

Bridges



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Our Story

In March of 2002, our dad showed us his new investment – this restaurant & an old dive shop. His attachment to & love for the property was obvious; he had spent many years helping his father run Pioneer Lumber, which used to be next door. What we saw, however, was a greasy, neglected restaurant with a “For Rent” sign in the window. At the time, everything seemed pretty filthy & undesirable – we just laughed at our dad because this was so characteristic of him.

The old dive shop, which is now the yellow inn building, housed a small apartment with shag carpet & a makeshift bar. While home for Easter, we drank some beers there. Whether it was something in the air or something in the beer, our opinion of the area must have changed that day.

By April, we had quit our jobs in Chicago & moved home to open the restaurant. We enlisted family & friends to help us, & by June, Bridges was up & running! We chose the name Bridges because of the four bridges that surround us – the rotating Amtrak bridge, the Franklin Street drawbridge, the new Highway 12 & the now demolished old Highway 12 bridge.

Our family loves traveling to different beach towns, so we’ve tried to create the fun, casual, relaxed atmosphere that we seek when we go on vacation. We enjoy surrounding ourselves with people, both employees & customers, that can relate to & appreciate this.

Fourteen summers later, the deck continues to grow larger, there’s a full bar, & we now have husbands & children floating around. Many of the same faces – both employees & customers – that were here at the very beginning are still here. We continue to call on & count on our friends & family, & we’re forever grateful to the people that have helped us along the way. Most especially, we are grateful for the customers that continue to eat, drink & enjoy themselves at Bridges!

Nicole & Ellie



PLEASE NOTE:
Everything at Bridges is made fresh to order, so please be patient. We are working as hard as we can—perfection takes time! One check per table is preferred.

CONSUMING RAW OR UNDERCOOKED MEATS, POULTRY, SEAFOOD OR EGGS MAY POSE AN INCREASED RISK OF FOODBORNE ILLNESS.

Appiteasers

LOBSTER CHOWDER

A creamy chowder filled with real lobster & veggies.

CUP 5.25

BOWL 7.99 Served with a lobster claw & garlic bread.

TODAY'S SOUP

Ask your server for the soup of the day.

CUP 3.99

BOWL 5.50

CLAM STRIPS

Breaded & fried, served with zesty cocktail sauce. 7.99

COCONUT SHRIMP

Crunchy & sweet, served with Bridges' Caribbean dip. 10.99

MEDITERRANEAN BRUSCHETTA

Olives, oven-roasted tomatoes, artichoke hearts & feta cheese, served with fried pita. 8.99

FRESH MOZZARELLA & TOMATO BREAD

Four pieces of toasted garlic bread topped with balsamic vinaigrette, toasted tomatoes, fresh mozzarella & fresh basil. 7.99

SPINACH ARTICHOKE DIP

Homemade dip, served with hot, fresh-fried tortilla chips. 8.50

BUFFALO SHRIMP

Lager-battered shrimp, fried until golden, topped with buffalo sauce & bleu cheese crumbles. 8.99

FRIED CALAMARI

Hand-battered rings & tentacles, served with cocktail sauce. 8.99

HOT DRUNKEN PERCH

Yellow lake perch dredged in hot sauce, breaded & fried, served with tartar sauce. 12.99

RED PEPPER HUMMUS & PITA

Served with fresh tomatoes, cucumbers & grilled pita. 7.99

MARYLAND CRAB CAKES

Three of the real deal—East coast crab. Served with our house sauce on the side. 10.99

BATTERED MUSHROOMS

Fresh, hand-battered mushrooms, served with ranch. 7.99

FRIED ASPARAGUS

Battered & fried crispy, served with ranch. 7.99

MOZZARELLA STICKS

A half-dozen breaded cheese sticks, served with marinara. 6.50

Salads

**ALL MIXED GREENS IN OUR SALADS ARE ORGANIC.
ALL SALADS ARE SERVED WITH GARLIC BREAD.**

MEDITERRANEAN BRUSCHETTA & FETA SALAD

Romaine, spring mix, olives, oven-roasted tomatoes, artichoke hearts, feta cheese & cucumbers. Served with balsamic vinaigrette on the side. 8.99

CRISPY CAESAR

Romaine & black pepper tossed with Caesar dressing, then topped with shaved Parmesan cheese, tomatoes & croutons. 7.99

MIXED GREENS

Romaine, spring mix, fresh tomatoes, cucumbers, green peppers & shredded carrots, topped with croutons, served with your choice of dressing.

SMALL 4.99

LARGE 7.50

PORTOBELLO & FRESH MOZZARELLA SALAD

Grilled portobellos marinated in balsamic, served with romaine & spring mix, topped with fresh mozzarella, tomatoes & fresh basil. Served with balsamic vinaigrette on the side. 8.99

CRANBERRY SALAD

Dried cranberries, bleu cheese crumbles & candied walnuts on romaine & spring mix, with your choice of dressing on the side. 8.99

THAI PEANUT SALAD

Edamame, carrots, cucumbers & chopped peanuts, served on romaine & spring mix with sesame ginger dressing on the side. 8.99

DRESSING CHOICES:

Balsamic Vinaigrette, Fat-Free Raspberry Vinaigrette, Honey Dijon, Caesar, Ranch, Bleu Cheese, Sesame Ginger

ADD TO ANY SALAD:

Grilled Free-Range Chicken 3.50 / Fried Chicken 3.00
Faux Fried Chicken 3.50 / Faux Fried Fish 3.50 / Steak 3.75
Cajun Shrimp Skewers 4.50 (1) 6.50 (2)

You May Request No Spice



Veggie Lovers

**INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE OF SWEET POTATO FRIES (TRY BRIDGES' HOMEMADE DIPPING SAUCE FOR .50)
~ HOMEMADE COLESLAW ~ FRESH-CUT FRENCH FRIES ~ CHIPS ~ RICE & BEANS ~ COTTAGE CHEESE
~ SUB A HOUSE SALAD FOR 1.50**

GRILLED CHEESE & TOMATO SANDWICH

Three yummy layers, with cheddar and Swiss American cheeses & toasted tomatoes. 8.50

HUMMUS & VEGGIE WRAP

Roasted red pepper hummus, tomatoes, cucumbers, green peppers, shredded carrots, romaine & organic spring mix. 7.99

100% GLUTEN FREE
Sub a gluten-free tortilla for 1.50
Add feta cheese for 1.00

BALSAMIC PORTOBELLO WRAP

Marinated portobellos, organic spring mix, romaine, tomatoes & onions, with fresh basil and balsamic vinaigrette in a wrap. 8.99

100% GLUTEN FREE
Sub a gluten-free tortilla for 1.50
Add fresh mozzarella for 1.00

THAI PEANUT FAUX CHICKEN WRAP

Faux chicken tenders, carrots, cucumbers, edamame, chopped peanuts, romaine & organic spring mix, tossed in sesame ginger dressing. 9.50

MULTI-GRAIN BURGER

Made with quinoa, corn, black beans & roasted red peppers. Served on a homestyle bun with cheddar cheese. Comes with lettuce, tomato, onion & BBQ sauce on the side. 8.99

VEGAN
SPECIFY IF YOU'RE VEGAN. We'll serve it on a sprouted, whole-grain bun with vegan Daiya cheese, along with a side of lettuce, tomato, onion & BBQ sauce. 9.99

CARIBBEAN FAUX FISH WRAP

Battered, fried faux fish, wrapped in a flour tortilla with cabbage, mango salsa and our house Caribbean sauce. 13.99

FAUX FISH TACO WRAP

A veggie version of our best seller. Crispy battered faux fish, wrapped up with American cheese, cabbage, tomatoes & our house sauce. 13.99

VEGAN
SUB FAUX CHICKEN TENDERS OR BATTERED FAUX FISH IN ANY MENU ITEM FOR 2.00

Sandwiches & Such

**INCLUDES YOUR CHOICE OF SWEET POTATO FRIES (TRY BRIDGES' HOMEMADE DIPPING SAUCE FOR .50)
~ HOMEMADE COLESLAW ~ FRESH-CUT FRENCH FRIES ~ CHIPS ~ RICE & BEANS ~ COTTAGE CHEESE
~ SUB A HOUSE SALAD FOR 1.50**

BBQ BEEF BRISKET PO'BOY

Thin strips of smoked brisket, our house BBQ sauce & Swiss American cheese on a toasted hoagie bun. 10.50

CHICKEN SPINACH ARTICHOKE SANDWICH

Grilled, free-range chicken & homemade spinach artichoke dip on a homestyle bun. Served with lettuce, tomato & onion on the side. 9.99

GRILLED CHICKEN GYRO WRAP

Grilled free-range chicken, tomatoes, cucumbers, onion, romaine & tzatziki sauce, wrapped in a flour tortilla. 9.50

100% GLUTEN FREE
Sub a gluten-free tortilla for 1.50

CHICKEN STRIP BASKET

Choose your sauce - BBQ, ranch or honey dijon - to dip. 7.99

BUFFALO FRIED CHICKEN WRAP

Fried chicken, romaine & fresh tomatoes, wrapped with our creamy wing sauce & bleu cheese crumbles. 9.99

HALF-POUND ANGUS BURGER

Half-pound burger, grilled with our special marinade, served on a homestyle bun with lettuce, tomato & onion on the side. 9.50

Add American, Swiss American, cheddar or pepperjack cheese for .50.

PULLED PORKIE

Hickory-smoked pork in a sweet BBQ sauce on a homestyle bun, served with homemade coleslaw on the side. 9.99

THAI CHICKEN PEANUT WRAP

Crispy chicken wrapped up with romaine, organic spring mix, carrots, cucumbers, edamame, chopped peanuts & sesame ginger dressing. 9.50

BRIDGES STEAK SANDWICH

Juicy, marinated steak & grilled onions on a toasted hoagie, topped with Swiss American cheese. 10.50

GRILLED CHICKEN CAESAR WRAP

Grilled free-range chicken tossed with romaine, tomatoes, shaved Parmesan cheese & Caesar dressing. 9.50

100% GLUTEN FREE
Sub a gluten-free tortilla for 1.50



Seafood

INCLUDES COLESLAW & YOUR CHOICE OF SWEET POTATO FRIES (TRY BRIDGES' HOMEMADE DIPPING SAUCE FOR .50) ~ FRESH-CUT FRENCH FRIES ~ CHIPS ~ RICE & BEANS ~ COTTAGE CHEESE ~ SUB A HOUSE SALAD FOR 1.50 **ALL GRILLED SEAFOOD AT BRIDGES IS PREPARED WITH CAJUN SEASONING - YOU MAY REQUEST NO SPICE IF YOU WISH

FISH TACO WRAP—FRIED OR GRILLED**

BRIDGES' BEST SELLER!

Not your typical fish taco, it's wrapped up with American cheese, cabbage, tomatoes & our house sauce. 12.99

PUB FISH SANDWICH

Battered pollock on a toasted hoagie with lettuce, tomato, onion & our house dill tartar sauce on the side. 11.99

FRIED YELLOW LAKE PERCH DINNER

Hand-breaded, fried perch, served with our house dill tartar sauce on the side. 15.99

MARYLAND CRAB CAKE DINNER

Real Maryland crab cakes, fried & served with Bridges' house sauce. 13.99

CARIBBEAN SHRIMP WRAP

Lager-battered shrimp, fried & wrapped up with cabbage, mango salsa & our Caribbean aioli. 13.99

PUB FISH

Battered pollock, fried & served with tartar sauce. 11.99

CAJUN GRILLED FISH DINNER**

Mild & flaky, grilled in butter, cajun & garlic. 13.99

COCONUT SHRIMP

Crunchy & sweet, served with our Caribbean dip. 10.99

CLAM STRIPS

Breaded & fried, served with zesty cocktail sauce. 9.99

GRILLED SALMON BURGER

Wild-caught salmon grilled with ginger teriyaki crust, served on a homestyle bun with lettuce, tomato, onion & sesame ginger sauce on the side. 10.99

GRILLED SHRIMP SKEWERS**

Two shrimp skewers, grilled with butter, zesty cajun spices & garlic. 13.99

JUMBO FRIED SHRIMP

Panko-coated crunchiness, served with cocktail sauce. 9.99

FRIED SHRIMP PO'BOY

Lager-battered shrimp served on a toasted hoagie, with lettuce, tomato, onion & our house remoulade on the side. 11.99

CAJUN GRILLED FISH SANDWICH**

Mild & flaky whitefish, grilled in butter, cajun & garlic, served on a toasted hoagie roll with lettuce, tomato, onion & our spicy house remoulade on the side. 13.99

MARYLAND CRAB CAKE SANDWICH

Real Maryland crab cakes, fried & served on a homestyle bun with lettuce, tomato, onion & our house sauce on the side. 12.99

SESAME GINGER MAHI MAHI DINNER

Grilled with ginger teriyaki crust, served on a bed of cabbage & topped with sesame ginger sauce. 16.99



Kid's Menu

YOUR CHOICE OF THE FOLLOWING WITH FOUNTAIN DRINK OR JUICE BOX, AND CHIPS, FRIES, COTTAGE CHEESE OR APPLESAUCE. 5.99

**GRILLED CHEESE
CHICKEN STRIPS**

**BURGER
FRIED SHRIMP**

**PUB FISH
CORN DOG**