

Fine Casual Dining, Unique Wine, & Family Entertainment

The Drake now sits in the heart of what was once the 'River District' in downtown Burlington. Samuel White erected the first permanent cabin two blocks north of here, where the current bridge overpass parking lot is located. He had been driven across the river by Federal soldiers after trespassing on Indian land. That same year, 1834, he and his brother-in-law laid out the original town named after Burlington,, Vermont. In 1838, lowa was made a territory. Burlington was named the Capital until 1841 when it was moved to lowa City.

1875, Burlington history lists a community of 25,000 with a University controlled by the Baptist church, three newspapers, 20 churches, several lodges and benevolent societies and excellent schools. Well served by railroads from every direction, the community had a wealth of timber close at hand and large coal deposits to the east and west. It was reported that a promising future had opened for the city.

Drake Hardware opened in 1864 under another name, but was incorporated as Drake Hardware in 1899. The business outgrew its premises (117 N. Main St) and the building where this restaurant is located was erected in 1906. Over the years, Drake Hardware acquired the buildings to the north and south of the restaurant, with the exception of the small building on the corner of Washington and Front. These buildings have been used for a hotel, auto repair, manufacturing of buttons, drugs, boxes and a variety of other things. Through the years, Drake Hardware became one of the top hardware distributors in the Midwest, serving customers from the Appalachians to the Rockies. Drake Hardware finally closed its doors in 1980, and the buildings stood vacant for three years.

A five foot thick rubble stone foundations supports a brick wall that tapers from 36 inches at the base to 14 inches at the top. The interior structure is of post and beam construction using southern white pine, which undoubtedly came from the first cutting of the southern timber belt. The large double doors on the north wall are not original, but were built using timbers from the building torn down north of the restaurant. That wood dates back to 1860. The windows behind the bar in the main restaurant come from the old YMCA in Burlington, torn down in 1980. Four windows were used in the restaurant. As you enter the restaurant from the south, you will see a back bar mirror. This dates back to 1890 and came from a tavern in Mediapolis.

Starters

BREADED PICKLE CHIPS 11

HOOTER FRIES 14

SOUTHWEST CHICKEN EGG ROLLS 12

BBQ NACHOS 14

SAMPLER PLATTER pick 3 for 30

ARTICHOKE SPINACH DIP with tortilla chips 12

SOUTHWEST QUESADILLA steak* or chicken 12

POTATO SKINS 11

SWEET B'S BURNT ENDS with cheddar toast 14

DRAKE FRITTERS 12

CHICKEN HOOTERS
half order 12 • full order 16

ONION RINGS 11

Field of Greens

Dressings Available: Ranch, Peppercorn, Western, Raspberry Vinaigrette, Creamy Cashew, Bleu Cheese, 1000 Island, Italian, Honey Mustard, Vinegar and Oil. All Salads served with bread stick.

HUDSON BAY MAPLE LEAF DUCK SALAD* 15

DUCK FRITTER SALAD* 15

FAJITA SALAD steak*, chicken, or veggie 15

SESAME CHICKEN SALAD 15

CAESAR SALAD salmon, chicken, or steak* 15

CHICKEN HOOTER SALAD 15

WOOD FIRE TUNA SALAD* 15

All the Waters

Served with salad or soup, choice of potato or vegetable.

GROUPER grilled or parmesan crusted 20

WOOD FIRED SALMON' 4 oz. 15 • 8 oz. 21

GARLIC SHRIMP SCAMPI over pasta 20

CRAB CAKES with garlic butter sauce 20

JERK SEARED TUNA* with mango chutney 20

ALMOND CRUSTED WALLEYE 22

Anythings Pasta Bowl

Served with soup or salad and bread

SESAME CHICKEN PARM-ALFREDO 18

BAYOU CHICKEN & SHRIMP 20

FETTUCCINE ALFREDO 13
add meat or broccoli 4

CHICKEN PENNE CARBONARA 18

TETRAZZINI chicken, steak*, or shrimp 18

Steak at the Drake!

Served with soup or salad, choice of potato or vegetable.

TOP SIRLOIN*
8 oz. or 16 oz. Market Price

FILET MIGNON*
6 oz. or 12 oz. Market Price

RIBEYE*

8 oz. or 16 oz. Market Price

NEW YORK STRIP*
8 oz. or 16 oz. Market Price

Bbq Pit

Served with baked beans, coleslaw & cornbread (soup or salad)

BACON WRAPPED SMOKED MEATLOAF 20

SLOW SMOKED BBQ BEEF BRISKET 20

BURNT ENDS 20

CHICKEN BREAST 17

SMOKEHOUSE RIBS
(6) 22 • (12) 28

BBQ SAMPLER ribs, brisket, burnt ends, shrimp 38

Rockin' Roadhouse

Served with soup or salad & roadhouse bread.

5 CHEESE MAC & CHEESE 18 ROADHOUSE BRISKET 21

ROADHOUSE SHRIMP 23

Farm Raised Game

Served with soup or salad, choice of potato.

WILDLIFE LAKES ELK STEAK* 26 DUCK BREAST* with bing cherries 23

Homestyle

HOT ROAST BEEF with mashed potatoes smothered in gravy 12

MEATLOAF HORSESHOE with onion rings and cheese sauce 13

POT ROAST with mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable and soup or salad 17

SMOKED BRISKET HORSESHOE with fries and cheese sauce 12

JUMBO LOADED BAKED POTATO

(served with bacon, cheese, tomatoes & green onion)
with BBQ Brisket 11 • with Chicken Hooters & Ranch 11
with Roadhouse Mac & Brisket 13

Pizza

Personal 7/.50 per topping • 12 " 13/.75 per topping • 16 " 16/1 per topping

Toppings

Beef - Sausage - Pepperoni - Bacon - Canadian Bacon - Chicken - Green Peppers, Tomatoes - Jalapeños - Onion - Black Olives - Green Olives - Mushroom - Sauerkraut

LOBSTER CHIPOTLE personal 14 • 12" 18 • 16" 22

CHICKEN HOOTER personal 12 • 12" 15 • 16" 20

BRISKET ROADHOUSE personal 12 • 12" 16 • 16" 20

BACON CHEESEBURGER personal 12 • 12" 16 • 16" 20

CHICKEN ALFREDO BROC Personal 12 • 12" 16 • 16" 20

DRAKE DEEP DISH
please allow 45 minutes for this special pie 20

Sandwiches

Served with choice of one side dish

ARTICHOKE CHICKEN 12 SESAME CHICKEN 12

BLACK ANGUS BURGER* 8 oz. 11 • 16 oz. 18

FRENCH DIP 11 add bacon 1.50 • add cheese 1.00

HOOTER HOAGIE 12

FLAT-BREAD FISH TACO 14

GRILLED or PARMESAN GROUPER 14

REUBEN 12

TENDERLOIN 12

BRISKET BBQ with caramelized onions 12

STEAK SANDWICH* 15

PHILLY steak or chicken 12

GRILLED CHICKEN 11

ELK BURGER* 14

GROUPER RACHEL 12

ROADHOUSE GRILLED MAC & CHEESE with BBQ brisket 12

Sides 3 each add broccoli 1

FRENCH FRIES - DRAKE FRIES - SWEET POTATO FRIES

COLESLAW - BAKED BEANS - KETTLE CHIPS - MAC & CHEESE

VEGETABLES - RISOTTO - BAKED POTATO - SWEET POTATO

Gluten Free Options

GF PIZZA
10" 13 - .75 per topping

GF PASTA & BUNS available for 3 each

Lots more Menu Choices, please ask your server!

Lil Drakes

MAC N CHEESE with bread

BURGER with fries

GRILLED CHEESE

BREAD STICKS with fries

CHICKEN STRIPS with fries

1 TOPPING PIZZA

18% gratuity added to all groups of 6 people or more.
*Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness.