

## THE BEST CELLAR

MOUNTAIN CASUAL DINING SINCE 1975

#### OYSTERS ROCKEFELLER ★

Half dozen on the half shell, topped with spinach, onion, bacon and Parmesan; drizzled with Hollandaise 16

#### **BURRATA CHEESE**

Balsamic tomato relish, olive tapenade and crostini; small or large sharing sizes 8/16

#### CHILLED COMBO

Three jumbo shrimp cocktail and 1/4 pound of jumbo lump crabmeat; served with drawn butter and cocktail sauce 18

## CRISPY MUSHROOM FLATBREAD

Fontina cheese, caramelized onions and Shiitakes; finished with Balsamic glaze and fresh arugula 13

#### SAUTÉED MUSSELS

Steamed in a smoky tomato broth, white wine, butter, garlic, fennel, fresh tomatoes and capers; served with crostini for dipping 16

# SOUPS & SALADS

### TOMATO AND SMOKED GOUDA SOUP Charred

tomatoes, onions, garlic, smoked Gouda and vegetable stock puréed with a touch of cream; garnished with basil oil and house-made croutons 10

#### **CRISPY FRIED OYSTER**

SALAD ★ Baby Spinach, hard boiled egg, thinly sliced red onion and warm smoked bacon vinaigrette 13

WEDGE CAESAR ★ Romaine wedge dressed with Caesar dressing; topped with fresh diced tomato, Applewood smoked bacon and crispy fried onions 12

#### **MEDITERRANEAN**

BEET Marinated beets and fried Goat cheese croquet; served on arugula, dressed with zesty pepper jelly vinaigrette; finished with caramelized pecans 13

HOUSE SALAD A mix of romaine and spinach topped with carrots, red cabbage, cucumbers, grape tomatoes and baby green peas

Your choice of creamy horseradish ranch, raspberry vinaigrette, chunky Bleu cheese or zesty pepper jelly vinaigrette 6

# All Entrees are served with mashed red skinned potatoes and choice of one accompaniment

#### **SEA SCALLOPS**

**PASTA** 

SEAFOOD

Pan-seared, over a sauté of Shiitakes and spinach; finished with cucumber wasabi drizzle and toasted sesame seeds 31

#### ALASKAN HALIBUT PICATTA

Seared and served with lemon, caper, white wine butter sauce 35

#### N.C. MOUNTAIN TROUT ALMONDINE

Pan sautéed; finished with butter, lemon, fresh parsley and sliced toasted almonds 32

#### BEST CELLAR TUNA ★

Marinated in olive oil, light soy, lemon and fresh ginger; seared and garnished with cucumber-ginger relish, Hoisen and fresh wasabi 34

#### CRAB CAKES

Lightly seasoned jumbo lump crab, minced peppers and green onion; fried and served over lobster chive butter 35

#### ATLANTIC SALMON ★

Sesame crusted served over an Asian slaw; finished with a Hoisen-mirin glaze 33

#### CAJUN SHRIMP PASTA

Cavatappi pasta tossed in a Cajun Parmesan cream with peppers, onions, Andouille sausage and tomatoes; topped with blackened shrimp 31

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#### ROASTED HALF DUCKLING

A customer favorite for over 30 years! Crispy skin, boned and served over red raspberry sauce 35

#### CERTIFIED ANGUS FILET AU POIVRE ★

Center cut, eight ounces and highly marbled; peppercorn encrusted, grilled and served over brandy cream 46

#### GRILLED NEW ZEALAND RACK OF LAMB ★

Four double chops, lightly peppered and finished with veal-Cabernet demi glace and Goat cheese crumbles 45

#### STEAK AND CAKE ★

The best of both worlds. A four ounce filet of beef grilled and finished with Bordelaise sauce; served along side a crab cake with lobster chive butter 41

#### PARMESAN CRUSTED BUTTERMILK CHICKEN

Panko and Parmesan crusted, pan-seared boneless breast served over arugula and finished with local Country ham Beurre Blanc 30

#### BONE-IN RIBEYE ★

Sixteen ounces, seasoned and grilled; accompanied by our house-made steak sauce 44

Pan Sautéed Mediterranean Beets

Stuffed Zucchini Cream cheese, Cheddar and Swiss cheeses, pecans, caramelized onions and bread crumbs

Steamed Asparagus \* Served with Hollandaise

**ACCOMPANIMENTS** 

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Acorn Squash Steamed until tender and finished with brown sugar cinnamon butter

Sautéed Garlic Green Beans

#### FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE

TORTE Dense, fudge-like chocolate; served with bourbon whipped cream and fresh strawberries 12

VANILLA CRÈME BRÛLÉE Traditional custard caramelized to order with Spice and Tea Exchange's espresso sugar 11

BANANA CREAM PIE On the menu since 1975; pecan cookie crust filled with layers of cream cheese, vanilla pudding and fresh bananas; topped with freshly whipped cream and toasted coconut 12

TIRAMISU A light layered Italian dessert with delicate ladyfinger cookies, espresso, Mascarpone custard, Marsala wine, rum and cocoa powder 10

#### BEST CELLAR CHOCOLATE

MARTINI Vanilla vodka, double chocolate vodka, Bailey's chocolate cream and a splash of half and half in a chocolate swirled glass. It's the perfect dessert when you're too full for dessert!! 14

<sup>\*</sup>These items may be cooked to order or contain raw or undercooked ingredients. Consumption of undercooked meat, poultry, eggs or seafood may increase the risk of food-borne illnesses. Please alert your server if you have special dietary requirements.