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Long Beach Taco Week makes its debut in the city this month

Taco specials happening in Long Beach as part of the first Long Beach Taco Week.



The citywide Long Beach Taco Week takes place from April 20-27. (Photo courtesy Long Beach Taco Week)



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Long Beach is going to be a taco lover's paradise this month thanks to the debut of the city's first Taco Week.

The citywide Long Beach Taco Week takes place from April 20-27 when dozens of restaurants, taquerias, food trucks, pop-ups and other taco makers offer deals and even create special taco dishes to mark the eight-day event.

"Everybody loves tacos and we have a lot of restaurants here in Long Beach that make great tacos," said Leysla Rubino, co-organizer of the event.



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The Taco Week will feature \$5, \$10, and \$15 tacos or combos that will cover the gamut of styles, from birria to carnitas to pork belly as well as BBQ brisket, plant-based renditions made with jackfruit or mushrooms and even lobster tacos.

"It's going to be all kinds of tacos and some of the restaurants are even creating special tacos for the week," she said.

This isn't the first time tacos have taken over Long Beach. In November, 10 local taco makers competed in a taco festival in downtown Long Beach dubbed the [Taco Death Match](#), which also included taco booths for those who attended.

For Taco Week people will have to go to the various participating restaurants to order their taco deals. The restaurants so far include [modern taco chain Kalaveras](#), which is known for the clubby vibes at its various spots as well as for its chicharron and mushroom tacos.

Also on the list of restaurants is Taco Shore Long Beach, whose menu includes fish, tongue and potato tacos.

For Tijuana style birria [tacos](#), where you dip them into the birria broth, people will want to try Teddy's Red Tacos, while vegans will want to head to The Grain Cafe for vegetarian tacos.

One of Rubino's top recommendations is The Lobster Guys and their signature lobster tacos.

"I'm really excited about the lobster tacos because they are really unique and people don't always hear about lobster tacos," she said.

And since tacos are a point of pride for these restaurants the Taco Week will also include a competition between all participating restaurants. So people can vote online for the best tacos to narrow it down to the top three spot before a food critic makes the final selection on the best taco in town.

For more information go to tacoweeklb.com

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