

Town & Country TRAVEL

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STEP INTO PARADISE



Top Dinner Tables

While Kauai has never been known for fine dining, these days there are some very good restaurants, most in the north and south. For lunch, don't be afraid to try one of the roadside stands offering coconut shrimp or fresh fish. Most of them are excellent and inexpensive. For dinner, give the newcomers and old-timers below a try.

Bar Acuda Owner and chef Jim Moffat, who often surfed in Kauai before moving here in 2005, grew frustrated when he couldn't find decent wine or Parmesan, so he decided to open Bar Acuda, in the north (it's the first new restaurant to grace Hanalei in many years). The food—a blend of southern French and Spanish peasant cuisine—is served tapas style. The spare decor is Hanalei casual. *In the Hanalei Center, Hanalei; 808-826-7081.*

FROM LEFT: Jim Moffat, the owner and chef of Bar Acuda, with his girlfriend, Sonja Postner; local honeycomb with apple and artisanal goat cheese at Bar Acuda.