

TO START

WISCONSIN CHEESE CURDS

beer battered & fried, curry ketchup (v) | 11

GRILLED OYSTERS

morita butter, toast, grilled lime
6 for 20, 12 for 32

EMPANADAS

housemade chorizo, chihuahua cheese,
serrano-dill aioli | 12

CHICKEN FRIED LOBSTER

banana pepper, spicy ranch, lemon | 24

YELLOWFIN TUNA CEVICHE

papaya pico de gallo, basil-serrano salsa,
avocado, tortilla chips (gf) | 21

BUFFALO CAULIFLOWER

almond, celery, breadcrumb,
blue cheese dip (v/n) | 10

GRILLED ELOTES

guajillo aioli, lime, pecorino, honey (gf) | 10

SALADS

ADD TO ANY SALAD: chicken 8 shrimp (s) 13 steak 16

FARMER'S SALAD

arugula, radish, cauliflower couscous,
avocado, green beans, peppers,
cucumber, napa slaw, cilantro (gf/v) | 15

SUPER GREEN SALAD

tuscan kale, spinach, arugula, avocado,
quinoa, pepitas, housemade green goddess
dressing (gf/v) | 15

BURRATA

peach, basil, heirloom tomato, tuscan olive oil,
8yr balsamic | 16

THE DAWSON

CHICAGO ★ EST. 2013

WOOD-FIRED GRILL

house specialties made over open fire



SPICED GRILLED CHICKEN

coriander jasmine rice, grilled lemon, berbere spice, radish
and cucumber slaw, apricot chutney (gf) | 25

BUTCHER'S CUT

grilled broccolini, roasted tomato, bordelaise (t) | MP

CATALPA GROVE PORK CHOP

grilled peach, mostarda, poblano-corn succotash (t) | 34

GRILLED FISH TACOS

perfect to start or share

market fish, golden habanero salsa, grilled pico de gallo,
green papaya salad, flour tortilla | 48

ENTRÉES

HUDSON BAY SCALLOPS

esquites, chorizo vinaigrette,
corn jus, pickled fresno | 32

CURRY CAULIFLOWER

tikka masala, pickled golden
raisin, roasted almond,
cilantro, basmati rice (gf/v/n) | 19
add chicken 8 shrimp (s) 13
steak 16

PAN-SEARED HALIBUT

market succotash, wilted
spinach, paprika beurre blanc
(s/gf) | 32

RIGATONI

housemade fennel sausage,
creamy vodka sauce, grana
padano, fresh herbs | 23

AVAILABLE VEGETARIAN

SANDWICHES

THE DAWSON BURGER

american cheese, lettuce, dill pickle,
caramelized onion, mustard aioli (t) | 17
add bacon | 2

DUCK TACOS

duck carnitas, roasted pico de gallo, spicy peanut
salsa (n) | 2 for 14

SIDES

GRILLED ASPARAGUS

pecorino, lemon vinaigrette, garlic bread
crumbs (v) | 10

MAC & CHEESE

hook's aged cheddar, house-cured bacon | 10

GRILLED BABY CARROTS

tahini, almond, fresno, mint (n/gf/v) | 10

DESSERT

PEANUT BUTTER FUDGE PIE

smooth chocolate cream, caramelized peanut,
malt chantilly, fudge (n/v) | 14

ORANGE CREAMSICLE SUNDAE

vanilla chantilly, blood orange ice cream, citrus
vanilla cake (v) | 12

MIXED BERRY GALETTE

sweet flaky crust, local michigan berries, sweet
corn ice cream, crème anglaise (v) | 14

FULL MENU ALSO AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP & DELIVERY AT THE-DAWSON.COM

Private event space available

(gf) gluten free • (v) vegetarian • (s) shellfish • (n) contains nuts

(t) cooked to order; consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of food-borne illness

PREMIUM OLD FASHIONEDS

OLD FORESTER

Louisville, KY - bourbon | 14
nutty, toasted corn, shortbread

STARLIGHT SINGLE BARREL

Clark County, IN - sauternes - finished bourbon | 22
honey, butterscotch, lemon rind

PELOTÓN DE LA MUERTE 'CRIOLLO'

Mazatlán, Guerrero, MX - mezcal | 22
campfire, wheatgrass, roasted orange

THE ROTATING DRIP

TWO'S COMPANY, THREE'S A PARTY

wild turkey 101 rye whiskey, pierre ferrand 1840 cognac, lillet rose vermouth, amaro montenegro, rhubarb bitters | 15

SPIRIT-FREE OPTIONS

FAUX-LOMA

lime, salt, fever tree grapefruit soda | 8

PINEAPPLE EXPRESS

passionfruit, pineapple, fever tree tonic | 8

POMEGRANATE MULE

pomegranate juice, lime, fever tree ginger beer, mint | 8

SEASONAL COCKTAILS

A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME | 14

espolon tequila, rin quin quin aperitif, aperol, sparkling rose
juicy - easy - spritz

PINKIES UP | 14

chicago spirit gin, carpano bianco, prickly pear, grand marnier, lime
balanced - updated - cosmopolitan

GARDEN PARTY | 14

grey goose essences white peach and rosemary, lillet blanc, st germain, lemon juice, peychaud's bitters
bright - floral - patio crusher

KEEP ON KEEPING ON | 14

libelula tequila, combier crème de pêche, caffo maraschino, green tea, lemon, angostura
peachy - tequila - tiki

ALOE IN THE SHALLOWS | 14

chicago spirit vodka, chateau aloe liqueur, combier le bleu, lemon, fever tree indian tonic
beachy - aloe - collins

CHI-BABY | 14

rare tea cellars chai-infused peloton de la muerte mezcal, rhine hall mango brandy, licor 43, lemon
chai - mezcal - sour

PUT A BERRY IN IT | 14

aberfeldy 12 year scotch, cynar, rhubarb, strawberry, lemon
berried - whiskey - smash

FROZEN COCKTAIL

DAQ ATTACK | 16

bacardi superior white rum, combier banane, lime, absinthe
banana - frozen - daiquiri

DAWSON CLASSICS

SOME LIKE IT HOT | 14

tequila, lime, orange, agave, habanero
tart - refreshing - spicy

G.T.O. | 14

gin, vermouth, grapefruit, lime, thyme, hopped bitters
bright - herbacious - The Dawson favorite

DRAFT BEER

HALF ACRE PONY

Local Pilsner - Chicago (5%) | 8

RIGHT BEE CIDER

Dry Cider - Chicago, IL (5%) | 9

HOPEWELL 'CLOVER CLUB'

Botanical Raspberry Sour - Chicago, IL (6.2%) | 9

DOGFISH HEAD HAZY-O!

Oat Milk IPA - Delaware (7.1%) | 9

REVOLUTION 'ANTI-HERO'

IPA - Chicago, IL (6.7%) | 8

SPITEFUL BREWING 'WORKING FOR THE WEEKEND'

Double IPA - Chicago, IL (7.9%) | 10

MOODY TONGUE 'CHOCOLATE CHURRO'

Baltic Porter - Chicago, IL (7.0%) | 10

SPITEFUL TANGERINE RADLER

Lager with Tangerine Soda - Chicago, IL (2.7%) | 8