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Bistango Gardens Holds Block Party Series

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Located in central Irvine, [Bistango](#) is the perfect spot to stop for lunch or an after-work drink. I hadn't been in a few years and recently got to stop by and sample the menu at Bistango's new fresco dining area, Bistango Gardens.

As apart of their Summer Block Party series, Bistango Gardens is offering plates from a dedicated menu with featured wines, craft beers, and sangrias Wednesdays-Fridays through September 26th.

"We are proud to debut our Summer Block Parties being held every Wednesday – Friday at Bistango Gardens," said spokeswoman Karyn Ghoukassian. "This year, we've decided to make it a self-contained and separately operated part of the restaurant where our food and beverage offerings will be prepared and served right there."

I really liked the vibe of the patio with its relaxing lounge vibe replete with palm trees, a fountain, and outdoor cooking.



The menu is diverse and really affordable. It features:

Korean Galbi Beef Tacos \$7

Potsticker Shell, Pineapple Papaya Salsa, Butter Lettuce

Pulled Pork Sliders \$10

Mango BBQ Sauce, Pickled Red Onion, Spicy Mayo, House Made Potato Chips

Grilled Fish Tacos \$12

Corn Tortilla, Shredded Cabbage, Red Onion, Cilantro, Anaheim Chili, Tomato Salsa, Agro Dolce

Souvlaki Greek Marinated Beef Kebobs \$10

Basmati Rice, Tomato, Cucumber, Tatziki

Ecuadorian Ceviche \$11

Sliced Red Onion, Cilantro, Lime Juice, Habanero Pepper, Butter Lettuce, Sweet Potato Chips

Spicy Ahi Poke \$8

Marinated Ahi with Wonton Crisps

Duroc Pork Flat Iron \$12

Arugula, Mustard Crème Fraiche, Fig Glaze, Red Wine Jus

Hummus \$6

Kalamata Olive, Feta, Chili Oil, House Made Pita









I really enjoyed the hummus and fish tacos and look forward to visiting again this month!

Bistango is renowned for its diverse menu of fine American cuisine set in an airy atmosphere distinguished by fine art exhibits and large umbrellas that suspend from the ceiling lending great intimacy.

An extensive cocktail list of classics and house specialties and a 400-bottle wine list that was heralded by Wine Spectator round out the offerings. New to its beverage offerings are 30 craft beers by the bottle, which include some difficult to acquire selections.

Bistango serves lunch and dinner weekdays and dinner-only Saturdays. Live entertainment can be enjoyed each evening in its sophisticated lounge where couples may enjoy dancing the night away. Bistango is located at The Atrium (19100 Von Karman Avenue, Irvine).