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A free quart of margaritas? It's true. Here's where to find Hatch chile takeout deals

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The 2020 Hatch green chile season will be different in many ways.

Takeout shops such as **Central Market** and **Eatzi's Market & Bakery** are already loaded with the usual Hatch dishes from the fresh New Mexico pepper harvest.

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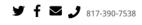
But restaurants such as **Blue Mesa Grill**, celebrating a Hatch Chile Festival for the 25th year, will be packing enchiladas, fajitas and tacos for takeout along with Hatch margaritas to go.

MORE HOT STOPS FOR HATCH CHILE SEASON

More Hatch chile season deals (although **Chuy's Tex-Mex** and **Pappasito's** had not announced their Hatch specials at press time):

- Central Market stores' festival continues through Aug. 25, featuring Hatch soups, stews, sauces, dressings and dishes such as Hatch chicken salad, quesadillas, crab cakes and tortillas; centralmarket.com.
- Eatzi's Market & Bakery stores have added a Hatch-maple roast turkey to a menu that includes turkey meatloaf, a sausage-Hatch pizza, a Hatch-corn quiche, chicken salad and more; eatzis.com.





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