

Veda is a little bite of India in the heart of Philly. Combining the bold flavors and warmth of India with the subtleties of modern dining, Veda is the culmination of our history and our future.

## Welcome to

# Veda - Modern Indian Bistro

In India, dining is considered as an intimately sensory experience - in that it awakens the core senses of sight, smell, touch, and taste. Food is considered as a way to connect to a person's soul, and the flavors, aroma, presentation or serving, and the way it demands to be consumed, all contribute to a culinary experience that is unlike any other.

Since ancient times, the spices and cooking methods used in Indian food have been associated with maintaining a healthy mind, body, and soul.

Our sages believed that the key to attaining health was through a perfect balance of food.

At Veda, we don't just serve indulgent Indian Cuisine, but food that takes ancient Indian heritage and recipes with spices that have immense medicinal and healing benefits, and combines it with modern dining aspects and flavors to bring you a holistic approach towards Indian Cuisine and Fine Dining. Our food combines knowledge of ayurveda and imbibes it in our cooking process to keep the tridoshas in perfect balance, while providing a fine culinary experience.

We welcome our guests to experience Indian hospitality that exemplifies "Athithi Devo Bhava" [Guests are equivalent to God], along with our indulgent cuisine. Come, catch a glimpse of India at Veda!



# **Prix-Fixe Family Style (Four Tiers)**

Substitutions for dishes of equal or lesser value incur no additional charge. Any addition of Lamb or Seafood will incur an additional \$3.00 per person.

# Tier One

\$55.00 Per Person

# **Appetizers**

Choice of: 2 Vegetarian Appetizers

1 Chicken Appetizer

# Entrées

Choice of: 3 Vegetarian Entrées 1 Chicken Entrée

Assorted Naan Basket / Rice / Raita

## **Desserts**

Choice of any 2 desserts



# Tier Two

# \$65.00 Per Person

# **Appetizers**

Choice of: 2 Vegetarian Appetizers
2 Chicken Appetizer

# Entrées

Choice of: 3 Vegetarian Entrées 2 Chicken Entrée

Assorted Naan Basket / Rice / Raita

# **Desserts**

Choice of any 2 desserts



# Tier Three

# \$75.00 Per Person

# **Appetizers**

Choice of: 2 Vegetarian Appetizers
3 Chicken Appetizer

# Entrées

Choice of: 3 Vegetarian Entrées 2 Chicken Entrée 1 Lamb / Seafood Entrée

Assorted Naan Basket / Rice / Raita

# **Desserts**

Choice of any 3 desserts



# **Tier Four**

# \$85.00 Per Person

# **Appetizers**

Choice of: 3 Vegetarian Appetizers
3 Chicken Appetizer

# Entrées

Choice of: 3 Vegetarian Entrées

2 Chicken Entrée

1 Lamb Entrée

1 Seafood Entrée

Assorted Naan Basket / Rice / Raita

# **Desserts**

Choice of any 3 desserts



# **Appetizers**

# Vegetarian

## Spicy Corn Soup (V, GF)

Curried Potatoes & Peas stuffed fried pastry served with Cilantro-Mint & Tamarind chutney

#### Okra Salad (V, GF)

Julienned Okra flash-fried and tossed in tangy spice mix along with Shallots & Tomatoes

#### Curried Butternut Squash Soup (V, GF)

Roasted Butternut Squash soup tempered with Ginger, Lemon, and Coconut

## Tandoori Grilled Salad (Tun·dur·ee) (GF)

Perfectly charred Paneer (Cottage Cheese) blocks, Bell Pepper, Onions, and Pineapple dressed with a sunny, herby Lemon Vinaigrette

### Vegetable Samosas (Sa·mou·sa) (V)

Curried Potatoes and Peas stuffed fried pastry (2) served with Cilantro-Mint & Tamarind chutney

## Ragda Patties (Rug·da) (V, GF)

Crispy curried Potato patties (3) served on a bed of curried Chickpeas, topped with chopped Onion, Tomato, Tamarind chutney, and Cilantro

#### Lasooni Gobi (La·suni Go·bee) (V, GF)

Lightly battered and flash-fried Cauliflower tossed in a Ginger-Garlic sauce

## Crispy Spinach Chaat (GF)

Chickpea flour coated flash fried baby Spinach; tossed with Shallots, Tomatoes, Sweet Yogurt, and Tamarind & Date chutney

#### ⋆ Masala Hummus Platter (Muh·sa·luh)

House-made curried Hummus, grilled Eggplant curry, and flash-fried Chili Chickpeas, served with Garlic Naan

# Chicken

### Chicken Murmuri Rolls (Moor-moori)

Hand-rolled tortillas stuffed with shredded Chicken Onions and roasted Peppers seasoned with Kasoori Methi & Garam Masala

#### Mirch Murgh Tikka (Mir·ch Moor·gh Tik·kaa) (GF)

Boneless Chicken morsels (8) marinated in Yogurt, Mint, Chili, and Cilantro

#### Chicken Tikka Achari (Tik·Kaa A·Cha·Ree) (GF)

Boneless Chicken morsels (8) marinated in Yogurt, Fennel, Onion seeds, and Mustard

#### Tandoori Chicken (Tuhn·doo·ree) (GF)

Half Chicken (red & white meat on the bone) marinated in Yogurt and our special blend of spices, then grilled

#### Calcutta Pork Ribs (Cal·cut·aa) (GF)

Hearty Baby-Back Ribs (4) marinated in a Mango Chili glaze and garnished with Lime & Cilantro



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## Lamb

## Lamb Chops (GF)

Double-cut Lamb (4 pieces) marinated in Yogurt, Green Chilies, and our special blend of spices (Ginger, Cardamom, Garam Masala); served with Aloo Bharta (Indian style mashed Potato)

# Seafood

## Fish Peri-Peri (GF)

Pan-seared Tilapia seasoned with our special Goan spice blend & Peri-Peri Marinade, then cooked in Ginger, Garlic, and Wine Vinegar

## Tandoori Shrimp (Tuhn·doo·ree) (GF)

Tiger Shrimp (6 pieces) marinated in our special marinade and grilled to perfection; served on a bed of Khichdi (Lentil and Rice)

## Goan Crab Cake (Go·un)

House-made Crab Cakes (2) flash-fried and served with Tomato Panch-Phoran (Five Spice) chutney

## Salmon Tandoori (Tuhn·doo·ree) (GF)

Grilled boneless Salmon (8 oz.) marinated with Ginger, Garlic, freshly ground spices and Yogurt

# **Entrées**

# Vegetarian

## Pindi Chana Masala (Pin·dee Cha·na Muh·sa·luh) (V, GF)

Curried Chickpeas in a Tomatoes and Onion-based gravy, tossed in a spice mix containing Carom Seed, Cumin, Pomegranate, and Green Mango

## Dal Makhani (Daa·l Muh·kha·nee) (GF)

A decadent & rich Lentil delicacy seasoned with Onions, Tomatoes, Ginger, Garlic, and Cream

#### ⋆ Tofu Green Peas Curry (V, GF)

Tofu & Peas in an Onion-Tomato, Ginger-Garlic curry sauce with toasted Cashew Nuts and Fenugreek greens

#### Gobi Mutter (Go·bee Ma·tur) (V, GF)

Cauliflower, Peas, & Potatoes stir-fried and tossed in a blend of Turmeric, Cilantro, Ginger, Onion and Chili powder

### Paneer Palak (Pun-eer Pa-luck) (GF)

Roasted Paneer (Cottage Cheese) in a velvety Spinach curry with Garlic & Ginger, tossed in Garam Masala and Dill spice mix

### \* Paneer Makhani (Pun·eer M·kha·nee) (GF)

Paneer (Cottage Cheese) cubes cooked in a creamy, rich, buttery Tomato gravy, made with Cashew Nuts, burnt Ginger, Honey, & Fenugreek greens

#### \* Wild Mushroom Korma (Core·ma) (GF)

Shitake, Creminii, & Oyster Mushroom trio cooked in Yogurt cream sauce simmered with Cardamom, Cumin, and Cilantro

### \* Khubani Malai Kofta (Khoo-baa-nee Muh-lie Kof-ta) (GF)

Hand-made Apricots & Cottage Cheese dumplings (4) served in a Turmeric, Cilantro, Cashew Nuts, Cardamom, & Cream gravy



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## Chicken

## ⋆ Chicken Makhani (Tik·kaa M·kha·nee) (GF)

Boneless Chicken pieces cooked in a creamy, rich, buttery Tomato gravy, made with Cashew Nuts, burnt Ginger, Honey, & Fenugreek greens

## \* Chicken Chettinad (Chet-ee-naad) (GF)

Boneless Chicken morsels in a decadent sauce made from Black Pepper, Ginger, Garlic, Chilis, Curry leaves, Coconut and Cashew Nuts

## Chicken Lababdar (La·baa·b·daar) (GF)

Boneless Chicken morsels in a rich sauce made from Caramelized Onions, Tomato, & Ginger, garnished with fresh Cilantro greens

## \* Bhopali Chicken Korma (Bow·paalee Core·ma) (GF)

Boneless young Chicken in an indulgent Cardamom, Almond and Cream sauce

## Lamb

## Lamb Vindaloo (Vin·da·loo) (GF)

Tender pieces of boneless Lamb marinated in aged Vinegar and Red Wine, cooked with Onions, smoked Paprika, Fingerling Potatoes and a blend of spices — a Goan specialty

## Lamb Rogan josh (Row-guhn-joe-sh) (GF)

Boneless Lamb pieces simmered in an aromatic gravy made with Shallots, black Cardamom, Fennel, Garam Masala, and Kashmiri Red Chilies

## \* East India Lamb Shank (GF)

Slow-braised Lamb shank (on the bone) cooked in a mix of caramelized Onions, green Cardamom, Mace & Cashew Nuts

# Seafood

## \* Goan Shrimp Curry (Go·un) (GF)

A silky, aromatic Coconut curry made with Black Tiger Shrimp cooked in a mix of Deghi Chili Pepper, Peri-Peri masala, roasted Cilantro, Ginger, Garlic, & Black Cardamom

### Fish Moilee (Moy·lee) (GF)

A rich and creamy Kerala-style curry with White Bass cooked in coconut gravy with Ginger & Green Chilis and tempered with fresh Curry leaves & Mustard seeds



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# Rice & Biryani

## Basmati Rice (V, GF)

A savory Indian style rice dish made with long, slender-grained & aromatic rice

## Vegetable Biryani (Bee·r·yani) (GF)

A royal delicacy with seasonal vegetables, Basmati Rice, special Biryani masala, and aromatics steamed together

## \* Chicken Biryani (Bee·r·yani) (GF)

A Veda special—boneless Chicken, Basmati Rice, special Biryani masala, and aromatics steamed together

## Shrimp Biryani (Bee·r·yani) (GF)

Shrimp, Basmati Rice, special Biryani masala, and aromatics are cooked together for this decadent dish

#### Lamb Biryani (Bee·r·yani) (GF)

A royal, savory delicacy with layers of boneless Lamb, Basmati Rice, special Biryani masala, and aromatics steamed together

# **Desserts**

## Kulfi with Poached Blueberries (GF)

Traditional Indian Ice Cream (Malai Kulfi) topped with poached Blueberries and Crème-de-cassis

#### Gulab Jamun with Ice Cream

A classic Indian sweet made with Khoya, Rose-flavored syrup, Cardamom powder, topped with a scoop of Vanilla Ice Cream

#### Kheer (GF)

A traditional & royal Indian Rice Pudding flavored with Cardamom

#### Trio of Desi Ice Creams (This item is subject to negotiation on a special price by the management)

A selection of three favorite ice cream flavors from India: Maghai "Paan" (Betel Nut Leaves), Tutti Frutti (Dried Fruits Ice Cream), and Kesar Pista (Pistachio)

#### Flourless Chocolate Torte slice (GF)

A dense and fudgy gluten-free flourless chocolate cake slice

#### Strawberry Cheesecake slice

A soft, fluffy, light cake with a silky cream cheese frosting, topped with Strawberry

#### Chili Mango Sorbet

A refreshing sorbet made with royal Alphonso Mango purée, with a touch of heat of Chili

#### Wine Pear Sorbet

A cool, refreshing dessert made with pears poached in wine

#### Flourless Chocolate Torte Cake

A dense and fudgy gluten-free flourless chocolate cake

Special menu featuring live stations available on demand, with special pricing. Please inquire directly with the management for details.



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# **Bar Packages**

#### **Unlimited Beer & Wine**

\$50.00 Per Person

Beers, 3 Wines (Sparkling, Red, and White), Coffee, Tea, Juice, and Soft Drinks.

## Unlimited Beer, Wine, & Cocktails

\$60.00 Per Person

Beers, 3 Wines (Sparkling, Red, and White), 4 Cocktails, House-mixed Drinks, Coffee, Tea, Juice. and Soft Drinks.

#### Premium Unlimited Beer, Wine, & Cocktails

\$75.00 Per Person

Beers (Draft), 8 Wines (1 Sparkling/Rose, 4 Red, and 3 White), All Specialty Cocktails, Premium Mixed Drinks, Coffee, Tea, Juice, Mango Lassi, Salted Lassi, Sweet Lassi, and Soft Drinks.

#### **Unlimited Non Alcoholic**

\$25.00 Per Person

Nimboo Sharbat (Lime Juice, Lemon Juice, Angostura Orange Bitters, Club Soda),

Autumn Tea (Thai Chai Syrup, Poached Blueberries, Cranberry Juice, Club Soda)

Masala Chai (An Indian favorite, made with black tea, milk, and a mixture of aromatic

herbs and spices including Cardamom, Clove, & Cinnamon)

Imli Sharbat (Tamarind, Orange Juice, Agave Syrup, Tonic Water),

Virgin Mojito (Lime Juice, Simple Syrup, Muddled Mint and Lime, Club Soda),

Juices (Cranberry Juice, Orange Juice),

Soda (Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Ginger Ale),

Mango Lassi

Lemonade

# **Buy Out Minimums (Subtotals)**

At Veda, we do not charge an extra rental, although we request you to meet the buyout minimum through food and drinks cost.

## **LUNCH**

Mon -Thu: \$2,500.00

Fri: \$3,000.00

Sat-Sun: \$3,500.00

## **DINNER**

Mon -Thu: \$4,000.00

Fri - Sat: \$7,500.00

Sun: \$5,500.00

Partial Buyout for up to 40 people available. Pricing available on request.

Our event timings are 2.30 hours. Additional time available at additional cost.



# **Additional Services:**

BYOB Wine Corkage/Service Fee: (only eligible with purchase of bar package)

\$25.00 per bottle

Gratuity (21%)

Personalized Menus / Name Cards / Table Tents

\$100.00

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