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Tip the Kitchen 15

Wondering about the cowbell? Our Tip The Kitchen program is a completely optional way for guests to show appreciation directly to the chefs that prepared your food. Just like the tip you give your server, 100% of this money goes directly to the kitchen staff. If you've had an especially delicious meal, let your server know you'd like to tip the kitchen. We'll bring you the bell to ring and give them a round of applause!

cocktails

The Old Fashioned Cocktail Origin Unknown 15 High Proof Bourbon, Sugar, Bitters, Orange Peel Swath This is the one that started it all way back in the 19th century. Some historians claim the drink originated in Louisville while others stick by the opinion of "I don't know."

Bourbon Bramble by Gary Crunkleton 15

High Proof Bourbon, Orange Blossom, Marasca Cherry Paste, Fresh Squeezed Lemon The bramble is a cocktail from London that uses gin and fresh fruit. We take their idea and Americanize it with bourbon and cherries. It's served in a julep cup which keeps it cold when the weather is not.

Dark & Stormy Origin Unknown 15

Goslings 151 High Proof Dark Rum, Ginger, Fresh Lime, Demerara In the early 19th century England's Royal Navy opened a ginger beer plant in Colonial Bermuda. The drink was originally made with a dark demerara rum and ginger beer which were both part of the sailors daily rations. Lime was also given to the sailors as it helped to stave off Scurvy and was long kept as a military secret by the British Navy. Today, it is the national drink of Bermuda and a small slice of Carribean history in a glass.

The Painkiller Cocktail by Daphne Henderson 16

Aged Rum, Coconut Cream, Fresh Squeezed Orange, Pineapple, Lime, Nutmeg This 1970's Tiki style drink is about as delicious as a Tiki drink can get. We make it without using Pusser's because we think it is lame that a liquor company would own the rights to a way of making a particular drink. So, please allow our boycott to exist without concern and enjoy the drink.

Elderflower Sour by Gary Crunkleton 15

Tanqueray London Dry Gin, Ginger, Elderflower, Fresh Squeezed Lime This floral concoction gets its due from the botanicals of the gin, pepper from the ginger, and tartness from the lime. This drink is one of our most popular and the neighborhood loves it.

Sazerac by Thomas Handy or William "Billy" Wilkinson 15

Rye Wbiskey, Sugar, Peychuad's Bitters, Pernod, Lemon Peel This is the most brilliant drink on the menu and, by far, the coldest. Five simple ingredients, mixed just right, come from the freezer into a chilled glass to create a drink that satisfies your thirst with the first sip and calms the soul by the end. Take your time with this one and enjoy its layers of flavor. There's a reason it's a classic, and you'll understand it after your first taste.

Warwick Cooler by Michael McCollum 15

Goslings High Proof Rum, Amaro Montenegro, Fresh Squeezed Lemon,

Orange, Club Soda

This drink is a riff on a Northside Special shaken with some added bitterness from the Amaro. It's more complex and refreshingly inviting. Created not so long ago by Michael McCollum from Attaboy in Nashville, TN. This drink may not be as deep rooted in history as others on our menu, but it's just as delicious.

Cantarito Origin Unknown 15

Tequila Repasado, Fresh Squeezed Grapefruit, Orange, Lime, Agave Soda, Tajin The Cantarito, a popular Mexican tequila-based cocktail, is believed to have originated in Jalisco, Mexico, during the early 20th century. Its name comes from the Spanish word "cántaro," meaning "pitcher"

Penicillin by Sam Ross 15

Smoky Blended Scotch, Ginger, Local Wildflower Honey, Fresh Squeezed Lemon Warm and soothing flavors offered by all of the ingredients in a balanced effort make this drink a true delight. Its flavors will be admired by the sagacious drinker that appreciates quality. Is that you?

A Dusty Cactus by Nathaniel Wescott 16 Tequila Reposado, Fresh Squeezed Lime, Habanero Shrub, Champagne, Mole Bitters The Dusty is a relatively new drink that turns twelve years old this year. It's popularity transcends its relatively young age and is sure to be on its way to becoming a classic. Cheers to its longevity at The Crunkleton.

The Gin Gin Mule by Audrey Saunders 15 Tanqueray London Dry Gin, Ginger, Mint, Angostura, Fresh Squeezed Lime This tipple is two drinks in one. It takes the ingredients in the Mojito and melds it with the ingredients of a Moscow Mule. The twist is we use gin to bring them together. We love this 2005 drink at The Crunkleton and we applaud

Audrey Saunders for creating it.

A Mezcal Sour by Jonah Gibbs 17 Mezcal, Amaro Montenegro, Ginger, Sugar, Egg Whites, Mole Bitters, Fresh Squeezed Lime Since Mezcal and Pisco are two of the three worlds oldest spirits,

we decided the two are interchangeable in drink making. Enjoy this sour! It will be one of our more popular drinks this Spring and Summer.

The Paper Plane by Sam Ross 16

High Proof Bourbon, Aperol, Amaro Montenegro, Fresh Lemon Juice A riff on the classic Last Word created in 2007 by Sam Ross at the Violet Hour in Chicago. He first made this drink with Amaro and Campari but swapped out the Campari for the less bitter Aperol soon after creating the drink. Sam says "This cocktail is named after the M.I.A. track that was blasting on repeat the summer we worked on the drink."

Bee's Knees by Ms Margaret Brown 15

Tanqueray London Dry Gin, Local Wildflower Honey, Fresh Lemon A simple drink created by a complex woman in the early 20th Century. Ms Margaret Brown was married to a millionaire miner from Denver but made the drink popular while partying in the womens-only bars of Paris. She was also known as the "Unsinkable Molly Brown" after dramatically surviving the sinking of the Titanic.

Monte Carlos by Chris Bostick 16

Reposado Tequila, Benedictine, Bitters, Lemon Peel Swath This is a Reposado Tequila variation of the classic Monte Carlo cocktail which originally used Rye Whiskey, first published in 1948. The Monte Carlos is perfect for the Old Fashioned lovers who want to try something with Tequila. Swap the spirit again for High Proof Bourbon and you end up with a Crunkleton house favorite called "The Kentucky Colonel".

Mai Tai by Trader Vic 15

Goslings High Proof Rum, Goslings Dark Rum, Fresh Lime, Orgeat, Orange Liqueur *contains nuts

The Mai Tai sprung to life in 1944, not in Polynesia, but in Oakland, California – the masterpiece of Victor Bergeron, better known as Trader Vic. As the story goes, a guest took a first sip and exclaimed "Maita'i roa ae!", which is Tahitian for "The very best!" or "Out of this world!"

NON-ALCOHOLIC COCKTAILS

Here at The Crunkleton, we care deeply about inclusivity and using only the highest quality ingredients when making drinks for our guests. It is to that end that we are proud to present this thoughtfully crafted list of Non-Alcoholic Cocktails. These drinks feature the same Fresh Juices, Syrups and Hand-Carved Ice you've grown to love but made with Non-Alcoholic Spirits. The use of Non-Alcoholic Spirits creates the same level of flavor and complexity one would expect from our cocktails, simply without the booze.

N/A Sour

A Cut Above N/A Gin, Elderflower Syrup, Lime Juice, Fresh Ginger

Painlesskiller

Fresh Pineapple, Coconut Cream, Lime Juice, Orange Juice, Demerara Syrup

N/A Agave Tiki Tai A Cut Above N/A Agave Blanco, Orgeat, Lime *contains nuts

Phony Negroni

Spiritless Negroni Alternative

CRAFT BEERS

TERRAPIN BREWING WATERMELON GOSE-STYLE • Gose

Athens, GA 4.5% ABV • 7

BOND BROTHERS BEER CO.

LOCAL • West Coast IPA Raleigh, NC 6.9% ABV • 8

FULLSTEAM BREWERY

PAYCHECK • Pilsner Durham, NC 5.4% ABV • 7

TROPHY BREWING

TROPHY WIFE • Session IPA Raleigh, NC 4.9% ABV • 6

TROPHY BREWING

TROPHY HUSBAND • Amber Lager *Raleigh, NC* 5.4% ABV • 7

BIRDSONG BREWING CO.

LAZY BIRD • Brown Ale

Charlotte, NC 5.5% ABV • 7

HIGHLAND BREWING

GAELIC ALE • Amber Ale Asheville, NC 5.5% ABV • 7

BOONESHINE BREWING CO. EAST BOONE PILSNER • Pilsner

Boone, NC 5% ABV • 6

STELLA ARTIOS

Pilsner Leuven, Belgium 5.2% ABV • 7

GUINNESS Stout

Dublin, Ireland 4.2% ABV • 6

BOTTLED BEERS 4

MILLER HIGH LIFE MICHELOB ULTRA BUD LIGHT

• wine	•
SPARKLING GLAS	s / bottle
MARSURET Prossecco Veneto, Italy	14/48
DOMAINE PAUL BUISSE Rose Loire Valley, France	14/48
M. BONNAMY Cremant Brut Loire Valley, France	13/48
FRITZ MULLER "Alkoholfrei" Muller-Thurgau Secco N/A Rheinhessen, German	13/-

WHITE	GLASS / BOTTLE
TALLEY ESTATE Chardonnay 2022 Arroyo Grande Valley, CA	18/68
DOMAINE GÉRARD FIOU Sancerre 2021 Loire Valley, France	20/76
SETTLEMENT "Heritage Vintage" Sauvignon Blanc 2022 Marlborough,	NZ 14/48
LA CAÑA Alabariño 2023 Rias Baixas, Spain	16/60
CHATEAU D'ESTOUBLON Roseblood Rose 2023 Provence, France	17/65
PRINZ SALM Two Princes Riesling 2021 Rheinhessen, Germany	15/58

RED	GLASS / BOTTLE
CHAPPELLET "Mountain Cuvee" 2022 Napa Valley CA	<i>23</i> /88
PLANET OREGON Pinot Noir 2022 Willamette, OR	18/68
JUSTIN Cabernet Sauvignon 2022 Paso Robles CA	20/76
J.L. CHAVE "Mon Coeur" Côtes-du-Rhône 2022 Rhône Valley, France	17/65
ODDBIRD GSM Red Blend N/A Saint-Chinian, France	17/-

AFTER DINNER	GLASS
SANDEMAN ARMADA Cream Sherry Jerez, Spain	10
DOMECQ 1730 Pedro Ximenez Sherry Jerez, Spain	13

WINE BY THE BOTTLE

NEWWORLD RED

CATENA ZAPATA "Argentino" Malbec 2021 Mendoza, Argentina	200
CHAPPELLET "Signature" Cabernet Sauvignon2021 Napa Valley, CA	185
BURLY "Simpkins Vineyard" Cabernet Sauvignon 2022 Napa Valley, CA	165
SHAFER "TD-9" Red Blend 2022 Napa Valley, CA	135
GUNDLACH BUNDSCHU Cabernet Sauvignon 2021 Sonoma Valley, CA	110
DAVIS FAMILY VINEYARD "Soul Patch" Pinot Noir 2021 Russian River Valley, CA	105
CARAVAN Cabernet Red Blend 2020 Napa Valley, CA	95
PAUL HOBBES - VIÑA COBOS "Cocodrilo" Red Blend 2021 Mendoza, Argentina	80

OLD WORLD RED

SEGLA Margaux 2015 Bordeaux, France	170
LODALI Barbaresco "Rocche dei 7 Fratelli" 2020 Piedmont, Italy	125
MAISON CHANZY Mercurey Premier Cru 2021 Burgundy, France	112
DAMILANO Lecinquevigne Barolo 2019 Piedmont, Italy	85

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