



## Sláinte! Here's where to celebrate St. Patrick's Day

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The saying goes that everyone's Irish on St. Patrick's Day, and judging by the magnitude of celebrations throughout the USA, that certainly could be true. The parades and shenanigans in New York, Boston and Chicago are very popular and well-known, but there are plenty of other cities and towns in which to find the luck o' the Irish. Let's take a look at the fun to be had leading up to and on March 17! (And if you're celebrating in Ireland, or anywhere else, for that matter, take note – it's St. Paddy's Day, not St. Patty's Day, as one Irish reader pointed out.)

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In Phoenix, the [Musical Instrument Museum](#) dances to a different drum with "[Experience Ireland](#)" (March 14–15): days filled with Irish music, dance, crafts, storytelling and much more. [Taco Guild](#) offers up Irish tacos – corned beef and chipotle mashed potato tacos in green tortillas, topped with – what else – bacon; and [Padre Murphy's](#) is celebrating for their 22nd year with live music, leprechauns, green drinks, and corned beef and cabbage.

Not surprisingly, Vegas pulls out all the stops when it comes to St. Patrick's Day. Hop on [Vegas After Dark Tours' St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl](#) and stop at four of Sin City's most popular Irish bars and pubs... who knows, you may just spot a leprechaun or two. Then check out Celtic Feis, a five-day extravaganza at [Nine Fine Irishmen](#) (March 13–17); the specially-offered food and drinks at [Double Barrel Roadhouse](#); or the St. Patrick's Day Party at [BLVD Plaza](#), Guinness ice cream floats! For Irish-inspired eats, order the "Lucky Roll," a St. Patrick's-inspired sushi roll at [Rice & Company](#): crab, shrimp, avocado, asparagus, carrot and romaine lettuce, topped with cucumber sauce and spicy plum; the St. Patrick's Day Quesadilla at [Tacos & Tequila](#): spinach tortilla filled with loads of goodness; or the Mint Chocolate Chip Pancakes topped with Bailey's Whipped Cream at [The Pantry](#). The Luck O' the Irish Burger at Holsteins Shakes & Buns is topped with shaved corned beef, Swiss cheese, braised green cabbage and 1000 Island dressing, and the Luck O' the Irish Hot Dog is topped with sauerkraut, 1000 Island dressing and Swiss cheese.

Elsewhere in Nevada, the [Rocky Mountain Oyster Fry & St. Patrick's Day Parade](#) takes over [Virginia City](#) with live music, a costume contest, the Ball Breaker Saloon Crawl and an oyster fry competition. Game on!