

## Turf Club Bar and Grill

Saratoga Springs Resort- Walt Disney World

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Located at the scenic Saratoga Springs resort, the Turf Club Bar and Grill is usually a good place to get a sit down meal as it never seems overly booked. We had reservations which we made earlier that day but on occasion we've walked in and have been seated.

We have not eaten at this Disney restaurant in several years and in the past have always had good meals, so I was happy to go back. On previous visits the chefs have been accommodating with my food allergies and happy to cook something safe for me to eat.

On this visit to the restaurant I have to say I was less impressed with the chef and food selection. Chef Raphael was unwilling to go off the menu and come up with a creative dish. I asked him about vegan options and he suggested pasta with olive oil. Um, I can and do make this at home so not what I want when I go out to eat. Plus, for Disney I would hope for something more creative. The fried calamari appetizer was not an option since it was already soaking in buttermilk. Crispy shrimp the Chef could have made but not crispy since it would share a fryer with dairy items. Well that sort of defeats the purpose. The Chef was even reluctant to make a creative salad. He suggested just the house one.

I ordered the Teriyaki Glazed Salmon which came with jasmine rice and a medley of zucchini and summer squash. I've had this in the past and it's always been super flavorful and interesting. This wasn't. The rice was bland and the veggies exactly what I make at home. The salmon at the Columbia Harbor House in the Magic Kingdom is a much better value and way more flavorful. Luckily I took the Chef's recommendation and had the sauce put on the side since he told me it was salty. Boy was it ever salty! I would not have eaten the salmon had it been cooked in that sauce.



Dean enjoyed his meal; the Pork Tenderloin with mushroom risotto. He said the pork was moist and cooked perfectly.

We did not order dessert as EM Bakery is just a short walk away and why would you get dessert anywhere else?

Overall, if you are a steak and meat eater you will enjoy this restaurant.

Vegetarian options are very limited. I encourage Disney to offer add more vegan options to the menu at the Turf Club Bar and Grill. The atmosphere and ambiance,

especially if you sit outside, is pleasant yet the menu offers nothing for those that don't eat meat.

