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Sam's Ristorante Lunch Menu

Served Monday Thru Friday: 11am-2pm
ENJOY 20% OFF DINE IN PIZZA MENU AT LUNCH!!

Insalada

Salad Dressings: Ranch, French, Creamy Balsamic, Italian Vinaigrette, & Bleu Cheese. Add 1.25 for Dry Bleu Cheese.

- Side Garden Salad** - Mixed Greens, tomato, red onion, cucumber, dressing choice **3.5**
- Italian Specialty Salad** - Mixed greens, Italian sausage, egg, mozzarella, parmesan, tomato, **10.5**
pepperoncini, Italian Vinaigrette.
- Caesar Salad** - Romaine, caesar dressing, croutons, parmesan **10.5**
- Greek Salad** - Romaine, Feta, black olives, red onion, Italian Vinaigrette..... **10.5**
- Spicy Chicken Spinach Salad** - Grilled chicken, red peppers, mushrooms, fresh broccoli topped with..... **14.5**
mozzarella cheese and toasted almonds.

Add Grilled or Crispy Chicken Breast or Grilled Shrimp for 4.00

Sandwiches

Sandwiches served with a side of Fries or Soup. Upgrade fries to a Garden Salad add 1 or Italian Specialty Salad add 3

- Italian Beef** - Slow roasted Italian beef piled on a poor boy bun. Served with a side of au jus. Add..... **10.**
mozzarella cheese 1.25
- Hamburger** - 1/2 lb. beef patty served with lettuce, tomato and onions. Add American cheese 1.25..... **10.**
- Italian Sausage** - Italian Sausage, Pepper & Onions, Marinara. Add mozzarella cheese 1.25..... **10.**
- Philly Beef** - Italian Beef, peppers and onions, mozzarella, au jus **12.**

Pastas

Served with bread and your choice of Soup or Salad. Upgrade to an Italian Specialty Salad add 2 Add meat sauce to first 2 items add 1.50

- Spaghetti, Mostaccioli, or Angel Hair** - Served with our homemade marinara sauce..... **10.5**
- Meat Ravioli, Meat Tortellini, or Cheese Tortellini** - Served with our homemade marinara sauce .. **11.5**
- Spaghetti with Garlic & Oil** - Spaghetti sautéed with fresh garlic & olive oil. Add grilled chicken 4 **12**
- Four Cheese Jumbo Ravioli** - Ricotta, Romano, Asiago, parmesan cheese ravioli, marinara **13**
- Portobello Marsala** - Jumbo portobello ravioli, fresh portobello mushrooms, green onions, creamy..... **15.5**
Marsala sauce

Sam's Lunch Combination

Choose 2 out of 3: Endless Soup Bowl, Half Salad, or Half Sandwich **\$11**

Soups: Chicken Tortellini or Zuppa del Giorno | Salads: Garden, Greek, Specialty, or Caesar |
Sandwiches: Italian Beef, Italian Sausage, or Hamburger

Ask your server about our lunch catering options as well as our banquet facility that can accommodate up to 600 people. Or visit our web site at samsristorante.com for more information. Call in your lunch order and have it ready when you arrive!

Sam's Ristorante Gluten Friendly Menu

Antipasti

- Gluten Free Ciabatta Roll** 3
Gluten Free Pepper & Onion Sausage (over brown rice) 10.5

Insalata

- Greek Salad GF** ~ Romaine lettuce topped with feta cheese, black olives, and red onions in our own gluten free Italian dressing10.5
Italian Specialty Salad GF ~ Mixed salad greens with Italian sausage, eggs, mozzarella cheese, and parmesan cheese in our own gluten free Italian dressing.10.5

Entrées

Served with side salad & includes gluten free ice cream for dessert. Upgrade to a Specialty Salad add 2. Substitute brown rice for Gluten Free Pasta add 2.00

- Di Mare** ~ Shrimp, baby clams, mushrooms, in a red clam sauce served over brown rice 16
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce ~ Whole grain rice based pasta topped with meat sauce..... 15
Spaghetti Garlic & Oil ~ Whole grain rice based pasta sautéed with fresh garlic and olive oil. Grilled Chicken Add 4.00 15
Chicken Portobello ~ 8 oz. chicken breast sautéed with Portobello mushrooms, sundried tomatoes, and fresh spinach. Served over brown rice in a garlic butter sauce.....16
Grilled Salmon Primavera ~ Wild caught grilled salmon over brown rice with asparagus, red peppers, zucchini, mushrooms, yellow squash, garlic butter sauce18.5
Grilled Scallops & Shrimp ~ Grilled scallops and shrimp tossed with sun dried tomatoes and a mushroom sauce over brown rice20.5

Pizza

- Gluten Free Personal Size Pizza** ~ 10" gluten free crust topped with cheese and your choice of toppings. 11.75
Cauliflower Crust Pizza~ 10" gluten free crust topped with cheese and your choice of toppings...11.75
Additional regular toppings are 1.30 each & premium toppings are 2.60

Beverages

- Beer (Angry Orchard)**
Wines (Rodney Strong Merlot or Rodney Strong Cabernet)

Please allow extra time for preparation of the Gluten Free items

-These items are prepared gluten free but please note that they are NOT prepared in a 100% gluten free kitchen-

Antipasti

<i>Fried Calamari</i>	11.5	<i>Fried Ravioli</i> ~ (pepper jack cheese filled)....	10.5
<i>Pepper & Onion Sausage</i>	10.5	<i>Garlic Bread w/ Cheese</i>	6.5
<i>Bruschetta</i>	10.5	<i>Breaded Mushrooms</i>	6
<i>Chicken Tenders</i>	8	<i>Pizza Bread</i>	7
<i>Mozzarella Cheese Sticks</i>	7.5	<i>Cajun Chicken Wings</i>	8
<i>Garlic Bread</i>	5.5	<i>Buffalo or BBQ Wings</i>	10

Insalata / Zuppa

Add crispy or grilled chicken or shrimp for 4, dry bleu cheese 1.25

<i>Family Salad</i> ~ Your choice: Specialty,.....	18.5	<i>Greek Salad</i> ~ Romaine, Feta, black olives,.....	10.5
<i>Greek, or Garden salad</i> (Serves 5-6 people).		<i>red onion, Italian Vinaigrette.</i>	
<i>Italian Specialty Salad</i> ~ Mixed greens,.....	10.5	<i>Spicy Chicken Spinach Salad ~ Grilled...</i>	14.5
<i>Italian sausage, egg, mozzarella, parmesan, tomato, pepperoncini, Italian Vinaigrette.</i>		<i>chicken, red peppers, mushrooms, fresh broccoli topped with mozzarella cheese and toasted almonds.</i>	
<i>Side Garden Salad</i> ~ Mixed Greens, tomato,..	3.5	<i>Caesar Salad</i> ~ Romaine, caesar dressing,.....	10.5
<i>red onion, cucumber, dressing choice</i>		<i>croutons, parmesan</i>	
		<i>Sam's Signature Chicken Tortellini Soup or Zuppa del Giorno</i> ~	
		<i>Cup 3.5 Bowl 4.5</i>	

Pastas

Pastas served with choice of Soup or Salad, Bread, and Ice Cream
Upgrade to a Specialty Salad add 2.25
sausage or mushrooms or baked mozzarella add 2.25
(2) meatballs add 3.5

<i>Spaghetti, Mostaccioli, or Angel Hair</i> ~ With homemade meat sauce.....	12
<i>Lasagna, Ravioli, Meat or Cheese Tortellini</i> ~ Stuffed pastas, homemade meat sauce.....	13.5
<i>Four Cheese Jumbo Ravioli</i> ~ Ricotta, Romano, Asiago, parmesan cheese ravioli, marinara.....	14.5
<i>Portobello Mushroom Stuffed Ravioli</i> ~ Jumbo portobello mushroom ravioli, marinara.....	15.5

Entrees

All Entrées served with choice of Soup or Salad, Bread, and Ice Cream.

Upgrade to a Specialty Salad add 2.25

sautéed mushrooms, onions, or both to steaks add 2.5, blackened add 3.5

- Fettuccine Alfredo** - Fettuccine, garlic Alfredo sauce, parmesan. 14.5
chicken or shrimp add 4
- Fettuccine Carbonara** - Bacon, smoked ham, mushrooms, fettuccine, white cream 15.5
sauce
- Sausage Cacciatore** - Homemade Italian sausage, black olives, mushrooms,15.5
fettuccine, pepper & onion sauce
- Pasta Di Mare** - Shrimp, baby clams, mushrooms, angel hair, white wine tomato sauce. .. 16
Grilled scallop add 4 each
- Chicken Parmigiana** - Breaded chicken, marinara, fettuccine, mozzarella, parmesan .. 15.5
- Grilled Scallops And Shrimp** - Sun dried tomatoes, mushrooms, angel hair pasta, 20.5
garlic butter sauce
- Spaghetti Garlic & Oil with Grilled Chicken** - Fresh garlic, olive oil, spaghetti, 16.5
fresh basil
- Chicken Portobello** - Chicken breast, fresh portobello mushrooms, sun-dried tomatoes, 16.5
fresh spinach, fettuccine, garlic butter sauce
- Portobello Marsala** - Jumbo portobello ravioli, fresh portobello mushrooms, green 17
onions, creamy Marsala sauce
- Fried Cod** - Icelandic cod, potato or pasta, substitute fresh vegetables add 1 14.
- Shrimp Dinner** - 7 jumbo fried shrimp, homemade cocktail sauce, potato or pasta, 14.
substitute fresh vegetables add 2
- Wild Caught Grilled Salmon Primavera** - Asparagus, red peppers, zucchini,18.5
mushrooms, yellow squash, angel hair, in a garlic butter sauce.
- Shrimp Parmigiana** - 6 jumbo shrimp, marinara, mozzarella, parmesan, potato or.....15.5
pasta
- Veal Parmigiana** - Veal scaloppine, fettuccine, marinara, mozzarella, parmesan17.5
- Veal Saltimbocca Romano** - Veal scaloppine, fettuccine, prosciutto, eggplant, sage, ..18.5
tomato, mozzarella
- New York Strip** - 12 oz Certified Black Angus steak, potato or pasta, substitute fresh 27
vegetables add 2
- Rib Eye** - 14 oz Certified Black Angus steak, potato or pasta, substitute fresh vegetables 27
add 2
- Filet Mignon** - 8 oz Certified Black Angus steak, potato or pasta, substitute fresh 30
vegetables add 2
- Mike's Blackened Filet** - 8 oz Certified Black Angus blackened steak, potato or pasta, ... 33
substitute fresh vegetables add 2

Pizza

Our SM is 10" and serves 1-2 people, MED is 12" 2-3 people, LG is 14" 3-4 people, XL is 16" 4-5 people.

REGULAR CRUST CHEESE	SM 8.25	MED 10.25	LG 13.50	XL 15.50
EXTRA THIN CRUST CHEESE	SM 9.55	MED 11.85	LG 15.45	XL 17.85
PAN CHEESE	SM 12.50	MED 15.00	LG 18.75	XL 21.00
STUFFED CHEESE - 30-40 minutes cooking time	SM 14.75	MED 17.75	LG 22.00	XL 25.00
BUILD YOUR OWN CALZONE - Includes cheese and two regular toppings. Add 1.30 for regular toppings and.. 12.00 2.60 for premium toppings				

10" GLUTEN FREE CRUST CHEESE.....11.75

10" CAULIFLOWER CRUST CHEESE (GLUTEN FREE).....11.75

Regular Pizza Items

Sausage, Mushroom, Pepperoni, Green Peppers, Green Olives, Bacon, Onions, Anchovies, Black Olives, Canadian Bacon, Spinach, Extra Sauce, Hamburger, Pineapple, Garlic, Extra Cheese, Jalapeño, Basil, Tomatoes.

Each Topping Add

SM 1.30 MED 1.60 LG 1.95 XL 2.35

Premium Pizza Items

Chicken, Eggplant, Pepperoncini, Shrimp, Italian Beef, Broccoli, Meat Sauce, Giardeniera, Meatballs, BBQ Sauce, Artichoke Hearts, Feta Cheese, Alfredo Sauce, White Pizza (olive oil sauce).

Each Topping Add

SM 2.60 MED 3.20 LG 3.80 XL 4.70

Sandwiches

Sandwiches served with Fries or Soup. Upgrade to Garden Salad add 1 or Specialty Salad add 3

Italian Sausage - Italian Sausage, mozzarella, marinara	11.5
Italian Beef - Italian Beef, mozzarella, au jus.....	11.5
Philly Beef - Italian Beef, peppers and onions, mozzarella, au jus.....	12.5
Philly Steak - Black Angus steak medallions, peppers and onions, mozzarella.....	14.5
Black Angus Cheeseburger - 1/2 Lb Black Angus ground beef, American cheese, dill spear side.....	12.5

Desserts

All of our desserts are homemade and served with decorative strawberry and blueberry syrups and whipped cream

Ice Cream - Spumoni and Vanilla

Cannoli - Fried pastry shell, sweetened ricotta, cherry

Tiramisu - Lady fingers, espresso, mascarpone custard

New York Cheesecake - The one that started it all. Traditional New York Cheesecake

Specialty Cheesecake - Various selections including: Caramel Turtle & Mint Chocolate Chip

Chocolate Fudge Layer Cake - Rich chocolate cake with layer of fudge center

Specialty Pizzas

any substitutions may be extra. additional to make extra thin, thick crust, or stuffed

Special Pizza	SM 17.35	MED 21.45	LG 27.15	XL 31.95
<i>Includes Cheese, Sausage, Mushrooms, Pepperoni, Green Peppers, Green Olives, Onions & Bacon</i>				
Taco Pizza	SM 17.85	MED 22.45	LG 27.65	XL 33.95
<i>Includes Mozzarella and Cheddar Cheeses, Refried Beans, Salsa, Taco Meat, Green Onions, Sour Cream, Fresh Tomatoes, Lettuce, and Black Olives.</i>				
Veggie Pizza	SM 16.05	MED 19.85	LG 25.20	XL 29.60
<i>Includes Cheese, Mushrooms, Onions, Fresh Tomatoes, Green Olives, and Green Peppers.</i>				
BBQ Chicken Pizza	SM 14.75	MED 18.25	LG 23.25	XL 27.25
<i>Includes Mozzarella and Cheddar Cheeses, Chicken and BBQ Sauce.</i>				
Sal's Pizza	SM 16.05	MED 19.85	LG 25.20	XL 29.60
<i>Includes Cheese, Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushrooms, Canadian Bacon, Bacon, and Green Peppers.</i>				
Joe's Pizza	SM 16.05	MED 19.85	LG 25.20	XL 29.60
<i>Includes Cheese, Sausage, Canadian Bacon, Mushrooms, Fresh Tomatoes, and Fresh Basil.</i>				
Michael's Pizza	SM 13.45	MED 16.65	LG 21.30	XL 24.90
<i>Includes Cheese, Fresh Tomatoes, Fresh Garlic, and Fresh Basil.</i>				
Meat Lover's Pizza	SM 16.05	MED 19.85	LG 25.20	XL 29.60
<i>Includes Cheese, Sausage, Hamburger, Pepperoni, Bacon, and Canadian Bacon.</i>				

Kids Corner

Junior portions are for children age 10 and under only please! Junior portions served with Ice Cream. Also include junior beverage Sun-Thur

Jr. Pasta - Choice of spaghetti, mostaccioli, or angel hair pasta	6.5
Jr. Premium Pasta - Choice of lasagna, ravioli, or tortellini.....	7.5
Jr. Chicken Tenders - Served with french fries	7.5
Jr. Cheeseburger - Served with french fries.....	7.5
Jr. Pizza - Personal size pizza with cheese. Additional regular toppings 1.30 each and 2.60 for premium toppings	7.5

Beverages

Espresso	3.5
Cappuccino	4.5
Iced Cappuccino	4.5
Café Latte	4.5

*We proudly serve a variety of Pepsi fountain drinks, iced tea, coffee, milk, chocolate milk, & hot chocolate.
For Wines, Martinis, & Specialty Drinks please refer to our Drink Menu*

The History of Sam's Ristorante:

Mike and Maria Galluzzo and their two young children, Gino and Flo, emigrated from Italy in March of 1973. Two weeks later, Mike and Maria's third child, Joe, was born. Mike and two other partners started Sam's during March of 1974 in Rockton, Illinois. A second location was opened in September of 1974 on Harlem Rd in Machesney Park, Illinois. In 1978, Sam's opened a 3rd location in Rockford, Illinois. In October of 1978, the Galluzzos were blessed with one more addition to the family, Sal. Over the next decade, the partners opened two additional locations in DeKalb, Illinois and in Janesville, Wisconsin. In 1990, the partners decided to separate the restaurants to allow the individual families to have their children involved in the day to day operations of the restaurants. Mike took over the Sam's on Harlem in Machesney Park. Over the next couple of years, Flo & Gino were finishing up their bachelor degrees in Operations Management at state universities. In 1992, Sam's broke ground on this location, the current and largest of the Sam's franchise. In March of 1993, Sam's Ristorante on Riverside opened its doors! In 1998, Sal, Sam's Executive Chef, completed his degree in Culinary Arts from Cooking Hospitality Institute of Chicago. That same year, Sam's completed construction on our current banquet facility that seats up to 600 people. Currently, Sal, Joe and Gino are involved with the day to day operations of both the Harlem and Riverside Locations.

Many thanks to all of our customers that have made our 45 plus years in business a great success. We hope that you and your family and friends enjoy your experience here at Sam's.