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Houstonians are very particular when it comes to their Tex-Mex and Mexican foods. Certain restaurants are known for their queso, others for their fajitas; and everyone has a particular favorite for cheese enchiladas. The go-to restaurant depends on the mood. That's why most Houston residents have a variety of Tex-Mex and Mexican restaurants in their personal portfolio. It's a good thing that the city is well served with hundreds of restaurants that provide everything from menudo and migas to tamales and Tex-Mex combo plates. Here are some of our favorites:

### **PAPPASITO'S CANTINA**

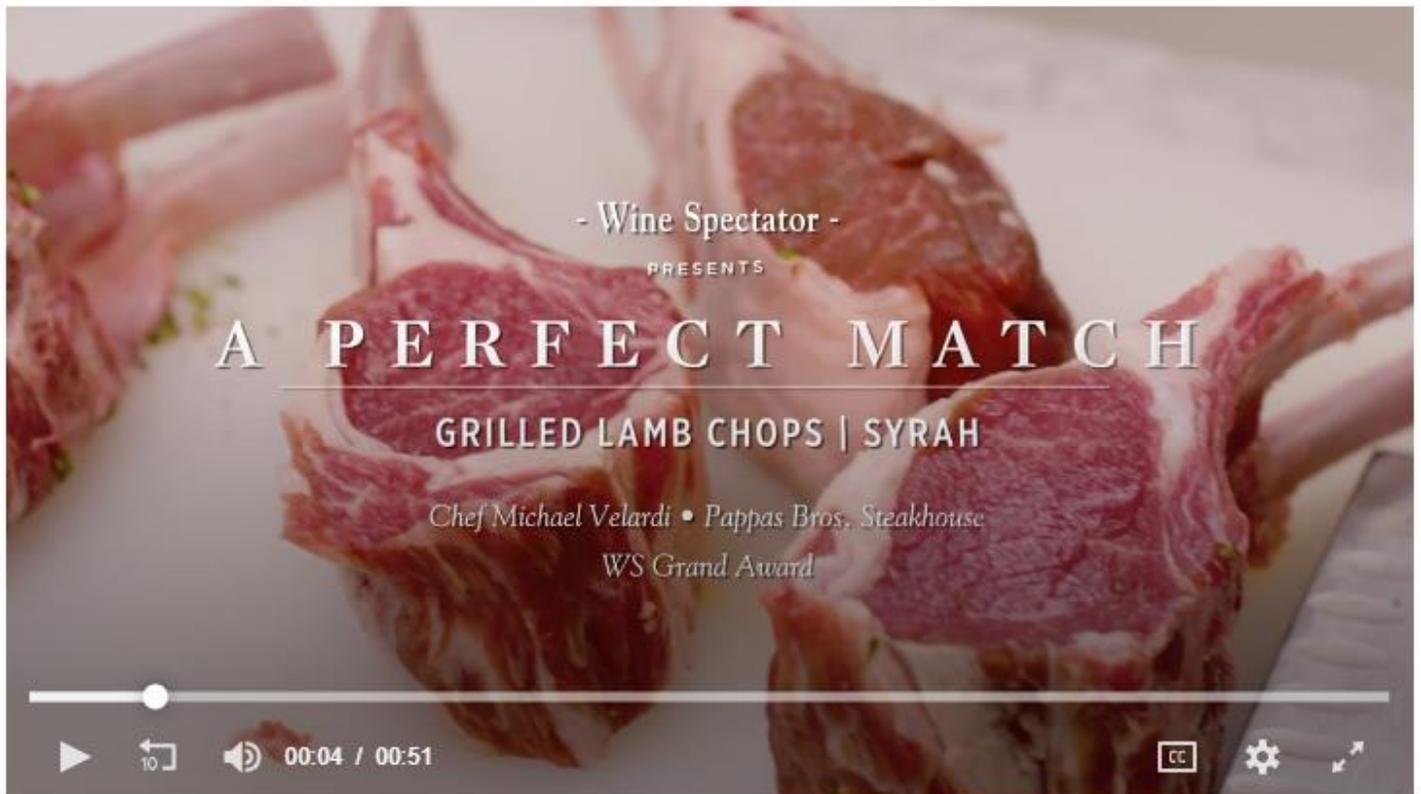
The Pappas family's Tex-Mex standby still rules. Besides the best queso in town, try the high-quality fajitas or well-made fish tacos. More than a dozen Houston-area locations; [pappasitos.com](http://pappasitos.com).

*Excerpt from full list*

# Wine Spectator

## A PERFECT MATCH: GRILLED LAMB CHOPS WITH SYRAH

Pappas Bros. chef Michael Velardi has shared his mom's secret-until-now recipe for the perfect lamb marinade. Wine Spectator's Hilary Sims explains why a meaty Syrah from the Northern Rhône appellation of St.-Joseph is ideal with the herb-enhanced, smoky chops.



Find the video [HERE](#)



## WHAT AND WHERE TO EAT AND DRINK AT COMICPALOOZA

Carlos Brandon | May 10, 2019

Grab your Thor wig, an extra phone charger and plenty of cash, it's Comicpalooza time. One of the nation's premiere comic and pop culture conventions is celebrating its 11th year in Houston. As usual, the convention takes place inside the massive George R. Brown Convention center across from the beautiful Discovery Green. After day one of the three day festival, we've got your guide for what and where to eat and drink on days two and three.

For an event of its size and prestige, food options have always been paltry at Comicpalooza. Vendors are spread out and hard to find, choices are limited and the event makes no effort to utilize the adjacent Discovery Green space for food trucks or outside vendors.

That said, visitors who don't mind leaving the conference for an hour or two will enjoy a plethora of surrounding dining options. From swanky hotel bars to classic Tex-Mex and the best restaurant in Houston, the walkable options aren't too shabby. Nor are the concessions inside, if you know where to look. Just be ready to shell out the dough, and don't try to bring outside food or drink inside.

Breakfast options inside GRB consist of one overcrowded Starbucks with a 20-30 person line around 11 a.m.. Our suggestion, head across the street to the lobby of the Hilton-Americas. The Starbucks there had no line on Friday morning. But more importantly, there's a Pappasito's Cantina at the far end serving fajitas, queso parilla and breakfast margaritas. What are breakfast margaritas? They're margaritas you order for breakfast — duh.

Why not ensure the best Comicpalooza experience possible by kicking things off with an order of queso and a cocktail or three?

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