

SALSA MAYO

Participate in the May 16th Salsa de Mayo **Salsa Competition**

Are you ready to show off your incredible salsa-making skills? Think your homemade red or green salsa is the best, spiciest, or most interesting salsa in Houston?

We want to taste it at Finca Tres Robles in celebration of tomato season!

Salsa de Mayo
May 16th 2026
3 pm - 8 pm
5715 Canal Street, Houston, Texas 77011

Enter for a chance to win bragging rights, cash and special gifts!

Important Requirements

- You must follow safe food preparation and handling per [Texas Cottage Food Guidelines](#)
- Entrants are asked to prepare **3 gallons of salsa**, packaged into 8-12 labeled quart-sized containers.
- You **must submit an ingredient list** for those food allergy awareness
- You may bring decorations, signs, comfortable seating, preferred serving spoons, aprons, and kitchen supplies needed for serving, and hand fans for hot weather.
- Finca Tres Robles will provide for participants: *a table, a tent, food safety gloves, chips, napkins, and small bowls for those attending.*
- **No power supply will be provided by La Finca.**
- Salsa should be delivered to Finca Tres Robles between 10 am to 3:00 pm Friday May 15th OR 12 pm - 2:00 pm on the day of the event Saturday, May 16th at 5715 Canal Street, Houston TX 77011. All contestants are welcome to bring their own coolers.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I sign up for the competition?

- At this link! <https://forms.gle/2WFzMYTuv8WUeUWd7>
- *(Space is limited - sign up before it is too late!)*

I am a professional chef and/or represent a food business. Can I participate?

- We welcome all community members to compete. Because this is a celebration of home chefs, we ask that you enter the competition as a community member and not on behalf of your business.

How will the salsa be judged and awarded?

- Invite your family and friends to Salsa de Mayo! Everyone at the event will be able to vote on the salsa.
- There will be a special panel of judges voting on awards for specific categories, listed below.
- Voting will take place from 3 pm - 6:30 pm. Winners will be announced at 7 pm.

Category	Award	Judging Criteria
Salsa (all types of Salsa)	People's Choice	Popular vote by audience
Salsa (all types of Salsa)	Best from the Barrio	Celebrating our community! salsa from one of the following zip codes: 77003, 77011, 77012, 77023 as voted by all attendees.
Salsa Roja	Best Salsa Roja	Judges will determine the winner based on taste, texture, appearance, consistency, etc.
Salsa Verde	Best Salsa Verde	Judges will determine the winner based on taste, texture, appearance, consistency, etc.
Best HOTTEST Salsa	Finca's Fire	Judges will determine the winner based on heat, taste, texture, appearance, consistency, etc.

Best Tomato-Dominant Salsa	Best Celebration of Tomato	Judges will determine the winner based on taste, texture, and appearance of the red tomato.
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Questions? Prefer to talk to someone to submit your salsa entry?

Email us at salsa@smallplaces.org or call/text Liz at 832-283-1746