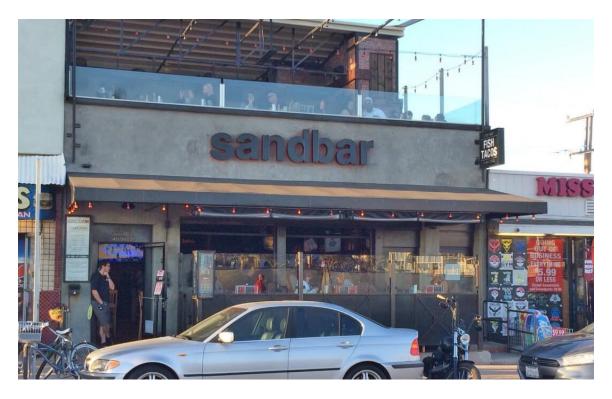


Hidden Gem Alert: Fresh & Blazing Jalapeños Poppers at Sandbar



Are you still in search of a beach bar that not only has your favorite drinks, but also serves great food? Search no more! Sandbar Sports Bar and Grill in Mission Beach is where it's at—and only steps from the sand and San Diego's famous wooden Mission Beach roller-coaster. Although I have lived in San Diego a long time and have visited Mission Beach countless times, I never had the urge to stroll into Sandbar. After my wonderful experience there, I regretted not exploring Sandbar sooner!

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If you are familiar with Jalapeno Poppers, you haven't tried anything yet! The Classic Poppers at Sandbar are hands-down the best I've ever had. The breading is golden crispy with a buttery taste, and the ratio of jalapeno to cream cheese is perfectly balanced in every bite. My favorite surprise of this appetizer is the color variety of both green and red jalapenos—you don't see that EVER. And to top it off, two of my favorite dipping sauces, ranch and a spicy jelly concoction, accompany the basket of poppers. This is a must order appetizer; I promise you won't be disappointed.

One word of advice, let the poppers cool down a little before shoveling them in as they come out fresh and blazing!

Sandbar does fish tacos and burgers, and they serve it up nicely — but it's the appetizers that had me feeling their "WOW" factor. After being WOW'd by the poppers, I was WOW'd by the mussels. Not just any mussels, *Chilean Black Mussels served with a garlicky roasted tomato and chipotle cream sauce. When you're thinking about tacos, think of their *Best at the Beach Style or *SD TKO Style, and when you're leaning towards the almighty burger, go for the *TKO" (*Pictured below)

Your next Mission Beach trip should include a visit to Sandbar, especially if you have a hankering for some feel-good food, drinks, all within a few feet from the sand. You can even head upstairs for separate seating and another bar, and a breathtaking view of the ocean. Get it!

PS: They have excellent parking if you're on a motorcycle, but if you're taking your car, prepare for parking challenges depending on the day and time you go. There are some large parking lots nearby to try if the street-parking gods are not in your favor.



