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**What:**

There’s no better way to savor the final weeks of summer than with al fresco dining during 2013 **Summer Restaurant Weeks** in Stamford Downtown. *Stamford Tables* (StamfordDowntown’s Restaurant Association) has brought back this ever-popular event for the weeks of Monday, August 19th through Labor Day, Monday, September 2rd, 2013.  With 31 restaurants to choose from, all with tantalizing prix-fixe menus, there’s plenty of opportunities to try a new eatery or return to one of your favorites.

To add some spice to the traditional recipe, something special has been added to **Summer Restaurant Weeks** this year.  Several of our **Summer Restaurant Weeks’** chefs have partnered with the City of Stamford’s Sustainable Task Force and four Stamford based farms (Domus, Green Up Group, Hubbard Heights Farm and the Stamford Nature Center) to feature locally grown produce in their **Summer Restaurant Weeks** menus. Check out these delicious menu offerings and details on [**www.stamford-downtown.com**](http://www.stamford-downtown.com)under Signature Events.

**Where to Dine:**

This summer’s **Restaurant Weeks** participants include newcomer **Cotto Wine Bar** as well as these favorites: Aria, Bar Q Stamford, Bar Rosso, Barcelona Wine Bar, Bobby Valentine’s Sports Gallery Café, California Pizza Kitchen, The Capital Grille, Capriccio Café, Columbus Park Trattoria, Emme of Capri, EOS Creek Cuisine, Fin II Japanese Restaurant, Hudson Grille, Kona Grill, Kotobuki Japanese Restaurant, Kujaku Japanese Restaurant, Lola’s Mexican Kitchen, Lucky’s Classic Burger, Mitchell’s Fish Market, Morton’s, The Steakhouse, napa & co., Patrizia’s of Stamford, Quattro Pazzi, Remo’s Brick Oven Pizza, Rodizio Grill Brazilian Steakhouse, SBC Downtown Restaurant & Brewery, Tengda Asian Bistro, Tiernan’s Bar & Restaurant, Volta Gelateria Creperia, and ZAZA Italian Gastrobar.

**Who else:**

Co-sponsoring the event is Stamford Hospital, promoting their **KIDS’ FANS 5-2-1-0** Program, designed to promote health and fitness among Stamford’s youth.  Eighteen **Summer Restaurant Weeks** restaurants are participating in this program and will offer children under 12 years old a healthy lunch for $6.95 or dinner for $9.95.  Once again, the Avon Theatre Film Center is returning as a co-sponsor, so be sure to be one of the first 3,000 **Summer Restaurant Weeks** patrons to receive a voucher for a free medium sized popcorn at the Avon Theater Film Center.

**2013 Stamford Tables Summer Restaurant Weeks** is presented by *Stamford Downtown Special Services District (DSSD) & Stamford Tables (Stamford’s Downtown Restaurant Association).* For more information or interviews with participating restaurants contact Jackie Wetenhall at (203) 348-5285 or (203) 536-7859 cell. Visit [www.stamford-downtown.com](http://www.stamford-downtown.com) under Signature Events for details & menus.

