

Pagliacci's

LUNCH

THE SANDWICHES

"Hors d'oeuvre: A ham sandwich cut into forty pieces." - Jack Benny

- Add soup or side salad add 5

Kinky Friedman 21 / 35

House-smoked Texas-Pastrami brisket, caraway & dill bread, Caplansky's Deli grainy mustard, Winnipeg kosher pickles

- Make it a Reuben: Gruyère cheese, house Russian dressing, banana peppers & sauerkraut add 5

They ain't making Pastrami like they used to anymore

Mama's Meatball Sandwich 14 / 19

From Mary Di Fiore's Abruzzi kitchen, spicy meatballs, tomato sauce open faced, focaccia, baked mozzarella

"My weaknesses are food & men, in that order." - Dolly Parton

Babette's Feast 22

Grilled chicken, rosemary bacon, tomato, avocado, red onion, spinach, Caplansky's Deli grainy mustard, pesto aioli, focaccia

Tastes like winning the lottery.

Chicken Strut Burger 18

Buttermilk fried chicken, sriracha lime honey glaze, rosemary bacon, pesto aioli, spinach, brioche bun

A Funky Miracle!

THE PREVIEWS

Duck Dodgers of the 21st and a Half Century 22

Confit duck wings, honey sriracha lime glaze, sesame seeds, cilantro yogurt dip

Minnesota Fats 9 / 15

Crispy risotto rice, asiago, mozzarella & Parmesan cheese balls, marinara sauce

Edgar Allan Poe's Crab Cakes 18

Dungeness & rock crab, panko, Old Bay lemon dip

A Very Short Story 13 / 22

Fried balls of beef & cheese tortellini, bacon cream sauce, mozzarella, buttermilk fried, green onions, spicy Caesar dip

Children of the Corn 12

Buttermilk fried polenta fries, Parmesan dip

Ocean's Eleven 🍅 17 each

Lemon, butter, garlic, chili

- 1/2 pound Salt Spring Island Mussels *or*
 - 1/2 pound Denman Island Clams *or*
 - 5 Jumbo Ocean Wise Prawns
- On linguine add 6

The Manchurian Candidate 🌿 25

Mediterranean Mezze Platter

Pan-seared halloumi with pomegranate balsamic, olives, black-bean basil tapenade, crispy garbanzos, assorted pickles, focaccia

Pete Rose Headfirst Slider 7 each

Spicy meatball, tomato sauce, focaccia, baked mozzarella

Bill Murray's Meatballs 15

Three spicy meatballs, marinara

THE PASTA

Dishes in RED have been on the menu for 40 years or more!

"It's easier to be faithful to a restaurant than it is to a woman."

– Federico Fellini

SEAFOOD PASTA

Sophia 🍅

26 / 38

Baby shrimp, crab & lemon cream sauce, fettuccine, smoked salmon garnish

"Everything you see I owe to spaghetti."

– Sophia Loren

The Shell Game 🍅

39 / 56

Hokkaido scallops, prosciutto, spinach, chili, butter, garlic, Parmesan, white wine, linguine

We fix it... you can't lose.

The Prawn Broker 🍅🌿

26 / 33

Ocean Wise prawns, coconut curry cream sauce, mango chutney, peppers, green onions, cashews, fettuccine

"A financier is a pawnbroker with an imagination."

– Arthur Wing Pinero

The Big Easy 🍅🌿

22 / 31

Ocean Wise prawns, chicken, Italian sausage, peppers, mushrooms, spicy Cajun marinara sauce, penne

■ If you want it mild, ask your server

"America has only three cities: New York, San Francisco, and New Orleans. Everywhere else is Cleveland."

– Tennessee Williams

Salmon Sing in the Street 🍅🌿

31 / 42

Wild local sockeye salmon, spinach, basil, red onions, cherry tomatoes, lemon, white wine & olive oil, butter, Parmesan, chili, capers, linguine

"I'll love you till China & Africa meet & the river jumps over the mountain & the salmon sing in the street."

– W. H. Auden

Mr. Robert's Seafood Lasagna

24 / 39

Canadian Dungeness & rock crab, baby shrimp, spinach, mozzarella, ricotta, marinara

We're Fonda this dish.

20,000 Leagues Under the Sea 🍅

29 / 36

Local wild white fish, prosciutto, sage, lemon caper beurre blanc, linguine

"There's a fork on your left, Mr. Land, or aren't you accustomed to utensils?" – Captain Nemo

VEGETARIAN PASTA

Manhattan Transfer 🍅

23 / 32

Fresh basil pesto, sun-dried tomatoes, mushrooms, garlic, asiago cheese, fettuccine

You will love this with your Body & Soul.

Super Mario 1-Up Mushroom Ravioli

25 / 33

Roasted mushroom ravioli, tomatoes, mushrooms, spinach, chili, olive oil, Parmesan, garlic

It's worth dying & coming back to life for.

Attack of the Killer Tomatoes 🍅🌿

21 / 27

Gnocchi, tomato-braised eggplant, artichokes, mushrooms, olives, capers, green peas, tomato, basil, arugula, tapenade, Persian lime oil

"Last year, more people were killed by automobile accidents, heart attacks, lung cancer, and natural causes combined than by any one tomato."

Beet the Devil

22 / 31

Butternut squash ravioli, beet puree, pesto, goat cheese, pickled onion, spiced pumpkin seeds

"If people take the trouble to cook, you should take the trouble to eat."

– Robert Morley

The Lunch Deal - all pastas below include a side soup or salad, or deduct 5

🍅 Available on gluten-free pasta (our meatballs are made with breadcrumbs)

🌱 Available Vegan; please ask your server or go to Pagliaccis.ca for a full vegan menu

All lunches served with our house-baked focaccia bread

Whole Beast Artisan Salumeria cures our pancetta, garlic coil & salumi just 3 km away

MEAT PASTA

Hemingway Short Story 26 / 34

Tortellini stuffed with beef, ricotta, romano & Parmesan cheeses, bacon cream sauce, green onions

■ Baked with cheese add 6

It'll make the earth move for you, our bestseller.

The Doors of Perception 🍅 27 / 36

Truffle oil cream sauce, mushrooms, peas, basil, spicy meatballs in marinara, linguine

"A man may be a pessimistic determinist before lunch and an optimistic believer in the will's freedom after it."
- Aldous Huxley

La Strada 🍅 26 / 34

Braised Angus beef Bolognese, basil, mushrooms, Parmesan, olive oil, red wine, fettuccine

"Life is a combination of magic and pasta."
- Federico Fellini

The Cabinet of Dr. Cappelletti 22 / 29

Tortellini stuffed with beef, ricotta, romano & Parmesan cheeses, marinara, mushrooms, onions, red wine, baked mozzarella

Hypnotizing.

Frank 🍅🌱 23 / 33

Chicken, sun-dried tomato, pesto rosé, fresh herbs, Parmesan, penne

*"To be is to do." - Socrates "To do is to be." - Sartre
"Do be do be do." - Sinatra*

Spaghetti Western 🍅 18 / 24

Spicy meatballs, marinara, linguine

■ Add an extra meatball add 4

"You see, in this world there's two kinds of people, my friend: those with loaded guns and those who dig. You dig."

- Clint Eastwood in:
The Good, The Bad and the Ugly

Dempsey's Lasagna 20 / 33

AAA Angus beef, mushrooms, ricotta & mozzarella cheeses, marinara

"A champion is someone who gets up when he can't."
- Jack Dempsey

Bicycle Thief 🍅🌱 23 / 33

Italian sausage, mushrooms, fresh tomatoes, green onions, asiago cheese, linguine

■ Comes with or without tomato sauce

The debate rages on as to which is better.

"There is no sincerer love than the love of food."
- George Bernard Shaw

NAKED LUNCH BOWLS LUNCH SALADS

Add soup or side salad

add 5

"You can't fake quality any more than you can fake a good meal."
- William S. Burroughs

The Simple Fish

35

Wild local sockeye salmon, white wine, lemon, capers, butter with basmati rice & seasonal vegetables

"It has always been my private conviction that any man who pits his intelligence against a fish and loses has it coming."
- John Steinbeck

King Kong's Chicken

29

Chicken, Indonesian coconut ginger peanut sauce with basmati rice & seasonal vegetables

*They took two things from Skull Island.
The King and this recipe.*

Add to your salad

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| ■ Three prawns | 9 | ■ Garlic coil sausage | 12 |
| ■ Six prawns | 15 | ■ Fried smoked tofu | 9 |
| ■ Hokkaido scallop | 9 each | ■ Local chicken thighs | 9 |
| ■ 4.5 oz wild salmon | 19 | ■ Buttermilk fried | |
| ■ 6 oz halibut | 35 | ■ Grilled | |
| ■ 6 oz striploin | 35 | ■ Blackened | |



It's Hard Out Here for a Shrimp 25 / 35

Ocean Wise prawns, avocado, cherry tomatoes, asiago cheese, arugula, roasted cashews, pickled onions, carrots, basil pesto vinaigrette

"May your future be bright...even if you're not"

- Pepe the King Prawn of the Muppets

Pagliacci's Salad

15 / 19

Seasonal greens, carrots, garbanzos, green onions, egg, feta cheese, olives, cherry tomatoes, beets

Dressings: *Parmesan, Yogurt-Dill, Maple Balsamic Vinaigrette, Pesto Vinaigrette, Dan's Secret Ginger*

"L'amor ama gli effluvi del vin, della cucina!"

- Nedda & Beppe from Pagliacci

René Magritte of Brussels

24 / 33

Warm Brussels sprouts, butternut squash, smoked Gorgonzola, garbanzos, baby kale, crunchy quinoa, candied pecans, pickled onions, truffle vinaigrette
Ceci n'est pas une salade

Chicken George

24 / 33

Lemon rosemary grilled chicken, pancetta & tasso ham, goat cheese, candied pecans, cherry tomatoes, seasonal greens, honey mustard vinaigrette

Sid Caesar

19

Romaine lettuce, egg, croutons, Parmesan, Caesar dressing

■ Loaded with buttermilk fried chicken & pancetta

add 9

"CASSIUS: Will you dine with me tomorrow?"

CASCA: Ay, if I be alive, and your mind hold, and your dinner worth the eating."

-Shakespeare from Julius Caesar

Salmon Chanted Evening

26 / 37

Wild BC sockeye salmon, avocado, marinated artichokes, crispy capers, roasted red peppers, pickled red onion, seasonal greens, creamy lemon basil dressing

■ Available with grilled or blackened chicken
Fools give you reasons, wise men try this salad.