

Wet: Hydrotherapy at San Diego Spas

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I never understand people who arrive late and leave early when supposedly enjoying a luxurious spa day. Don't get me wrong, I love all [spa services](#) wholeheartedly, but my favorite part of the spa experience is fully touring and tasting the facility long before and well after the treatment ends, including the spa pool and Jacuzzi, sauna and steam room, and then some. Cleansing, refreshing, inspiring, water is the essence of the health and beauty mentality. And lucky for us, it's no longer just a spa accent.

Aqua-infused spa treatments are taking [San Diego spas](#) by storm, ranging from the all powerful Vichy shower to the all encompassing Hydrotherapy tubs and soothing, therapeutic bath soaks. We have Julius Caesar to thank for discovering the naturally carbonated mineral springs of Vichy, France, and since then spa enthusiasts from around the world have been soaking up the health benefits in style. It's natural, it's effective, and it's one of the most pleasurable services on the spa menu. In San Diego, we can get wet and wild in honor of our health at Spa Gregorie's, Rancho Valencia, Catamaran

and more.

Discover the best Vichy showers and Hydrotherapy baths at San Diego spas.

[Hyde-Edwards Spa & Salon](#) in Little Italy

An industrial-style full-service spa and salon, Hyde-Edwards is a unique urban beauty refuge in downtown San Diego's culturally rich neighborhood of Little Italy that offers a variety of premium spa and salon services. For a rejuvenating aquatic adventure, enjoy Something Else, the spa's signature treatment utilizing the Vichy shower room. Something Else is explained to be an invigorating, exfoliating treatment using finely crushed sugar and essential oils to uncover skin that feels soft and supple, followed by a refreshing Vichy shower treatment and massaged in hydration.



[Paradise Point Resort & Spa](#) in Mission Bay

An island-inspired health and beauty haven, this tropical full-service salon and spa offers not only a dedicated Vichy shower wet room, but also rare Ofuro tubs, or Japanese soaking tubs, in two of the eight indoor treatment rooms. There are plenty of aquatic options on the spa menu, including the Madi Susa Soak, during which you sink into a wooden Japanese tub with traditional milk soak and topped with fresh rose petals to soften the skin while infusing it with soothing, floral aromas. Request your Body Treatment of choice to be enhanced with the Vichy shower finishing touch, such as the Green Tea Youth Booster Body Wrap, during which a rich antioxidant body wrap acts as a fountain of youth for skin cells, improving the skin condition and leaving it looking years younger.

[Rancho Valencia Resort & Spa](#) in Rancho Santa Fe

The Spa at Rancho Valencia is surrounded by natural green landscape, creating a calm and soothing environment that is evident the moment you approach the property. The Spa aims to be a nature-inspired refuge for radiant living, and the organic ingredients, pure essential oils, and healing benefits from the ocean are integrated into the facial and body therapies. In addition to the private spa pool, personal spa suites with outdoor garden soaking tubs, The Spa offers unique aqua-infused treatments. Treat yourself to Water Wellness, also called Vichy Valencia, during which you relax on a massage table in the steam of the Vichy

shower wet room and enjoy a full body hydrotherapy shower. You are then cleansed and exfoliated with Fresh Citrus Body Wash.

[Catamaran Resort & Spa](#) in Mission Bay

Located on the western tip of Mission Bay, just blocks from the beach, Catamaran is surrounded by water, creating a soothing and serene environment throughout the entire property. The Catamaran Spa is no exception, as it offers one of the best selections of water therapies in the city. Although there is no Vichy shower on property, Catamaran practices Hydrotherapy with underwater hydro jets in soaking tubs. Try the California Grape Seed Tea Bath, Babassu Milk Bath, or Balneotherapy, a seawater bath that soothes muscles and enhances relaxation for your body and spirit.



[Mineral Water Spa](#) in Carlsbad

Did you know the carbonation in mineral water will produce a feeling of warmth and well-being similar to that experienced during exercise? This increased blood circulation is said to provide natural relief from minor aches and pains, and help ease stiff joints. Offering a truly unique health experience, the Mineral Water Spa's signature carbonated mineral water comes from an aquifer 1,700 feet deep which is recharged from Cleveland National Forest, about 60 miles east of Carlsbad. Enjoy an aqua-inspired spa treatment like no other with the Carbonated Mineral Water Bath or Roman Total Body Facial, a full body facial that uses rich mud to help heal, soothe, and rejuvenate tired muscles. This treatment cleans and moisturizes the skin, and concludes with a mineral bath.

[Spa Gregorie's](#) in Del Mar

A Mecca for luxury spa services, Spa Gregorie's takes water-infused relaxation to the next level with a variety of Hydrotherapy treatments, ranging from Herbal Aromatherapy to the Milk and Honey Bath, Express Hydro for locals on-the-go. My top pick is Detoxifying Thalassotherapy, which is performed in the Hydrotherapy tub, featuring hundreds of air and multi-speed water jets. A spirulina-rich bath is developed from algae harvested off the coast of France and contains essential minerals and nutrients to restore the body's natural balance and well-being. Naturally detoxifying, this bath will cleanse and revive a depleted system. If you prefer the magic of the Vichy shower, choose your body wrap of choice

and request for it to be performed in the Vichy wet room, with warm water cascading from the rain bar.

[PLACE 360 Health + Spa](#) in Del Mar

Located just blocks from Del Mar Plaza, PLACE 360 is a boutique health spa that offers everything from Acupuncture and Custom Herbal Remedies, to Outdoor Fitness, Nutrition Coaching, Massage, Skin Care, Waxing, and Semi-Permanent Makeup. This great range of natural and alternative health treatments is balanced with Eastern and Western philosophies, and enhanced by the on-site steam and Swiss shower. A powerful aqua-fueled steam and shower in one with various temperatures and pressure points, this pre or post treatment perk will transform your spa experience. After a cleansing steam shower, enjoy the Acupuncture Facial Rejuvenation, which combines Chinese medicine with lymphatic drainage using gentle acupuncture, the Biodrainer facial machine, and Phytobiodermie products. It is a gentle yet effective way to decrease the appearance of wrinkles and blemishes, increase muscle tone, reduce puffiness and promote circulation and lymphatic drainage while stimulating collagen growth.

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