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## DROP ANCHOR AT SAN DIEGO'S NEWEST BAYSIDE BRUNCH SPOT

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The best new spot to down bottomless mimosas on Sunday afternoon also features coastal views and culinary talent that know no end. Residing in a historic beach house perched on the shores of Mission Bay, Tidal is now host to a Sunday brunch. The new “craft and catch” restaurant located at Paradise Point Resort & Spa sailed onto the San Diego dining scene last month with Chef Amy DiBiase at the helm, curating a thoughtful selection of local seafood and craft beverages that, like the ever changing tides, shift seasonally at Mother Nature's whim.

More than a decade has passed since the celebrated culinarian began navigating her way through the local restaurant industry. Posts at Laurel Restaurant and Bar, Roseville, The Shores Restaurant in La Jolla, and even a role as Chef de Cuisine at Tidal's precursor Baleen established DiBiase as one of San Diego's best. She rejoined the Paradise Point team in 2013 in an innovative new position as both Executive Chef and General Manager of Tidal, serving as the driving force behind the conceptualization and launch of the new waterfront restaurant.

Her past may be mottled, but DiBiase's signature style has stayed the course. Her admired approach of presenting modern, light adaptations

of traditional fare ebbs and flows effortlessly through Tidal's new brunch menu in dishes like a gluten-free Baja stone crab benedict, smoked salmon and grapefruit salad, and an eponymous burger topped with truffle aioli and egg. Locavores will appreciate Tidal's lineup of items sourced from beloved local purveyors like Venissimo Cheese, Con Pane in Liberty Station and Mission Hills' Gelato Vero.

Keeping in even keel with the kitchen, Tidal's bar offers an impressive collection of boutique wine, Southern California craft beers and mixed drinks by cocktail craftsmen Snake Oil. Sipping gourmet press coffee, prepared tableside in bold blue Le Creuset stoneware, feels like a natural fit in this former residence built by a Hollywood producer in the '60s.

Tidal's casual mid-century modern design draws from that era when the resort housed guests like Johnny Cash, Paul Newman, and Bette Davis, but one no longer needs to celebrity name-drop to snag a table on the checkerboard deck overlooking Mission Bay. In fact, the restaurant is accessible by both land and sea, with complimentary docking at the adjacent marina for those who prefer to sail or paddle up.

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