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St. Paddy's day isn't just for those with Irish roots. It's a widely beloved holiday celebrated throughout the U.S. and this year Phoenix is doing the day of green and Guinness proud with countless events throughout the Valley on March 17.



Local Lily St. Pat's Street Fair at Whole Foods Chandler

For those who think this signature holiday is only for the bar hoppers, think again. There are plenty of family-friendly activities going on March 17 like the Local Lily St. Pat's street fair at Whole Foods featuring nearly a half dozen of the Valley's most popular food trucks including Short Leash and Sweet Republic. Kids can enjoy a coloring-pages play area as well as a planting event where they can bring their own containers and plant seedlings. A traditional St. Patty's Day menu including corned beef sliders at Whole Planet BBQ will be served as well as beer specials inside the store at the Whole Foods bar. The Local Lily St. Pat's Street Fair at Whole Foods Chandler is a free event for all adults and kids to help them celebrate the season and green living.

Irish Whiskey School at The Saguaro

Scottsdale kicks up the St. Paddy's Day spirit at Old Town Whiskey on Saturday. Attendees can learn all about Irish Whiskey from the Whiskey Professor and how to make Old Town Whiskey's signature Irish cocktail, The Celtic Pride. After class, participants are encouraged to celebrate with discounted Irish whiskey flights, an Irish-inspired menu, a speaker's corner with Irish poetry and limericks and a DJ playing popular favorite Irish bands throughout the night.

www.jdvhotels.com/dining/arizona/old_town_whiskey.



St. Patrick's Day Fare at Phoenix City Grille

Phoenicians can turn to some local favorite hot spots for special celebrations on Saturday. Phoenix City Grill will be preparing its annual and much anticipated slow-roasted corned-beef brisket, served with a chipotle-dijon glaze, scalloped cabbage and rosemary-roasted potatoes, prepared by Executive Chef Rory Hewitt. In addition to the signature meal, diners who wear green will receive a \$2 discount on Guinness stout.

www.phoenixcitygrill.com.

TEXAZ Grill St. Patrick's Day celebration

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Local Phoenix comfort food spot, TEXAZ Grill, is celebrating St. Paddy's Day with a special brunch pairing the day of the holiday as well as the morning after, Sunday, to accommodate those who had too good of a time Saturday. The featured holiday specials will include Green Eggs and Ham, an open-faced sandwich with sourdough muffins, tomato slices, shaved pit ham and scrambled eggs topped with avocado to give it that signature green addition as well as a Green Milk Punch made with Bluebell Homemade Vanilla ice cream, sour mash Bourbon, a touch of nutmeg and some green color to make it shamrock-bright.

www.texazgrill.com.



Sandbar Shamrockin' St. Patty's Day

Sandbar Mexican grill is putting its own twist on this Euro-favorite holiday. March 17, every Sandbar location will serve corned beef and cabbage tacos, Irish Mules, Shamrock-aritas, Patron XO Mini Guinness, Green Iceberg cocktails and live bands/DJs staring at 8 p.m. for those looking for a truly unique St. Patrick's Day experience. Participating locations include Sandbar Peoria, Chandler and Desert Ridge.

www.sandbaraz.com.

St. Patrick's Day at the Princess

Celebrate the luckiest day of the year at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess. The luxurious resort is going all out this Saturday with three different St. Patrick's-themed specials including the Crooked Golf Swing special where attendees can enjoy the signature cocktail while overlooking the emerald Stadium Course and the classic Bourbon Steak available exclusively for St. Patrick's Day[ML1]. The resort's Stone Rose Lounge offers guests the chance to relax on an outdoor patio while enjoying specialty pricing on three St. Paddy's day favorites: Irish coffee, Jameson and the ever-classic Guinness.

www.fairmont.com/scottsdale.



Tilted Kilt at CityScape First-Snnual St. Paddy's Day Street Party

The largest St. Patrick's Day celebration in Downtown Phoenix will take over CityScape on Saturday for Tilted Kilt's first-annual St. Paddy's Day Street Party: an all-day street festival with green beer, live bands and Irish eats. Central Avenue and Patriots Square will be fenced off and transformed into an Irish festival complete with bagpipers, beer trucks, Kilt girls, a main stage, food stands and drink specials as live bands including Chuck E. Baby & The Allstars, The Persuaders, The Walkens and Arizona's premier Irish rock brand, Keltic Cowboys, take center stage throughout the day.

www.phoenix.tiltedkilt.com.

21 Cakes' St. Patrick's Day Cupcake Specials

St. Patrick's Day isn't all about beer and savory eats, it's also about satisfying that sweet tooth and one bakery is doing just that. 21 Cakes in Scottsdale is offering specialty St. Patrick's Day Green Velvet and Signature Chocolate cupcakes with Bailey's Irish Cream frosting exclusively for the luckiest day of the year. It's a sweet and simple way of getting into the spirit of the holiday without the morning after headache.

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