

## California Pizza Kitchen Opens in Albuquerque, New Mexico and Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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California Pizza Kitchen, Inc. (CPK) (NASDAQ:CPKI), home to the Original BBQ Chicken Pizza and other innovative hearth-baked pizzas, made-to-order pastas, creative salads, appetizers, soups, sandwiches and desserts, opened new full-service restaurants in Albuquerque, New Mexico and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, today.

The first CPK restaurant in New Mexico opened at ABQ Uptown, a new 220,000 square foot, open-air lifestyle center, in Albuquerque. Hours of operation will be Monday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Guests can dine-in or place a take-out order by calling 505-883-3005.

Louisiana's first CPK restaurant opened in Baton Rouge across from Cinemark Theaters at Perkins Rowe, a new 400,000 square foot shopping destination. Hours of operation for the new Perkins Rowe CPK will be Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Friday and Saturday when the restaurant closes at 11 p.m. Guests can dine-in or place a take-out order by calling 225-766-3840.

The menu will feature all of the popular favorites along with the newest menu additions including Sonora Egg Rolls, with grilled lime chicken, roasted corn & black bean salsa, Cheddar and Monterey Jack cheeses, fire-roasted mild chilies, green onions and cilantro wrapped in a crispy wonton roll, and served with tomatillo salsa and ranchito sauce, Buffalo Chicken Pizza, with grilled chicken marinated in spicy Buffalo sauce with Mozzarella cheese, carrots, celery and crumbled Gorgonzola cheese, served with a side of Gorgonzola ranch dressing, a new specialty entrée, Ginger Salmon, a pan-sautéed Atlantic salmon topped with sweet ginger sauce and served with wok-stirred Mandarin noodles, snow peas and sesame seeds or wok-stirred vegetables, Asparagus & Spinach Spaghettini, a new, light pasta with sautéed asparagus, spinach, fresh tomatoes, basil, garlic and Parmesan cheese, Pesto Cream Penne, another new item on the pasta menu with a basil pine nut pesto cream sauce, sun-dried tomatoes and Parmesan cheese, available with chicken, shrimp or both, Pear & Gorgonzola Pizza will be returning to the menu with caramelized pears, Gorgonzola, Fontina and Mozzarella cheeses, sweet caramelized onions and chopped hazelnuts, topped with field greens tossed in Gorgonzola ranch dressing.

The new restaurant will also feature an extensive beverage menu for its full bar, including CPK's original California Cosmo, along with five new cocktails including Spa Martini, Sparkling Kiwi Lemonade, Cherry Limeade, Aussie Splash and Pineapple Mojito Martini.

California Pizza Kitchen, Inc., founded in 1985, is a leading casual dining chain featuring an imaginative line of hearth-baked pizzas, including the original BBQ Chicken Pizza, and a broad selection of distinctive pastas, salads, appetizers, soups, sandwiches and desserts. Of the chain's 243 restaurants, 203 are company-owned and 40 operate under franchise or license agreements. There are currently 23 restaurants located internationally in China, Japan, Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Mexico, South Korea and Indonesia. There are 25 CPK ASAP locations, 9 of which are company-owned and 16 are franchised.

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