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SeaWorld plans to work closely with visitors who have specific food allergies to ensure they can take advantage of dining options at the park. — Courtesy of SeaWorld



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Visiting **SeaWorld** but worried about food allergies when you need to grab a snack before heading to the Shamu show? No need to fret, says the marine park operation.

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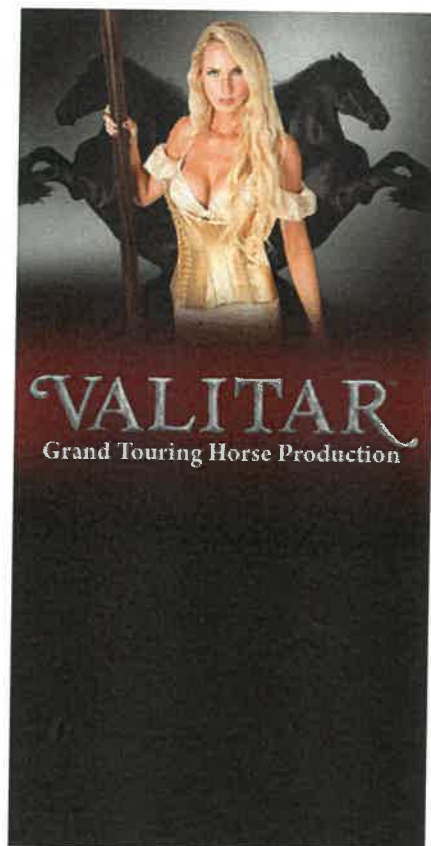
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SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment has a number of new allergy-friendly dining initiatives it's offering for visitors to its 10 parks, including SeaWorld San Diego, from customized meals to new menu items catering to those who have specific allergies.

The marine park operation is working with the **Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network** to train more than 6,000 culinary employees to help guests who have food allergies.

Among the new initiatives:

- Park restaurant managers will work directly with guests on creating allergen-friendly meals. Visitors can fill out "Chef Cards" in advance detailing foods they need to avoid.
- More menu options, from gluten-free pizza to a special Shamu-shaped chocolate bar. There will also be prepackaged snacks from companies that specialize in allergen-friendly foods.



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• Those planning to visit SeaWorld can go **online** to see what the park has to offer those with specific food allergies.

"Families often exhaustively research vacation options that will keep their loved ones with food allergies safe," said John Lehr, CEO of the Food Allergy Network. "SeaWorld has taken extra steps to educate its employees about the risks that families managing food allergies face on a daily basis."

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As a mom of a child with life threatening food allergies, this is such great news! I hope more places follow your example! Thanks!

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