# GROTTO downtown



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Conveniently located at Avenida Houston, connected to the George R. Brown Convention Center, Grotto Downtown offers a chic, vibrant dining experience in the heart of Houston—within walking distance to Minute Maid Park, Toyota Center and Discovery Green. Grotto Downtown's interior offers a modern look with a rustic, warehouse-style interior and exposed brick.

From small and shareable plates, fresh and local salads to refreshing and dynamic Italian cuisine, Grotto's menu also offers a selection of curated craft beers, Grappa and wine—the ideal place to have your next event.

#### **ENOTECA**

The Enoteca Room is the ideal setting for a business meeting or intimate family affair. This room can accommodate up to 24 guests seated, 30 cocktail.



#### **VISTA**

The Vista Room is able to accommodate groups of up to 49 for a seated event and 70 reception style. This spacious room offers views into downtown Houston and has access to the patio.

#### **PATIO**

The Patio is able to accommodate groups of up to 40 seated and 80 reception style. The ideal setting for an outside event with firepits and a covered patio.



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## HORS D'OEUVRES

#### PASSED OR DISPLAYED

Minimum of 25 pieces per selection

Tomato Caprese Skewers (VEG/GF)	<b>\$3.00</b> per piece
Lobster Rolls	<b>\$8.00</b> per piece
Tuna Bruschetta (DF)	<b>\$4.25</b> per piece
Tomato Bruschetta with Ricotta (VEG)	<b>\$3.00</b> per piece
Arancini with Truffle	<b>\$3.00</b> per piece
Mini Meatballs	<b>\$3.50</b> per piece
Tenderloin Skewers with Parmesan Fries (GF)	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Bacon Wrapped Quail	<b>\$5.00</b> per piece
Shrimp Cocktail Display	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Assorted Mini Breads, Whipped Butter, Herb Oil (VEG)	<b>\$4.50</b> per person
Fried Mozzarella Balls (VEG)	<b>\$3.00</b> per piece
Roasted Eggplant Bruschetta (V/VEG)	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Mini Strawberry Cassata *Contains nuts	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Mini Mezzanotte	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Mini Tiramisu	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Mini Cheesecake	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Seasonal Fruit Platter (GF/V/VEG/DF)	<b>\$4.50</b> per piece
Garlic Knots with Marinara (VEG)	<b>\$2.50</b> per piece
Crispy Cauliflower Agrodolce (GF/V/VEG/DF)	<b>\$4.00</b> per piece
Chilled Cucumber Shooter with Yogurt, (GF/VEG)	<b>\$3.50</b> per piece
Marcona Almond & Limoncello Vinaigrette *Can be made vegan	

#### **PIZZA**

Please select up to 3 options. Gluten Sensitive Dough available on request \$4

Margherita	Chicken Bianca	Meatzza	Pepperoni	Pork & Peppers	Wild Mushroom
\$20	\$20	\$23	\$21	\$21	\$21

#### **CHEF'S SALUMI STATION**

Caramel Popcorn | Chili Paste | Apricot Mostarda | Olives | Assorted Raw & Pickled Vegetables Marcona Almonds | Grilled Bread \$15pp

#### Crudité

Baby Carrots, Persian Cucumbers, Mini Heirloom Tomatoes, Celery, Gem Lettuce, Cauliflower, Green Goddess Dip, Vegetable Spread, Parmesan Dressing \$6pp

## LUNCH SELECTIONS

#### GROTTO DOWNTOWN LUNCH MENU

\$40 per person

Ricotta Truffle Ciabatta

Blackened Grouper | Straw & Hay Pasta with Chicken

Caesar Salad with your choice of protein (shrimp, chicken or salmon)

Strawberry Cassata | Mezzanotte

#### GROTTO DOWNTOWN PREMIER LUNCH MENU

\$50 per person

Ricotta Truffle Ciabatta
Grotto Salad | Tomato Basil Soup
Blackened Grouper | Straw & Hay Pasta with Chicken
Eggplant Parmesan
Strawberry Cassata | Mezzanotte

## DINNER SELECTIONS

#### ARGENTO \$69 per person

Ricotta Truffle Ciabatta
Grotto Salad | Tomato Basil Soup
Bolognese | Blackened Grouper | Chicken Francese
Strawberry Cassata | Mezzanotte

ORO \$79 per person
Ricotta Truffle Ciabatta
Caesar Salad | Tomato Basil Soup
Salmon | Bolognese | Chicken Marsala
Strawberry Cassata | Mezzanotte

PLATINO \$89 per person

Ricotta Truffle Ciabatta

Caesar Salad | Lobster Bisque

Snapper | 6 oz Filet | Pasta Capra with Chicken

Strawberry Cassata | Mezzanotte

Substitutions available upon request. Vegetarian available upon request. Includes soda, iced tea, and regular/decaf coffee. Not inclusive of tax, suggested gratuity, or banquet fee. Menus and prices are subject to change

## **BAR OPTIONS**

The organizer for each event may specify the bar options available to their guests; however, all events are billed based on consumption.

The options available to the organizer are:

#### LUXURY FULL OPEN BAR

Guests have full availability of all items behind our bar & in our wine cellar including rare scotches, wines & cognacs.

#### PREMIUM OPEN BAR

Guests have the majority of bar items available to them; a dollar limit will be decided upon by the organizer. Beverage priced at \$17 and below.

#### STANDARD OPEN BAR

Guests have all of our entry-level pours available to them in each category of wine, beer & spirits. Beverage priced at \$15 and below.

#### **BEER & WINE ONLY**

The beer & wine selected by the organizer will be available to the guests.

#### WINE ONLY

The wine selected by the organizer will be available to the guests.

#### NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ONLY

#### PRIVATE BAR SET-UP

WITH PERSONAL BARTENDER @ \$175

(Required for groups larger than 24 in size)
We will select bar items and stock bar based on beverage package chosen above unless organizer specifies otherwise.

Grotto Downtown requires 1 bartender for every 75 guests to best facilitate service. Additional bar rental fee may apply for 3+ bars. Availability and pricing is subject to change. All Beer for private events is served in bottles & cans.

#### AUDIO/VISUAL EQUIPMENT:

Television: \$75; Microphone: \$15

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

#### Menu Selections & Guarantees

Grotto Downtown is pleased to work directly with you to customize menus to your preferences. Menu selections are due two weeks prior to your event date. Your final guaranteed headcount is due three business days prior to your event and cannot be decreased after.

#### Hours of Operation

If you are reserving outside of normal business hours, there is a \$500 fee per extra hour reserved.

#### Decoration & Entertainment

Grotto Downtown can assist you with your decorating and entertainment needs. All décor & entertainment must be approved by the Sales Manager prior to your event. Grotto Downtown does not permit glitter, confetti, open flame candles. Grotto Downtown reserves the right to refuse any such décor or entertainment if deemed inappropriate for the atmosphere of the restaurant.

#### Room Capacities

Should actual event attendance exceed room capacities, an overflow fee may apply.

#### **Buffet Service**

Buffet service is not all you can eat and is intended for one pass per person. Guests may continue to visit the buffet table until all items are depleted. Once depleted they will not be replenished. Remaining buffet items may not be packaged to-go in accordance with county health code.

#### Equipment Rental

Grotto Downtown may require an equipment rental fee for group sizes over 300 people.

Valet is available on Thursday – Saturday. Valet parking can be arranged upon request only Sunday-Wednesday. Valet rates are \$11 per vehicle for up to 3 hours and \$30 per vehicle for durations longer than 3 hours. Self-Parking in the Avenida North Garage on Rusk St. is validated by Grotto Downtown for 3 hours maximum.