

WELCOME TO THE

The Bear Pit

Delicious
Missouri Style
Bar-B-Q!

Dern Tootin'
We Cook with Wood!



Check Out Our Catering & To Go Menus Online: www.bearpitbbq.com
Hours: Sunday–Thursday 11:30am – 9pm • Friday & Saturday 11:30am – 10pm

Soup & Salads



Soup Of The Day

Cup 2.95 • Bowl 4.95

Dinner Salad

Choice of Dressing 3.50

Wedge Salad

Crispy Iceberg wedge with blue cheese crumbles, bacon bits, chopped egg and tomatoes with Garlic Toast 9.95



Grilled Chicken Salad

Boneless and Skinless Grilled Chicken Breast, Crisp Greens with Jack Cheese and Honey Sesame Dressing 11.95

Chef's Salad

Crisp Fresh Garden Greens Mixed with Garnish, plus Julienne Ham, Cheese, Hard Boiled Egg, Tomato Wedges, and Our Delicious Garlic Toast 11.95

BBQ Chicken Salad

Your choice of Crispy Chicken Tenders or Charbroiled Breast on Garden Greens with Tomato Wedges, Roasted Corn, Tortilla Strips and Spicy Ranch Dressing 11.95

Lite Eaters

Served with Cottage Cheese, Tomato Slices, Peach Wedges and Ry-Krisp



Ground Beef Steak

Brisket Burger Char-Broiled to Taste with Two Onion Rings and the Above Fixins' 12.95

Beef, Pork, Ham, Turkey or Chicken

Choice of One with the Above Fixins' 11.95

Select Steak

Queen Sized, Char-Broiled to Order, Served with Above Fixins' 14.50



Minimum Service Charge is 3.00. Sharing Charge is 3.00 (Except for Young'uns). 17% Gratuity will be charged for parties of 8 or more. We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone. Not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Sales tax will be added to the retail price on all taxable items.



Try our Famous Garlic Toast!

3 slices for 4.25



Snacks & Vittles



Chicken Tenders 8.50

Crispy Hot Wings 8.95

Wild Chili Poppers Stuffed with Cheddar 8.50

Louisiana Hot Links (2) 4.95



Bear Pit Cubbie Sliders (4)

Mix & Match – Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey 8.95

Specialties

Chicken Tenders

Crisp Country Style Tenders, Served with BBQ Beans, French Fries, Cole Slaw, and Garlic Toast 12.95

One-Half Pound Ground Beef

Char-broiled Brisket Burger, Served with all the Fixin's and Garnished with Onion Rings 12.95

Sirloin Steak Platter

Top Sirloin Steak, Char-Broiled to Taste with Garlic Toast, a Crisp Salad, BBQ Beans and French Fries 19.95

Chili Dog Delight

Topped with our Tasty Texas Chili, Served with French Fries and Cole Slaw 9.50

Bowl of Texas Chili

A Delicious Bowl Full 9.50

Texas Chili Size

Certified Angus Patty, Topped with Chili and American Cheese, Served with Garlic Toast 10.95

Seafood

French Fried Jumbo Shrimp

Served with French Fries, Bar-B-Q Beans, Cole Slaw, and Garlic Toast 16.95

Fish Dinner

Deep Fried Fish Fillets, Served with French Fries, Cole Slaw, Bar-B-Q Beans, and Tartar Sauce 14.95

Fish Sandwich

Deep Fried Fish Fillet on a Bun, Served with French Fries, Cole Slaw, Tartar Sauce & Lemon 9.50



Take home a few bottles of our delicious Old Fashioned, Shirley's Sweet Sauce, or Oso Caliente Bar-B-Que Sauce today! 4.75 each

For Hungry Bears!



Polar Bear Feast

A Combination Bar-B-Q Dinner
Consisting of Our **Delicious Spareribs** and a
Choice of Two: **Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey**
With Soup, Salad, or Cole Slaw, Deep Fried
Taters, Bar-B-Q Beans and Garlic Toast 19.95



Grizzly Bear Combination Dinner

Choice of Any Two of The Following
Bar-B-Q Meats: Beef, Pork, Ham, or Turkey
Served with Cole Slaw, Deep Fried Taters,
Bar-B-Q Beans and Garlic Toast 17.95

Bar-B-Q Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey Dinner

Mouth waterin' good! 16.95

Taster's Treat

Includes 2 Pieces Chicken, 1 Beef Rib,
2 Spareribs, Hefty Portions of Beef and Pork.
Served with Soup, Salad, or Cole Slaw, Deep Fried
Taters, Bar-B-Q Beans and Garlic Toast 27.95



Steak and Ribs Dinner

Our Succulent Pork Spareribs combined with
Top Sirloin Steak and Char-Broiled 26.95



Hungry Bear Delight

A Whole Side of Meaty Bar-B-Q Spareribs.
Served with Soup, Salad, or Cole Slaw,
Deep Fried Taters, Bar-B-Q Beans
and Garlic Toast 27.95



Louisiana Hot Links

3 Spicy Links in Our Special Glaze.
Served with Cole Slaw, French Fries,
Bar-B-Q Beans and Garlic Toast 14.50



Hot Links Combinations

Choice of Soup, Salad or Cole Slaw, Plus BBQ
Beans, Deep Fried Taters & Garlic Toast
Hot Links & Chicken 14.95
Hot Links & Spare Ribs 18.95
Hot Links & Baby Back Ribs 19.95

Tummy Pleasin' Side Dishes

Bar-B-Q Beans 3.25

Chili 3.75

Garlic Toast 4.25

Cole Slaw 2.95

Potato Salad 3.25

Mac and Cheese 3.25

Onion Rings 4.50

Deep Fried Taters 3.50

French Fries 3.25

Sweet Potato Fries 3.95

Carrot, Celery & Pickle Relish 2.95

Kosher Style Pickles Half Order 1.50 • Full Order 2.95

1 Cubbie Slider Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey 2.25

1 Beef Rib 5.95 • **2 Spareribs** 5.50 • **4 Baby Back Ribs** 5.95





Bar-B-Q Dinners

Served with Choice of Soup, Salad, or Cole Slaw, plus 2 sides: Taters, Mac & Cheese, Potato Salad, Bar-B-Q Beans & Garlic Toast



Baby Back Ribs

Juicy Ribs in our Famous Sauce
Half Rack 18.95 • Full Rack 25.95



Bar-B-Q Spare Ribs

They're the greatest! 18.95

Ribs and Ribs

Winning Combo of Pork Spareribs and Beef Back Ribs 26.50

Bar-B-Q Beef Back Ribs

Served with Shirley's New Fashioned Sauce
Half Rack 16.95 • Full Rack 27.95

Bar-B-Q Duckling

Glazed with our own Orange Sauce 17.95

Bar-B-Q Half Chicken With Sweet BBQ Sauce
Smoked in the Pit, Crisped in the Fryer 14.50



BBQ Chicken & Ribs Combination

1/4 Chicken with Half Rack Spare Ribs or Baby Back Ribs 19.95

Hamburger Corner

Served with Choice of Two: Cole Slaw, Bar-B-Q Beans, French Fries, Mac & Cheese or Potato Salad.



Grizzly 1/2 Lb. Brisket Burger

Super Juicy 1/2lb. Brisket Filled Burger Topped with Jack Cheese, Onion Rings & Spicy Sauce 12.95

Bar-B-Q Sandwiches

Served with Choice of Two: Cole Slaw, Bar-B-Q Beans, French Fries, Mac & Cheese or Potato Salad.



Bear Pit Special "The Super Bear"

Combination Sandwich with Gobs of Luscious, Thinly Sliced Bar-B-Q Beef & Ham
Served on a Sesame Seed Bun 13.95
On Garlic Toast 14.95



The Kodiak

A Delicious Sandwich, Choice of Beef, Pork, Ham, or Turkey on Our Own French Bread, Plus: Two Spareribs, One Beef Backrib, or 1 Hot Link 13.95 • On Garlic Toast 14.95

Beef Brisket Sandwich

On a Sesame Seed Bun 10.95

On a French Roll or Grilled Sourdough Bread 11.50

On Our Famous Garlic Toast 12.50

Sliced Pork, Ham, Turkey, Lamb or Pulled Pork Sandwich

On a Sesame Seed Bun 10.50

On a French Roll or Grilled Sourdough Bread 10.95

On Our Famous Garlic Toast 11.50



Hot Link Sandwich

2 Hot Links on a French Roll 9.95

Chick'n Pick 'N Sandwich

Charbroiled Skinless Breast on Our Special Sesame Seed Bun, with Shirley's New Fashioned Sauce 10.95

Bear Pit Cubbies

Three Mini Sandwiches on a Bun Mix & Match Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey 11.95



Big Bear Burger

Certified Angus Double Deck Hamburger with Cheese and All the Trimmings 11.95

Bear Pit Burger

Certified Angus Beef Served on Our Special Sesame Seed Bun 9.50 • A la Carte 6.50

Chili Burger

Certified Angus Beef plus Chili
Served Open-Faced - YUM! 10.95

Add Cheese for .75¢. Substitute Deep Fried Taters for .50¢. Substitute Onion Rings or Sweet Potato Fries for 1.00.

Senior Menu

Over 60 Years of Age!
Add a Dinner Salad to any Senior Entree for 1.49



Barbecue Chicken

Light or Dark Meat with Garlic Toast and Choice of One: Cole Slaw, BBQ Beans or French Fries 7.95

Beef, Pork, Ham, or Turkey Sandwich

Served with Choice of One: Cole Slaw, BBQ Beans or French Fries 8.25
Garlic Toast or Grilled Sourdough .50¢ Extra

Chicken Sandwich Boneless & Skinless

Served on Sesame Bun with Choice of One: Cole Slaw, BBQ Beans or French Fries 8.95
Garlic Toast or Grilled Sourdough .50¢ Extra



Fish 'N' Chips

Served with Cole Slaw 8.25



Beverages

Coffee, Tea or Fresh Brewed Decaf 2.25
Iced or Sweet Tea (Free refills) 2.50
Milk 1.75/2.50
Chocolate Milk 2.95
Floats, Thick Malts or Shakes 4.50
Lemonade (Free refills with Large size) 1.75/2.50
Soft Drinks (Free refills with Large size) 1.75/2.50
Apple Juice (For our Young'uns) .95¢



Beer on Tap

Glass 3.50 • Pitcher 8.95
Bottled Beer (Imported Beer extra) 3.95

Wine: Chablis • Blush • Burgundy

Glass 4.50 • 1/2 Liter 9.50 • Liter 13.95
Ask your server about our Premium Wines
Maximum 3 Alcoholic Beverages Per Person

Treats and Pastries

Ice Cream Sundaes (Chocolate or Strawberry) 4.50
Hot Fudge Sundae 4.95
Ice Cream (Two Scoops) 3.95
Tuxedo Chocolate Cake 6.50
Lemon Cream Shortcake 6.50
Cheesecake 3.75



Cub Menu

Children Under 12 Only



"Teddy" Burger Meal

Juicy Burger on a Sesame Bun with BBQ Beans, French Fries, Soft Drink or Milk and a Cub Chocolate Sundae 6.95

"Teddy" Burger

Juicy Burger on a Sesame Bun,
Served with Fries 4.75

"Teddy C"

Juicy Burger Topped with Cheese,
Served with Fries 5.25

"Pole A' Bear"

Hot Dog on a Bun, Served with Fries 4.50

Big "C"

Grilled Cheese Sandwich on Toast,
Served with Fries 4.50

The "Champ"

Big "C" with Ham, Served with Fries 4.95

"Bear Nuggets"

Chicken Nuggets with Special Sauce,
Served with Fries 4.50

"Rib Tickler"

Children's Portion of Baby Back Ribs,
Served with Fries 7.25



Cubbie Sandwich

Choice of Beef, Pork, Ham or Turkey,
Served with Fries 4.50

Cub Chocolate Sundae 1.50



Taste the History



The Bear Pit's history began in the late 1940's, when original owner Ben Baier moved from Missouri and started a small barbecue shack in Newhall, California.

After several years the popularity of his food spread, so he decided to move to the northern San Fernando Valley town of Dennis Park (later Mission Hills) and start a small take-out restaurant. He partnered with Don Carrow (of Carrow's Restaurant fame) and had country singer Tennessee Ernie Ford as an early endorser of the restaurant.

He built a small building at this location. He constructed a brick oven, called a pit, and used local hardwoods to slow smoke beef, pork, spareribs and chicken. His unusual vinegar-based coleslaw and sweet barbecue bean recipe became the backbone of his menu.

As the San Fernando Valley grew from being an agricultural community to a major city, the Bear Pit grew along with it. In the early 1960's, the restaurant was sold to Ruben and Bea Gordon. The Bear Pit became a landmark in the Valley, so Gordon built two more Bear Pit restaurants in Canoga Park and Glendale.

The Bear Pit has been around the San Fernando Valley since 1954.

The founder of the Bear Pit developed the original recipes and slow cooking methods in Kansas City, Missouri that we still use today.



In 1976, the Gordon's decided to retire, so they sold the chain to Burton and Shirley Schatz, veteran restaurant operators. The Schatz's kept the original recipes, but added many new items, such as barbecue turkey, beef back ribs, and especially Shirley's New Fashioned barbecue sauce. Her own invention, Shirley's sauce was an immediate hit, and became almost as popular as the original.

By 1988, the Schatz's decided to retire, sold the Glendale and Canoga Park restaurants, and sold this restaurant to their son, Andrew, in 1988. He has continued the traditional recipes and cooking methods to this day, adding baby back ribs and Louisiana hot links for a wide variety of tastes.

Thanks for visiting our restaurant.

We hope you enjoy your experience when you Taste the History!



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