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House of Big Fish gets new local owners, to be Big Fish Tavern in Laguna Beach

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With the transition to new owners of the Big Fish Tavern, dishes such as this Peruvian Style Crab and Shrimp Ceviche will continue to please guests

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There is good news for fans of The House of Big Fish and Ice Cold Beer in [Laguna Beach](#). Previously, a notice had been released that the popular Laguna Beach eatery was being closed November 1 by existing owner Casa Resorts Inc., but good news has surfaced that they will in fact continue under a new name with new owners. Jim Walker and Louie Feinstein, owners of the esteemed Bungalow Restaurant in Corona del Mar have taken over ownership, so as of November 1, the restaurant will become Big Fish Tavern.

Walker and Feinstein made this announcement, saying “We are excited to have the

opportunity to add Big Fish Tavern to our restaurant portfolio and look forward to continuing to serve this innovative casual [seafood](#) menu to both the residents of Laguna Beach as well as visiting tourists during the summer season. We've always admired this neighborhood-friendly, unique seafood concept and are exploring several ideas to make the restaurant even more inviting and offer a more memorable dining experience over the next few months under the new name Big Fish Tavern."

Besides improving and updating the signs, patio and renovating the interior décor, the big Fish Tavern will add a new craft cocktail program to the menu. A few tweaks to the menu will enhance the quality and options on the dining choices. The new Big Fish Tavern LLC team plans to make the improvements in a way that will allow the restaurant to remain open during the transition for its many local fans. With Walker and Feinstein as local owners, the Big Fish Tavern will be more attuned to the needs of the local community.

Big Fish Tavern is located at 540 South Coast Highway in Laguna Beach across from Hotel Laguna. Along with unique seafood appetizers and entrees, the casual restaurant concept serves eight craft beers on tap and 50+ craft beers in bottles and cans, plus boutique wines and cocktails. Big Fish Tavern is open Monday-Thursday at 4:30pm at Friday-Sunday at 11:30am. For more information, call (949) 715-4500 or visit online at www.bigfishtavernlaguna.com.

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