**DINING GUIDE** 

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> LOCAL TABLE'S CRAB CAKE EGGS BENEDICT

Champagne, mimosas, good friends, heartfelt conversation, and belly laughs are the perfect ingredients for a lovely brunch. Check out these Katy spots that are sure to provide the perfect backdrop for your morning out!

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#### Dish Society's Chicken and Biscuits

#### **AGAVE RIO**

1138 FM 1463 | 281-665-3337 agaverio.com Sat. & Sun., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The omelet buffet station is filled with fresh choices that are sure to please. For the most discerning foodies, try the spicy chorizo hash browns or the southern shrimp and grits as an accompaniment. Outdoor patio seating options include an area for adults or a kid-friendly family section. Bottomless bloody marys and mimosas are \$10.

#### BLACK WALNUT CAFE

23233 Cinco Ranch Blvd. | 281-371-2233 blackwalnutcafe.com Weekdays, 6:30 - 11 a.m.; Sat. & Sun., 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Black Walnut has you covered if you're looking for a casual, cozy café. Savor their bacon cheeseburger benedict poached eggs with mini-burger patties, topped with tomato, American cheese, hollandaise, and bacon, served over English muffins. The on-trend chicken and waffles are another yummy option. Unique mimosas featuring Grand Marnier are available by the carafe.

## **CORNER BAKERY CAFE**

19355 Katy Fwy., Houston | 832-722-9874 cornerbakerycafe.com All day

Wake up to warm, syrupy bananas foster buttermilk pancakes. For the carb-conscious, try the power-packed Anaheim scrambler, with creamy avocado, crispy bacon, green onions, and tomato. Sip the refreshing hibiscus lemonade or linger over a hand-roasted espresso. Glutenfriendly wraps are also available.

## **DISH SOCIETY**

23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. | 281-394-7555 dishsociety.com Sat., 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Sun., 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

This farm-to-table eatery offers brisket n' eggs featuring smoky brisket with eggs, smoked Gouda grits, tomatillo relish, and a made-from-scratch buttermilk biscuit. Indulge in the sweet Nutella French toast, or for lighter fare, the quinoa-stuffed avocado with a splash of citrus vinaigrette. The prickly pear mimosa is known as a house favorite.

#### DRIX RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

1850 S. Mason Rd. | 281-371-2749 drixrestaurant.com Sat. & Sun., 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This wine bar's chic brunch specialty is the Drix eggs benedict, served with bacon on a toasted ciabatta, but the



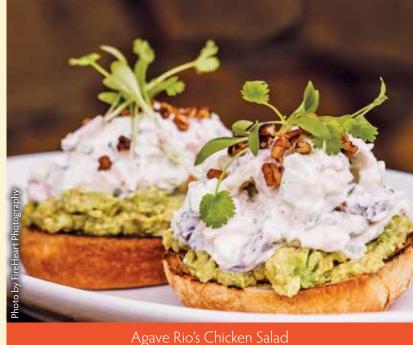
First Watch's Avocado Toast



Corner Bakery Cafe's Anaheim Scrambleı







Black Walnut Cafe's Omelet

deep fried garlic mashed potatoes steal the show. Feeling adventurous? Try a beverage made with jalapeño-infused vodka, and all day Sunday enjoy happy hour pricing on select martinis, house wine, and sangria. Their buffet is only available on Sundays.

#### FIRST WATCH

20220 Katy Fwy. | 281-616-8893 firstwatch.com Daily, 7 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Featuring several healthy options like the energy bowl with housemade granola, sliced almonds, and dried cranberries or the tri-athlete egg-white omelet with cremini mushrooms and green chiles, newcomer First Watch is bound to be a favorite. The tangy lemon ricotta pancakes are a whimsical addition, and the fresh juice bar will have your taste buds, and cholesterol levels, singing.

GOOD OLE BOYS CAJUN CATERING & RESTAURANT 26403 Katy Fwy. | 281-391-4333 goodoleboyscatering.com Sat., 8 - 11 a.m.; Sun., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Transport your taste buds to the vieux carre with French beignets served with honey or homemade apple butter. Change things up with the gumbeaux eggs, poached in their signature gumbo broth and served over jalapeño and andouille cheese grits. A play area for the kids and a dogfriendly outdoor seating area make this a family must!

#### LAS ALAMEDAS

23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd. | 281-347-3030 lasalamedas.com Sat. & Sun., 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. The brunch at Las Alamedas coaxes even inner loopers to Katy. The chilaquiles con pollo is a favorite, with deep fried tortilla strips, tomatillo or ranchero sauce, and shredded chicken served with refried beans. The customizable omelet plates and the lox platter offer some traditional brunch standbys, and champagne margaritas and champagne mojitos are under \$3.

#### LOCAL TABLE

22756 Westheimer Pkwy. | 832-913-6150 localtablehouston.com Sat. & Sun., 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Mimosas, bloody marys, mimosa flights, and Micheladas are among the brunch menu options at Local Table in Villagio Town Center. Looking for more than a liquid diet? The crab cake eggs benedict might be just what you need - poached eggs over house special crab cakes atop focaccia bread, drizzled with creamy hollandaise. Or, go with the popular Tex-Mex omelet.

#### WHISKEY CAKE KITCHEN & BAR

23139 Grand Circle Blvd. | 832-430-2253 whiskeycakekaty.com Sat. & Sun., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

A fun, new, funky spot in the West Grand Promenade is Whiskey Cake Kitchen. Brunch appetizers include fried green tomatoes, edamame hummus, and turducken meatballs. The OMG burger with brisket and beer-battered onion rings, or the French toast Monte Cristo with shaved smoked ham and mascarpone cheese sauce is bound to bring a little fun to your morning date. **KM** 

WENDY CLARK believes that every woman must find her tribe and cherish those friendships dearly - and also share mimosas with them.



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