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## THANKSGIVING Celebrated At CALIFORNIAN RESTAURANT MONTECITO

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**USPA NEWS** - The centerpiece of contemporary Thanksgiving in the United States and in Canada is Thanksgiving Dinner (informally called Turkey Dinner), a large Meal generally centered on a large Roasted Turkey. Thanksgiving may be the largest eating Event in the United States as measured by retail sales of food and beverages. Along with attending Church Services, Thanksgiving Dinner remained a central part of celebrations from its early establishment in North America.... There's no Holiday that's more Quintessentially American than Thanksgiving.

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For many Americans, the Thanksgiving meal includes Seasonal Dishes such as Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce, Mashed Potatoes and Pumpkin Pie. The Holiday Feast dates back to November 1621, when the newly arrived Pilgrims and the Wampanoag Indians gathered at Plymouth for an Autumn Harvest Celebration, an Event regarded as America's "First Thanksgiving."

The United States isn't the only Nation with a Holiday dedicated to Gratitude, follow eight different Variations of the Thanksgiving Tradition from around the World:

\* CANADA - Loyalists who moved to Canada during the Revolutionary War introduced turkey, along with some other customs from the American Thanksgiving. Canada's Parliament formally established a national Thanksgiving Day (November 6) in 1879; as of 1957, the date was changed to the second Monday in October.

\* GERMANY - The German equivalent of Thanksgiving is Erntedankfest ("Harvest Festival of Thanks"). This Religious Holiday often takes place on the first Sunday in October, which is often also the first Sunday following Michaelistag (Michaelmas) on September 29.

\* LIBERIA - In the early 1880s, Liberia's Government passed an Act declaring the first Thursday of November as National Thanksgiving Day. Today, it's a largely Christian Holiday: Churches Auction off Baskets filled with local Fruits like papayas and mangoes after their services, and local Families Feast on the Bounty.

\* JAPAN - Japan's variation of Thanksgiving, Kinro Kansha no Hi (Labor Thanksgiving Day) evolved from an ancient Rice Harvest Festival, Niinamesai, the Roots of which go back as far as the Seventh Century A.D. During the Meiji Era (1868-1912), the date of the Festival was set as November 23, and it has remained the same since then.

\* NORFOLK ISLAND - its Thanksgiving Tradition dates back to the mid-1890s, when the American Trader Isaac Robinson decided to put on an American-Style Thanksgiving Service in the All Saints Church in Kingston in order to attract some visiting American Whalers to the Celebration.

\* GRENADA - Every October 25, people on this West Indian Island celebrate their own Thanksgiving Day, which marks the Anniversary of a Joint Caribbean and U.S. Military Invasion of Grenada in 1983.

\* THE NETHERLANDS - It's sometimes forgotten that of the English settlers who traveled to the New World on the Mayflower, some 40 percent spent the years 1609 to 1620 living and working in the Dutch city of Leiden.

\* PUERTO RICO - After Puerto Rico became a Territory of the United States in the late 19th century, its Residents enthusiastically adopted many of the Traditions of the Holiday. They celebrate it on the same day (Fourth Thursday in November) and embrace the same Black Friday Shopping Craze on the following day.

But for many Native Americans, the Holiday invokes a Legacy of Racism, Violence, Genocide, and Mistreatment. In the 1970s, right around the Bicentennial of the U.S., Native People began to gather on the Holiday to hold a Day of Mourning instead, a Tradition known as Unthanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving Menu proposed on November 25th, 2021 at Montecito Restaurant (Hotel Kimpton St Honoré Paris) with Consultant Chef Carrie SOLOMON and Executive Chef Nicolas PASTOT.

"HAPPY THANKSGIVING"

\* To Start

Autumn vegetable inari  
Chestnut & mushroom velouté

\* Followed By

Stuffed butternut with turkey confit, cabbage, parsnip, trompettes de la mort  
Served with cranberry sauce and gravy

\* To Share

Smashed potatoes with miso butter  
Brussels sprout caesar salad  
Pickled root vegetables  
Traditional stuffing

\* For Dessert

Pecan Pie, crème anglaise  
Pumpkin cheesecake

Source: Thanksgiving Lunch @ Montecito Restaurant (Hotel Kimpton St Honoré Paris) on November 25th, 2021

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