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## **Taste of Tacoma® Restaurants Serving Up New Tastes and Old Favorites**

In its 25<sup>th</sup> year, the 2010 Emerald Queen Casino Taste of Tacoma® is looking to be the best festival yet. Cuisines from Pacific Northwest seafood to Caribbean fare, Cajun to Greek and almost every category in between are represented among the 32 restaurant booths lining the grass at Point Defiance Park. This year's Taste takes place June 25-27, and with free admission and the Taste It! Discount Meal Tickets (sold at the entrance of the park, while supplies last) offering 15% savings on food and beverages, you can try a little bit of almost everything! For more information on the Taste of Tacoma® menu or other Taste of Tacoma® events, go to [www.tasteoftacoma.com](http://www.tasteoftacoma.com).

2009 Taste of Tacoma® Award Winners:

Best Entrée: 1<sup>st</sup>, Half Moon Bay Bar and Grill (Crab Cakes), 2<sup>nd</sup>, Fajita Express (Taco Salad), 3<sup>rd</sup> Curry House (Shawarma Steak Sandwich)  
Best Barbecue: Famous Dave's BBQ  
Best Dessert: Southern Kitchen  
Best Booth Design: Samurai's Japanese Steakhouse

NOTE:

- Most restaurants are serving a menu that extends past the listings below. Menu items are condensed for space.
- No single entrée is priced above \$6, and no combination plate is priced above \$7.
- **All restaurants will offer a \$3 Taste item, listed in bold.**
- **NEW** – Each restaurant offers a Hope Heart Right Bite- a menu item that has less calories, fat or sodium. Hope Heart Right Bite items are bolded and italicized below

**Aloha Hawaiian Grill** (Hawaiian BBQ)  
Kalua Pork, **Spam Musubi**, ***BBQ Chicken with Rice***

**Bambuza Vietnamese Bistro** (Vietnamese)  
Honey Lemongrass Chicken Skewers, **Crispy Tofu Spring Roll**, ***Tofu Spring Roll***

**Billy McHale's** (American, Barbecue)  
Baby-back Ribs & Coleslaw, **BBQ Pork Slider**, ***Bacon Wrapped Prawn Fried in Non-Trans Fat Oil***

**Biringer Farm** (Dessert)  
Strawberry and Raspberry Shortcake, **Scones**, ***Cup of Strawberries***

**Blue Elephant** (Northwest Cuisine)  
Elephant Ears, **Caesar Salad Taste**, ***Grilled Salmon over Salad w/Pomegranate Dressing***

**China Delight** (Asian)  
Authentic Pot Stickers/Teriyaki Chicken Combo, **4-Piece Pot Stickers**, ***Veggie Stir Fry and Edamame***

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Dining

**Chutney's Grille** (Indian)

Butter Chicken Kebob with Rice, **Vegetable Samosa – Peas and Potatoes Stuffed in a Flakey Pastry, Salmon with Rice**

**Curry House** (Mediterranean)

Shawarma Chicken or Steak Sandwich- Served with lettuce, tomato and onion in pita bread topped with Tahini Sauce, **Veggies and Humus, Chicken Kabob over Rice**

**Dancing Zorba** (Greek)

Classic Gyros- Grilled lamb or chicken with fresh lettuce, tomato, onion, feta and tzatziki made from scratch, wrapped in warm pita bread, **Tzatziki Salad, Vegetarian Gyro**

**Delicious Asia** (Japanese)

Honey Prawn Combo, **Steamed BBQ Pork Bao**

**Eloi Taste the Caribbean** (Caribbean)

Jerk Chicken or Pork on a Stick, **Brown Stew Chicken with Rice, Ital Coconut Milk, Tofu, Chickpeas & Spinach over Rice**

**Espi's Sausage** (Filipino)

BBQ Chicken or Pork with Pancit or Rice/Eggroll, **Pork Lumpia (Eggroll), Adobo Chicken**

**Fajita Express** (Mediterranean)

Chicken or Beef Fajita, **Bean Burrito, Grilled Chicken and Veggies**

**Famous Dave's BBQ** (Barbecue)

Three Ribs and One Side Item, **Two Ribs, Coleslaw**

**The Frankfurter** (American/German)

Old Fashion Frankfurter- German style on a warm French roll with choice of toppings, **Kids' Dog, Smoked Thai Chicken Sausage**

**Half Moon Bay Bar & Grill** (Coastal Cuisine and Seafood)

Dungeness Crab Cake served with Frizzled Onions and Cajun Aioli, **Tuna Bombs – Fresh Albacore Tuna wrapped in Smoked Bacon and Deep Fried, Shrimp Quinoa Salad**

**Hindquarter BBQ** (BBQ)

Charbroiled Salmon Meal, **Tri-Trip, Charbroiled Salmon**

**Kaleenka Piroshky** (Russian)

Piroshky- Choice of Beef & Cheese, Smoked Salmon, Vegetable, **half-size Piroshky with a potato & cheese filling, Potatoes with Lemon Parsley Dill Sauce**

**Khans Mongolian Grill** (Korean BBQ)

Kalbi Short Rib Taco, **Korean Spicy Pork or Chicken Taco, Vegetarian Taco**

**Mick Kelly's Irish Pub & Restaurant**

Two Corned Beef Sliders, **One Corned Beef Slider, Guinness Beef Stew**

**Mrs. B's** (American)

Walk Away Sundae- Large scoop of vanilla ice cream with choice of chocolate or strawberry topping, covered with whipped cream served on a colossal waffle cone, **Ice Cream Cones or Dipped Ice Cream Bars, Sugar Free Ice Cream**

**New Orleans Cookery** (Cajun)

Alligator on a Stick, **Red Beans and Rice**

**Palace Korean Bar & Grill** (Korean BBQ)  
Bulgogi, **Kalbi**, **BiBinBap**

**Papa Murphy's Pizza** (Italian)  
Cowboy Pizza Slices- Pepperoni, sausage, mushrooms, black olives with herb and cheese blend sprinkled over the top, **Cheese Pizza Slice**, **Herb Chicken Mediterranean Delite**

**Ray's Food** (Vietnamese)  
Grilled Spicy Chicken Combo, **Purple Rice Pudding**, **Veggie Stir-Fry**

**Russian Piroshky** (Russian)  
Beef and Cheese Piroshky, **Turnovers**, **Cabbage**, **Carrot and Mushroom Piroshky**

**Samurai's Japanese Steakhouse** (Teppan Yaki Style)  
Teppan Yaki Steak, **Fried Rice**, **Hibachi Chicken**

**Sizzlin' Phillies** (American)  
Sizzlin' Steak Sandwich – thinly sliced, grilled steak served with grilled bell peppers and onions and melted cheese on a sandwich roll, **Sample Philly Cheesesteak**, **Sweet Potato Fries**

**Smokey's BBQ Grill** (BBQ)  
Angus Prime Rib, **Pulled Pork Slider**, **Chicken Caesar Platter**

**Southern Kitchen** (Southern)  
Louisiana Gumbo with Chicken, Sausage and Shrimp served over Rice, **Red Beans and Rice and Collard Greens**

**Zieglers Bratwurst Haus** (German and American)  
Authentic German Bratwurst (Pork, Beef or Veal) served with sauerkraut and grilled onions on a bun, **Kids' Hot Dog**, **Bun-less Veal Brat**

**On-Ground Vendors and Specialty Food Products-** vendors offering a limited menu of **tasty treats!**

**Blue Elephant**  
Sweet Potato Fries, Curly Fries

**Complete Energy Authentic Hawaiian Shaved Ice**  
Shaved Ice

**Irishman Enterprises**  
Funnel cakes with assorted toppings, soft serve ice cream, Old-fashioned lemonade

**Mini Melt Ice Cream**  
10 Different Flavors

**Margarita Village**  
Fruit Smoothies- nine delicious flavors

**Popmaster Kettle Korn**  
Original and Caramel Flavors

**Shishkaberrys**  
Milk, Dark and White Chocolate Dipped Fruit- served on a stick with assorted toppings

**Snowie**  
Six Flavors of Premium Shaved Ice

**Restaurant Desserts** (Note: Dessert items listed below are in addition to the dessert items served by our On Ground Vendors)

**Ben & Jerry's**

Premium ice cream in cones and cups, ice cream bars

**Biringer Farm**

Strawberry and Raspberry Shortcake, Scones, Brownies

**Blue Elephant**

Whole Wheat Elephant Ears with cinnamon and sugar

**Crepe Tyme**

Dessert Crepes- lemon and powdered sugar, cinnamon sugar, strawberry banana, apple, nutella and turtle

**Mrs. B's**

Walk-Away Sundae, Hand-dipped Ice Cream, Peggy's Cinnamon Rolls, Cheesecake on a Stick

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