

RESTAURANT REVIEW 48 THE TWISTED TREE May 18, 2017

The Twisted Tree.



The Twisted Tree on Lindbergh at Watson Road. It used to be a biker hangout in its past life as the Mile 277 Tap and Grill. It is now a high end steak house with a familiar night manager, Jimmy Kristo, former owner Jimmy's on the Park in Clayton. The Twist Tree is owned by the same people that own the Syberg's family restaurants.

As with most high end restaurant's we of course tried lunch, because it is cheaper than dinner.

My wife ordered a hamburger. The standard burger is two patties on a bun (\$11). She also ordered a side of Mac n' Cheese (\$3). I went with the Tenderloin Philly that was covered in crème cheese. I had not heard of "crème cheese in place of regular cheese, but decided to try it. We both ordered sides of Onion Rings that had a \$2 upcharge.



The burgers did not have much taste. My wife ate one patty and took the other one home. I ate it the next day with lots of mayo on it along with a slice of Borden's

American Cheese. The half-pound burger down the street at the Mellow Mushroom (\$9.99) is a single patty but tastes better and is at a pizza joint.

I think my Tenderloin would have been good if it didn't have the crème cheese on it. I can't get too upset over the name. At least they didn't claim it was a Philly Cheesesteak. It was titled "Tenderloin Philly." The meat was great and flavorful if my bite did not include crème cheese. If I go back I might order it again without the crème cheese.



A little odd. The hot bread was delivered in a brown paper bag. The bread was okay. What's a bigger waste of resources, washing a cloth naplin the bread is wrapped in or the use of paper?



And the best part of lunch was:



It was the Mac n' Cheese. It is a side on the dinner menu but if you ask for it at lunch it will be served. Ours was hot and very gooey. Clearly made from several cheeses. A fork full of this and there is not drips or run offs. This Mac'n Cheese is so much better than what they serve at Syberg's.

Biggest price difference and second best item: The Onion Rings at the Twist Tree are \$2 up-charges as a side and are \$6 and \$10 for a small or large order. They were very good. They are also exactly the same as the Onion Rings at Syberg's that sell for \$1.99 for a small order. The Twisted Tree and Syberg's are owned by the same people.



Twisted Tree side



Small order at Syberg's

As a side note the wait staff was extremely friendly, although a couple of suggestions missed the mark. We recognized our waitress who was on her first day after 9 years at Annie Gunn's.