

# Mercantile

## Menu

- **Sweet Potato Ribbon Fries:**  
Swirls of golden fried sweet potato, brushed with fresh garlic butter and sprinkled with parmesan cheese.  

**\$3.50**
  
- **Steamed Crab Legs:**  
½ pound of snow crab legs, steamed to order and served with fresh drawn butter and lemon.  

**\$7.50**
  
- **Pan Seared Ravioli w/ Blue Cheese Crème:**  
Fresh cheese raviolis, pan seared in butter and drizzled with blue cheese crème sauce.  

half order (5) - **\$6.00**  
full order (10) - **\$9.00**
  
- **Grilled Shrimp Skewers:**  
3 shrimp per skewer, 3 flavors to choose from:
  - Thai Coconut Lime
  - Indian Mango Curry
  - Garlic and Herb

each skewer sold separately - **\$2.50**
  
- **Stuffed Mushrooms:**
  - Spinach and Feta
  - Crab and Scallion

any combination of 6 - **\$8.50**  
any combination of 12 - **\$14.50**
  
- **Chicken Wings**  
Full sized chicken wings,
  - Spicy Red Chili and Garlic
  - Sweet Ginger Teriyaki

each wing sold separately - **\$1.50**

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4. No saddle or draft animals allowed in any part of the house.  
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## Breads:

- Honey Biscuits
- Green Chile Cheese Cornbread

## Meats:

- Buttermilk Fried Chicken
- Chicken Roasted with Lemon and Herbs
- Fresh Ham Glazed with Lettuce Lizzie's Maple Mustard Dressing

## Sides:

- Candied Green Beans with Caramelized Bacon and Onions
- Baked Stewed Tomatoes
- Grandma Audrey's Green Jello and Pears
- Baby Carrots Glazed with Vermont Maple Syrup and Lots of Butter
- Mashed Red Potatoes with Bacon Cream Gravy
- Bob's Blue Ribbon BBQ Baked Beans
- 'The Real Deal' Baked Macaroni and Cheese
- Parmesan, Lemon, and Spinach Rice Pilaf

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**\$12.50 – Choice of One Meat, Two Sides, Biscuits, and Cornbread**

**\$16.75 – All you Care to Enjoy from the Above List**

All meals include a Tossed Green Salad with Lettuce Lizzie's Miracle Salad Dressing  
(all 5 flavors available for sale in the Lobby)

**\*\*\*AVAILABLE EVERY EVENING AND SUNDAY NOON\*\*\***

Replace Chicken or Ham with:

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|--|---------|
| • One Pound of Steamed Snow Crab Legs                                | \$23.75 |
| (served with fresh drawn butter and lemon)                           |         |
| • 8oz. Cut of Sterling Silver Premium Prime Rib                      | \$24.75 |
| • 16oz. Cut of Sterling Silver Premium Prime Rib                     | \$29.75 |
| (served with choice of horseradish crème or blue cheese crème sauce) |         |

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# SWEET STUFF

## All Desserts Available in 3 Sizes:

- The, "I just want a little something sweet, but nobody else does" size \$2.50
- The, "Please bring two forks" size \$5.00
- The, "I will share with the whole table if you are nice to me" size \$7.50

## Cakes with Double Frosting:

- M. K.'s Arrow Rock Carrot Cake : with pecans in the frosting
- Four Layer Coconut Butter Cake

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- Cobbler of the Day (never the "canned fruit" kind)
  - Lemon Pecan Pie (think lemon bar + chess pie + pecan pie)
  - Triple Chocolate Brownie Sundae : chocolate ice cream, chocolate and caramel sauces, whipped cream, rainbow sprinkles and cherries
  - Vanilla Mixed Berry Sundae : made with fat free frozen yogurt

## BEVERAGES

**\$1.50**

(includes refills)

- Coca- Cola
  - Diet Coke
  - Sprite
  - Mr. Pibb
  - Pink Lemonade
  - Freshly Brewed Iced Tea
  - Regular Coffee
  - Decaffeinated Coffee
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## CHILDREN'S MENU

- **Children ages 4 thru 10 – Dinner Includes:**
    - All You Can Eat Chicken Legs
    - Honey Biscuits
    - Baked Macaroni and Cheese
    - Candied Green Beans with Bacon or Maple Glazed Carrots
    - Roy Rogers or Shirly Temple to Drink
    - Popsicle for Desert
- \$5.95**
- **No Charge for Children Ages 3 and Younger**

# GROUP PRICING

## J. HUSTON TAVERN

**Groups of 10 or more persons - \$12.50**

*Must Have Prior Reservation.*

*Includes drink, dessert and tip on food.*

*Excludes sales tax, which is 8.350%*

*(Please remember to tip your server on any alcoholic beverages you may purchase.)*

### THE MEAL CONSISTS OF:

- \* Honey Biscuits and Cornbread
- \* 2 pieces of Buttermilk Fried Chicken or ¼ of a Baked Chicken, or Maple Glazed Ham
- \* Candied Green Beans
- \* Mashed Potatoes with Bacon Cream Gravy
- \* Cobbler of the Day
- \* Coffee, Tea, Lemonade or Soda

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**We take a valid credit card number and expiration date to secure your reservation.  
We will only use the card if:**

- 1) You cancel your entire group less than 2 weeks prior to your reservation, at which time a \$10.00 charge per person will be placed on your card.
- 2) You decrease the number in your party by more than 10 people less than 48 hours before your reservation, at which time any number over 10 will be charged \$10.00 each on your card.

**Please contact me with any questions you might have. We look forward to seeing you at the Tavern!**

Sincerely,

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# THE J. HUSTON TAVERN

We welcome you now just as for one hundred and seventy-five years – since 1834 – guests have been welcomed and travelers have been fed and looked after here in this place on the westernmost fringe of the young United States, their numbers increasing as pioneer settlers and eager businessmen and traders funneled through to populate and build the new nation. Among the earliest of the Arrow Rock citizens was the Virginian Joseph Huston, Sr. who built this house in 1834 for his family and as a source of additional income from offering meals and lodging to travelers passing through and local folk as well. It was constructed of bricks handmade on the site and was a typical four room structure with two rooms below (*now the entry hall/lobby, and the dining room adjoining to the east*) and two bedrooms directly above, including a small detached kitchen building behind. A few years later a general store addition – the “Mercantile” - was built on the west end of the original building and it included a large public room on its second floor, referred to locally as the “ballroom”, which was the scene of many meetings, social gatherings and dances for the surrounding countryside. The store portion was designed and built in the same Federal style as the original building resulting in a very harmonious and pleasing façade. The Tavern could be transported back to Joseph Hustons’ native Virginia and look completely at home. Later in the nineteenth century the middle dining room together with upstairs guest rooms and a new direct staircase were added, and the original detached kitchen was enclosed into this addition. Before iron cooking stoves made it safe (or at least somewhat safer!) to have the kitchen located within the house it was usually located in an unattached small structure close to, but away from, the main house so that the frequent destructive kitchen fires would not also burn down the main house. Before you leave be sure to take a look at the original kitchen which retains its wonderful cooking fireplace, and picture how it was a separate little building from which the cooked meals would be taken out the north door and then a few steps “outside” into the south door of the present front dining room. The large dining room in the rear of the building was added in the mid-twentieth century to serve the growing number of visitors to the Arrow Rock State Historic Site. You are invited to look about in the Tavern's main floor and the designated areas on the upper floors to enjoy its beauty and the sense of Missouri and national history that lingers here. We would be happy to answer any question you may have about the Tavern --- or point you to someone who can!