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**INA'S**  
TRES LECHES  
CAKE



**MARCELA'S**  
CINNAMON  
ICE CREAM



**SUNNY'S**  
HOMEMADE  
CHURROS



**MARGARITAS  
AND MORE!**

# The **TEX-MEX** Issue!

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RECIPES

*Taco*  
Tuesdays!

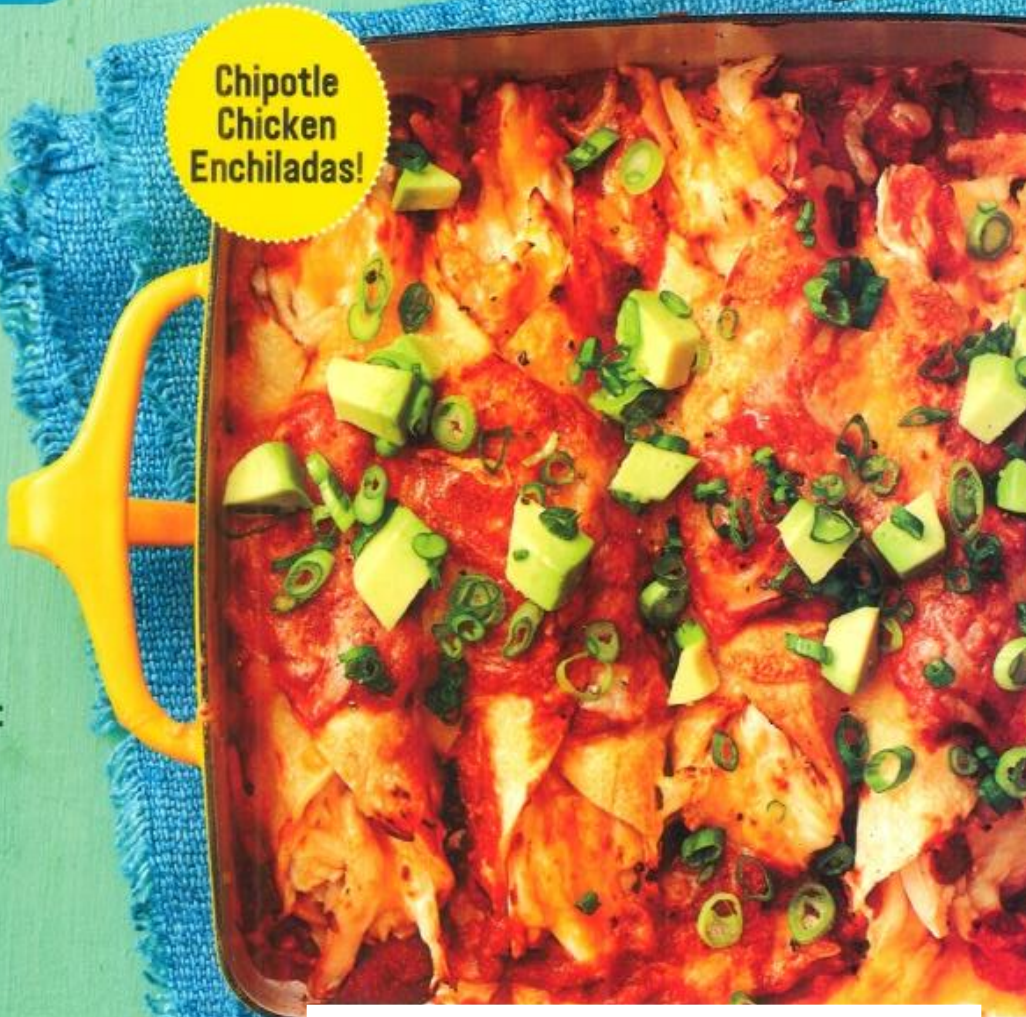
BONUS MINI COOKBOOK:

**50** things to  
make with  
**AVOCADOS**

FUN WITH  
*Queso*

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Chipotle  
Chicken  
Enchiladas!







# SAN JUAN ISLAND, WA

Washington state's northern coast is lined with a string of islands, and San Juan is the one to visit. If you take the ferry from Anacortes, 80 miles north of Seattle, you'll land in bustling Friday Harbor, the perfect place to kick off a full day of sightseeing. In the summer, you'll have 16 hours of sunlight!

## Eat

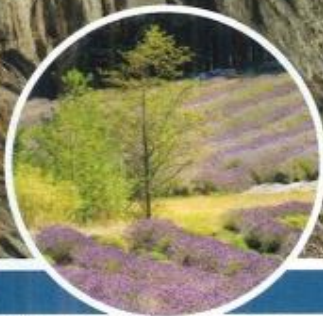


It's a little tricky to find **Backdoor Kitchen**—you need to pass behind a warehouse—but once you're there, you can choose from an impressive collection of international food, including corn masa cakes and Vietnamese duck. [backdoorkitchen.com](http://backdoorkitchen.com)

The husband-and-wife team at **San Juan Island Cheese** sell more than 70 varieties. Ask them to cut some for a picnic, or design your own grilled cheese. [sjcheese.com](http://sjcheese.com)

**Coho Restaurant**, tucked inside a historic Craftsman house, is a favorite for special occasions. Much of the seafood, like halibut (pictured), is sourced from local fishermen. [cohorestaurant.com](http://cohorestaurant.com)

## Do



A **nighttime kayak tour** shines light on the natural glow-in-the-dark microorganisms that live in Griffin Bay. Starting around sunset, a guide leads a flotilla of two-person kayaks for a four-hour tour of the bay. [discoveryseakayak.com](http://discoveryseakayak.com) for dates

You can harvest your own bouquet of lavender at **Pelindaba Lavender Farm** (pictured) and sip on lavender lemonade while you're at it. Plan your visit for July and you'll catch peak season, when the fields are a sea of purple. [pelindabalavender.com](http://pelindabalavender.com)

## Stay



Rooms facing the marina at **Friday Harbor House** have some of the best views on the island, plus gas fireplaces for when the temperature dips at night. *From \$249; [fridayharborhouse.com](http://fridayharborhouse.com)*

The 82-acre **Lakedale Resort**, 10 minutes from downtown, captures the feeling of camping (or rather, glamping) in decades past: Sleep in a canvas cabin (pictured), an Airstream trailer or a log cabin. Or opt for a straight-up hotel room if you're so inclined. *From \$179; [lakedale.com](http://lakedale.com)*