<http://mangosoceanpark.com>

MARMELADE: \$\$\$ 317 Forteleza Street, Old San Juan 787-724-3969. Haut Cuisine, Puerto Rico fusion with renowned Chef and owner Peter Schintler.
<http://www.marmaladepr.com>

MERE PASCAO: \$\$ 1915 Calle Loiza. Puerto Rican seafood restaurant. Very new.

MOLINI'S: \$\$ 1902 Calle Loiza. 787-726-2024. Local Puerto Rican food in an intimate setting, reasonably priced.

Highly recommended. Breakfast/lunch/dinner. Call ahead for open times:

1919: \$\$\$\$ 1055 Ashford Avenue (in the Condado Vanderbilt hotel). Ultra high dining. For a special occasion when you want the best. A bit pricy – count on \$100 per person with drinks. Neal, Noyda's husband, works here so let him know you are going. <http://www.1919restaurant.com/>

OCEANO'S: \$\$\$ 2 Vendig Street, Condado, 787-724-6300
Newer high end and trendy, South Miami Beach style bar and restaurant, just next to Atlantic Beach Hotel in Condado. Dinners or just drinks beachfront. (30 minute walk west)
<http://oceanopr.com>

OROZCO'S: \$\$ 1126 Avenue Ashford, Condado, 787-721-7669
Honestly the best mofongo I have had in Puerto Rico. For one, they offer several different varieties (yucca, plantain, or even sweet plantain – this last one was my favorite, stuffed with meat, it is a meal or tri the trifongo – a mix of all three).

PAMELAS Beachside dining, \$\$\$ 1 Calle Santa Ana, 866-726-5010 actually on the beach. Moderate to expensive. (15 minute walk west on beach)
www.numero1guesthouse.com/tropical-cuisine

*PERROS LOCOS: \$\$ 2016 Calle Loiza. "Crazy dogs" serves gourmet hot dogs and hamburgers. They also deliver. 206-414-2578.

PINKY'S: \$ 1902 Calle Loiza. Great breakfasts, healthy fruit smoothies, and sandwiches. Sort of a surferesque feel.

POLLO TROPICAL: \$ Calle Loiza/ Esquina Jacaranda, Punta Las Marias. 787-728-1012. 500 meters east of our location, just past Shell gas station. Puerto Rican style fast food with a drive through. (8 minutes walk east)

PINONES (general area): \$\$ Great ocean front dining in a very casual atmosphere with very reasonable prices. Pinones looks like just a bunch of shacks on the beach, but you will find great ceviche, churasco, and other local delights here. I recommend "The Reef" - great views, good food and prices, though I have not tried all the Pinones restaurants.

RIO: \$\$ College bar hangout with cheap drinks and good food.

LA SAMBROSA ROSA: \$\$ Good place to check out in Old San Juan for the atmosphere.

STREET VENDORS/BEACH VENDORS: \$ (download the app!) Some of my favorite meals are the ones with no address...the Hot Dog lady on the weekends near Hosteleria del Mar, the empanadas offered on the beach (mostly weekends), shakes near Parque Barbosa (weekends only), fresh coconuts from the Coconut Man across from Pollo Tropical east of our location, etc...

SUPERMAX (Condado location): \$ Grocery store with full cafeteria and one of my favorite places to eat/take out for a casual and cheap Puerto Rican cuisine. Try the Pollo Guisado (stewed chicken) with Arroz and Habichuelas as sides. One meal could easily feed 2 people for about \$7.

*CEN KINTARO SUSHI RESTAURANT: \$\$\$ Delivers! 787-726-3096

TAIGUEY BEACH BAR: \$\$ 2478 Isla Verde Ave, 787-727-6880. A beach themed restaurant and bar with local food and specialty drinks and more of a local crowd.

TOMATES: Mexican restaurant. Nothing particular special food wise but their margarita menu is amazing. 20+ different flavors and happy hour on Wednesdays.

UVAS: \$\$\$ 1 Tapia Street. Casual to upscale beachside restaurant with moderate to upper prices, good food and service. As there are no public restrooms on the beach, I sometimes buy a drink here and use their restrooms.
<http://www.hosteriademarpr.com/Restaurant/Restaurant.html>

YOGEN FRUZ: \$ 1863 Calle McLeary. Frozen Yogurt with a local clientele.



Some further advice:

Where to go for breakfast?

- Bistro Cafe 5757 Isla Verde Avenue (a bit expensive)
- Kasalta 1966 Calle McLeary
- Levi's 2473 Calle Loiza
- Pinky's on Calle Loiza (20 min walk)

Where to go for Sunday brunch ?

- La Mala vida. Unlimited mimosa brunch for about \$30. Need we say more ? This is in Old San Juan so take an UBER.
- Bistro Cafe. 5757 Isla Verde Avenue.
- Mango's 57 Calle Maria Mozco

- Oceano's 2 Vendig Street, Condado

Where to go for lunch or dinner?

Seafood:

- La Cueva del Mar 1904 Calle Loiza
- Bagua Maria Mozco Street #51

Casual cuisine :

- Inca Chicken 2422 Calle Loiza
- B de Burro 2000 Calle McLeary
- Cuatro Puntos : 2016 Calle Loiza
- Acapulcos Taqueria : 2021 Calle Loiza

Caribbean Cuisine :

- Oceano's 2 Vendig Street, Condado
- Mango's 57 Calle Maria Mozco
- Cuatro Puntos 2016 Calle Loiza

Do you prefer something typical of the Puerto Rico:

- SuperMax (cafeteria in the supermarket)
Calle Venus #1 Urbano Atlantic View
- Basilia's (formerly Bebo's) 1600 Calle Loiza
- Bagua Maria Mozco Street #51
- La Tasca de Leon
- Molini's 1902 Calle Loiza
- Jose Enrique 176 Calle Duffaut

Dining in Old San Juan?:

- Dragonfly jazz bar with good food.
- Al Fresco (rooftop bar, french style appetizers and food)
- Marmalade 317 Forteleza Street
- El Meson. Nothing fancy – like a subway but a local’s favorite. Order a warmed sandwich.
- Ben and Jerry’s. Way more than icecream, the restaurants here offer full fresh made meals.

Best places to grab a drink/glass of wine:

- Uvas (literally on the beach and 8 minutes walk from our location – they have food as well)
1 Tapia Street
- Plaza de Santurce for Happy Hour
- La Tasca de Leon (happy hour daily 4-7)
- Puntas las Marias Bar
- Taigüey

For the best deals:

- www.Gustazos.com This is the Groupon of Puerto Rico. Lots of deals for adventures, massages, and restaurants (and a chance to practice your Spanish).
- All day buy 1 get one free margaritas at B de Burro on Wednesdays (specific margaritas so ask) or at Tomates (about 20 different margarita favors and happy hour on Wednesday)

- Daily weekday lunch specials at Mango's (For less than \$8)
Two for Tuesday at Mango's : Double the appetizer for dinner. Enough for an entire meal.
- Cafeteria at SuperMax. For about \$7 you get a full meal, and you cannot get more local (Spanish necessary).
- La Tasca de Leon : Their daily lunch special at \$6.95 is hard to beat.