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EPICUREAN EPISODES



Maguire's Irish Pub, which recently re-opened on Kentucky Street in Downtown Petaluma, is a perfect example of the classic Irish Pub. The décor has a lot of character and is pure Pub -- featuring a long mahogany wood bar, high tables with bar stools, and tables nicely spaced for dining both downstairs and upstairs. The walls are filled with all types of Irish Memorabilia, including classic framed beer posters of Guinness, Beamish Irish Stout and John Courage Amber. Over the Bar there were banners congratulating the Petaluma Nationals, who had an excellent run at the 2012 Little League World Series!

We were seated downstairs near the front where we could enjoy the breeze from the fully open front windows on this warm evening. We started out



Maguire's Irish Pub Owner Joe Pelleriti

with pints of Guinness and Great White and chatted with new owner Joe Pelleriti who is Irish on his mother's side. Joe shared with us how well he's been received since he moved to Petaluma and opened this Spring. He was also proud to tell us that he had decided to upgrade the menu by using fresh, local and sustainable ingredients including excellent breads from Penngrove's Full Circle Baking and Niman Ranch All Natural Meats.

The Starters were all lighter than expected and tasted healthier than standard "Pub Food" without sacrificing flavor. The most unique starter was Maguire's Delight which were tasty Won Tons stuffed with corned beef, sauerkraut, and Swiss cheese and served with Thousand Island dressing. These were quite a treat!

The West Coast Niman Ranch Burger with pepper jack cheese, avocado, mushrooms, garlic aioli and Onion Rings was well priced, tasty and quite a hearty meal. We also enjoyed some Pub Favorites. The classic Shepherd's Pie made with ground beef, root vegetables, gravy and topped with mashed potatoes and cheese was also a huge portion and beautifully presented. The

Fish and Chips made with beer battered flaky white cod was served with cole slaw, sweet potato fries and tartar sauce. We were also very pleased with the Niman Ranch Rib Eye 12 oz. Steak which was cooked medium rare as ordered and was just fabulous. It was served with mushroom peppercorn sauce which we recommend on the side, fresh sautéed vegetables and mashed potatoes. A better steak would be hard to find!

The dessert offerings are limited but we did enjoy their Bread Pudding as we sipped Irish Coffees made with Jamison Irish Whiskey. We enjoyed our food and fun evening at Maguire's Irish Pub and look forward to returning soon!

Post Notes:

Maguire's Irish Pub
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Open 7 Days 11:30 AM
to 2:00 AM
and All Day Sunday
Happy Hour:
Monday-Friday 4 to 7
PM
and All Day Sunday
Outdoor seating
weather permitting



West Coast Niman Ranch Burger



Delight Won Tons



Shepherd's Pie