

Lori's Picks

Restaurant Reviews



Chez Pierre Restaurant

979 Saratoga Rd (Rte.9), Town of Wilton, Gansevoort, NY
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Are you looking for that new romantic spot? Do you have a special anniversary or date coming up? Or maybe you are a fan of French cuisine, and enjoy dining in restaurants that have a distinctive allure about them. Whatever category you fall into, I highly recommend that you make a reservation at Chez Pierre.

Chez Pierre was opened by Joe and Pierrette Baldwin in 1963 and has been family owned and operated ever since. Pierrette, being a native of France, has brought a bit of the French countryside to the Capital District. From the French murals, floral window valances, and pink tablecloths, Chez Pierre just drips with charm. Even the bar area is oozing with French personality. If you are a lover of quaint surroundings you will relish in the ambiance at Chez Pierre.

If the atmosphere at Chez Pierre does not make you feel as though you are in the French countryside, the menu certainly will. With choices varying

from veal vosgienne, steak au poivre flambé, filet of sole meuniere, and escargot—there are many enticing options. As we pondered the menu we were not only brought French bread, but smooth and pleasingly rich pâté and crackers. To start our meal I ordered the cream of squash French soup, and my companion selected the French onion soup. My soup was made with citrouille, which is a cross between pumpkin and squash. It was smooth and creamy without being heavy, and the flavor was divine. It was perfect on a chilly fall evening. My companion's crock of French onion soup was first-rate, brimming with melted cheese and full of flavor. We shared a second appetizer of clams casino that was out-of-this-world. The clams were plump, tender and complemented beautifully by the onion, garlic, and prosciutto.

For our entrees, I ordered the chicken chasseur and my companion decided on the sole margueray—a creation of Joe and Pierrette Baldwin. Our

dinners came with spring mix salads that were a total delight. My chicken chasseur was a rolled chicken breast stuffed with prosciutto and Swiss cheese in a brown sauce with shallots, mushrooms, and tarragon. The meal was aromatic, with a wonderful fusion of tastes. My companion's sole margueray was phenomenal. The sole was poached in a chablis cream sauce and garnished with shrimp and mussels. It was a masterpiece.

After an evening of decadent dining, my companion and I decided to share a piece of French cream cheesecake. It is made in-house, and is creamier than typical cheesecake. It was served with a raspberry sauce and fresh raspberries. I was swooning with each bite. It just does not get any better!

Chez Pierre is a true dining experience. From the stellar cuisine to the outstanding service and old-world atmosphere, it is a unique gem right here in the Capital District!



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Serving Dinner Tuesday - Friday, 5:30pm - 10:00pm
Saturday, 5:00pm - 10:00pm and Sunday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Racing Season Schedule - 7 Days, 5:00pm - 10:00pm

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