

## Kick back and relax at these 5 SLC patios this summer

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Summery weather is finally here, and all that warmth and sunshine means patio season has finally arrived, too.

Nothing says summer leisure like kicking back outdoors with a drink in your hand and something to nibble on. And you can't beat watching the late-setting sun go down on a warm summer evening from a prime vantage point on a patio.

Salt Lake City has many patios, but here are five that stood out to us because of their location, amenities, beauty, views and other characteristics.

Bonus: All five of these patios have been approved to welcome dogs, so you can bring your canine friend for some patio lounging this season as well.

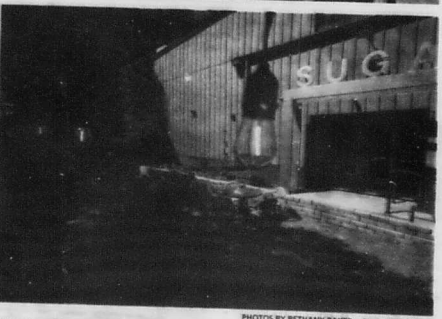
### Fisher Brewing Company

Fisher Brewing Company has only grown since it opened in 2017 at 320 W. 800 South, in Salt Lake City's Grinway District. With several outdoor spaces including two front patios, a back patio, a central patio and, now, a brand-new rooftop patio, guests have more places than ever to kick back with a beer at Fisher.

Co-owner Tim Dwyer said that the rooftop patio is the conclusion of an expansion effort that began in 2021 and included adding a second main floor bar, canning production area, and event spaces in a next-door building, as well as a patio along the front of that building.

The rooftop patio features a shipping container that has been repurposed into a bar, retractable awnings for shade, tables, benches and "really killer views" of downtown and the surrounding mountains, Dwyer said.

Favorite beers for the rooftop bar will likely be the Fisher Beer and Fisher Cerveza, Dwyer said.



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The patios at Sugar Space Cafe, above, and Fisher Brewing Co., top, in Salt Lake City on May 17.

Also check out Fisher's latest mixed-fermentation beers made with brettanomyces, a type of yeast that makes for a "funky" brew, Dwyer said, along with Fisher's new fresh-squeezed housemade margarita mix. A rotating cast of food trucks provides a variety of food options.

If you visit the back patio, make sure to watch for the mural that says "Welcome to Fisher," made by a group of local artists including Josh Scheuerman, Gailon Justus, Chuck Landvatter, Trent Call, Mike Murdoch, Dave Dorman, Chris Peterson and Skyler Chubuk.

### Tea Zaanti

It's interesting how leeching a patio into the ground just a little bit and adding planters of tall green grasses would make the patio at Tea Zaanti feel like it's in a cozy forest, but the effect is pleasant.

This tea and wine bar at 1944 S. 1100 East in Sugar House has some construction happening out front on 1100 East, and you can occasionally hear it from the patio. But Scott Lytle, who co-owns the cafe with his wife, Becky Lytle, said he expects the construction to be wrapped up by the end of June,

leaving months of warm weather just waiting to be filled with patio lounging.

The surrounding mature trees, strings of lights, large shade umbrellas and numerous places to sit make this patio a serene spot to linger with a cup of tea, a glass of wine from the rotating list, or a bite to eat. Tea Zaanti just started carrying bagels from The Bagel Project on the weekends.

While the weather is warm, Tea Zaanti will be hosting live music on the patio every Friday at 5:30 p.m. Every other Thursday night they hold a wine tasting, and the \$15 admission includes a menu item and a sampling of two different hard-to-find natural wines. Attendees are welcome to sit outside for the wine tasting.

For the duration of the construction, 1100 East will be only northbound, so you can turn left from there into Tea Zaanti's parking lot. Or you can access the lot from the back by turning east onto Hollywood Avenue from 900 East then turning north onto McClelland St.

### Sugar Space Cafe

Tucked away at the end of a dead-end street, in an elbow formed by Interstate 15 and Interstate 80 that's just inside the Fairpark neighborhood's boundaries, lies a green oasis at Sugar Space Arts Warehouse, at 132 S. 800 West.

Sugar Space has been a west-side hub for events since 2015, but owner and executive director Brittany Reese opened the Sugar Space Cafe after COVID-19 in an effort to activate the space when events weren't going on. The cafe is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Reese added a cute patio to the front of the Sugar Space building at the end of last summer, and it's still somewhat of a hidden gem, with little foot traffic. With its potted plants and flowers, strings of lights, small round tables and a view of the large-green island in the center of the street, all surrounded by trees, this patio is a calming place to hang out.

On Sundays, brunch is available all day, with menu items including options like the breakfast burrito, classic panakes, pulled pork sandwich and tea menu, and since Sugar Space has a full liquor license, it also serves several house cocktails, cocktail specials, spirits, beer and wine.

An apartment building has been under construction next door for years, and you can hear that construction from the patio, except on Saturdays and Sundays when workers take a break. Reese said the side of the building that faces Sugar Space is almost done, however, so any noise should be moving to the south end of the complex this summer.

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