

# DINNER MENU - Early Fall

Open Thursday through Sunday Live Piano Thursday through Sunday Dinner & Cocktails from 5:00 p.m. Jazz Trio Thursdays from 8 p.m.

## **STARTERS**

## Oysters on the Half Shell 18

local oysters, Champagne mignonette, fresh horseradish, cocktail sauce

#### Shrimp Cocktail 16

cocktail sauce and fresh grated horseradish to add your own heat

#### Jumbo Lump Crab Cake 15

chipotle rémoulade, corn and tomato salsa

#### Clams Casino 12

chopped top necks, sautéed mirepoix, crispy bacon

# Butternut Squash-Sage Risotto with Duck Confit 14/28

topped with smoked Gouda and sprinkled with pistachios

#### Escargots à la Bourguignonne 13

roasted garlic-red wine butter, with grilled focaccia to soak up the sauce!

## Honey Crisp Apple Salad with Comté Cheese II

Boston lettuce, radicchio and spinach, spiced walnuts, white balsamic vinaigrette

## Classic Iceberg Wedge 11

applewood-smoked bacon, marinated cherry tomatoes, creamy Merion blue cheese dressing

#### Caesar Salad IO

chopped romaine, shredded Grana Padano, creamy house Caesar dressing and toasted focaccia garlic croutons, topped with whole anchovies (optional)

#### Garden Salad 9

baby arugula with cherry tomatoes, cucumbers, red onion, carrots, honey-herb verjus vinaigrette

#### New England Clam Chowder 10

local clams with potatoes, bacon and cream

### Soup of the Day 9

chef's daily selection

# French Onion Soup with Melted Gruyère and Provolone Cheeses II

over toasted crouton

## EXPRESS DINNERS - \$22

Small portion entrée or sandwich, specified sides, small green salad & a mini-dessert--served all at once! (express dinners are not available on Saturday evenings before 8:30 p.m. during the summer)

Grilled Salmon (4 oz.) apricot-soy glaze, coconut pecan rice, sautéed spinach

Grilled Chicken Breast (4 oz.) whipped potatoes, grilled asparagus, tomato reduction

Hamburger or Cheeseburger aged cheddar, hand-cut fries, lettuce, tomato and red onion

## SPECIAL AND SEASONAL ENTRÉES

#### Grilled Local Swordfish 30

roasted tomatoes, potato gnocchi, saffron beurre blanc, fennel salad

## Grilled Salmon with Maple-Dijon-Pecan Glaze 28

roasted butternut squash, wilted greens, wild rice pilaf

#### Maryland-Style Crab Cakes 34

chipotle rémoulade, corn and tomato salsa, choice of sides

## Pan-Seared Duck Breast with Cranberry and Roasted Shallot Compote 32

potato parsnip mash, sautéed Swiss chard

## Short Rib Ragu over Penne 23

with shaved Grana Padano cheese

## Grilled Cocoa-Espresso Rubbed Pork Chop 29

bacon and scallion smashed potatoes, grilled asparagus, mustard demi-glace

#### Filet Mignon (6 oz.) 35

with Cabernet demi-glace and choice of sides (see Simple Entrées, below)

## Prime NY Strip Steak (12 oz.) 42

with Cabernet demi-glace and choice of sides (see Simple Entrées, below)

## Black Angus Prime Rib Au Jus (limited quantity)

choice of sides (see Simple Entrées below)

Queen cut (12 oz.) **36** King cut (16 oz.) **48** 

#### Roasted Acorn Squash with Farro Tabbouleh 20

roasted wild mushrooms, roasted Brussels sprouts, sweet and sour red beets

Carnivores and pescatarians: add a 4 oz. portion of protein to your vegetarian entrée: Salmon-8 Cape May Scallops-I5 Shrimp-9 Chicken Breast-6 Filet Mignon-I6

## "No-Frills" Seafood

served with your choice of two of the following sides: fresh seasonal vegetable, Merion cole slaw, mashed potatoes, Merion potato cup, hand-cut fries (see right for additional á la carte sides)

Scallops 35 pan-seared, fried, broiled or scampi-style

Gulf Shrimp 24 pan-seared, fried, broiled or scampi-style

Shrimp and Scallops Combination 30 pan-seared, fried, broiled or scampi-style

Swordfish 29 pan-roasted or grilled

Flounder -Market Price (subject to availability) fried or broiled

Salmon 28 grilled or broiled

#### ADDITIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR SEAFOOD AND STEAKS:

Béarnaise Butter (add 2) Blackened (add 2) Maytag Blue Cheese (add 2)

Au Poivre green peppercorns, cognac, cream, Dijon mustard (add 3)

Scampi-Style with 3 Shrimp (add IO) garlic, white wine, herbs, extra virgin olive oil

**Lemon-Caper Beurre Blanc** (add 2) **Horseradish Cream** (no charge, served chilled)

## MERION INN CLASSICS

Generations of Cape May locals and visitors have returned again and again for these Delaware-Chesapeake Bay regional specialties. Find out why!

Served with 2 of the following: fresh seasonal vegetable, Merion potato cup, cole slaw, mashed potatoes, hand-cut fries

## Merion Crab Imperial (7 oz.) 32

## Merion Lobster Imperial (7 oz.) 38

chunks of lobster mixed with crab imperial, broiled in a ramekin---like stuffed lobster tail without the shell!

## Flounder Stuffed with Crab Imperial -Market (subject to availability\*\*)

## Merion Stuffed Lobster Tail (12 oz.) 49

chunks of lobster tail mixed with crab imperial, broiled in the shell

Plain Lobster Tail (10 oz.) 46

#### Merion Surf and Turf 49

4 oz.\* filet mignon with 7 oz. Merion stuffed lobster tail

#### Plain Surf and Turf 49

4 oz.\*. filet mignon with 7 oz. plain lobster tail

\*add \$7 for 6 oz. filet instead of 4 oz. filet with surf & turf

#### Back by popular demand!

### Flounder Française - Market

(subject to availability\*\*)

#### Chicken Française 28

with lemon-caper beurre blanc

Recent **flounder** catches have been limited resulting in widely fluctuating price and availability. Your server will let you know if flounder is available and the price.

# À LA CARTE SIDES

Grilled Asparagus 8 Roasted Brussels Sprouts 7 Garlic Spinach 8 Wilted Spinach 8 plain, no oil or seasoning Sautéed Mushrooms 8 with sherry & garlic Hand-cut Fries 6

Baked Potato 4 with sour cream