

MY NAME IS DEAN CARSON, & I am a third generation Chicagoan. My family has been in the food & beverage business since the 1930s. Over 40 years ago, Carson's was created with this simple goal - serve large portions of great food at an honest price. The high expectations of several generations of Carson's customers drive me to keep the great things great. Time-honored recipes are rightfully expected to taste the same, all the time. Often, I notice families or a group of friends talking, laughing, & enjoying the timeless tradition of a meal at Carson's. I am *always* reminded that my primary job is to honor the legacy & reputation entrusted to me by decades of satisfied guests.



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STARTERS	
Homemade Cornbread or Fresh Baked Tuscan Loaf	7
Chopped Liver <i>our famous recipe, chopped onions, rye bread</i>	8
Scratch-Made French Onion Soup	12
Our Onion Rings <i>made fresh daily . . . Served until we run out</i>	15
Chargrilled Mediterranean Wings or Shrimp <i>virgin olive oil, lemon, garlic, herbs, cracked pepper</i>	17 20
Shrimp DeJonghe <i>white wine, garlic, butter, chives, whipped breadcrumbs</i>	20
Jumbo Lump Crab Cake <i>jumbo lump, breadcrumbs, our mustard sauce</i>	25

SALADS	
<i>Extraordinary dressings turn the everyday salad into a craving: a "must have" part of the meal. Ours, homemade from 80 year-old family recipes, are truly exceptional.</i>	
HOUSE • CAESAR* • CREAMY GARLIC • CREAMY FETA • BLUE CHEESE 1000 ISLAND • BALSAMIC OR CHAMPAGNE VINAIGRETTE	

Our Legendary Caesar*	15
<i>parmesan, homemade croutons, our Caesar dressing</i>	
Garden	15
<i>cucumber, tomato, red onion, homemade croutons</i>	
Garbage	18
<i>cucumber, tomato, scallions, artichoke, egg, hearts of palm, bacon</i>	
Iceberg Wedge	18
<i>tomato, red onion, bacon, blue cheese crumbles</i>	
Traditional Greek	18
<i>cucumber, tomato, red onion, bell pepper, Kalamata olives, feta</i>	
Cobb	19
<i>cucumber, tomato, red onion, avocado, bacon, egg, blue cheese crumbles</i>	

WHOLE CHICKEN BREAST 12 • 4 U12 SHRIMP 16 FRESH SALMON FILLET 16 • PEPPERCORN FILET SKEWERS 18

SIGNATURE SANDWICHES	
<i>served with Award - Winning Cole Slaw & one choice from our Superb Sides</i>	

Slow Smoked BBQ Pulled Pork or Brisket Sandwich	20 21
<i>slow - smoked overnight . . . served until we run out</i>	
Chargrilled Chicken Breast Sandwich	21
<i>BBQ, blackened, Mediterranean, or plain grilled</i>	
Carson's Custom Blend Half-Pound Burger*	22
<i>lettuce, tomato, red onion, pickle, & choice of cheese</i>	
Fresh Salmon Sandwich*	26
<i>BBQ, blackened, Mediterranean, or soy - ginger glazed</i>	

SUPERB SIDES	
<i>Award - Winning Cole Slaw & one choice below are included at no additional charge with all Entrées & Sandwiches</i>	
Famous Au Gratin Potatoes • Ultimate Double Baked Potato	
Roasted Greek Potatoes • Salt & Pepper Crusted Baked Potato	
Steak Fries • Creamed Spinach • Fresh Broccoli	

AMERICA'S BEST BBQ	
<i>Carson's proudly serves award - winning competition - style barbecue ribs. No boiling, no liquid smoke, no dry rub. No marinades or tenderizers. NOT "fall - off - the - bone" style. Carson's legendary ribs, chicken, & chops are smoked for hours in a genuine hickory wood - burning pit. Real, authentic, slow - cooked BBQ.</i>	
<i>served with Award - Winning Cole Slaw & one choice from our Superb Sides</i>	

BBQ Baby Back Ribs	half slab 27 full slab 38
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Half BBQ Chicken	27
Bone - In BBQ Charcrusted Pork Chop*	37
BBQ Marriage	<i>half slab & half chicken</i> 39
BBQ In - Laws	<i>half slab & slow - smoked BBQ brisket</i> 40
BBQ Cousins*	<i>half chicken & bone - in charcrusted pork chop</i> 47
BBQ Combo	<i>half slab & bone - in charcrusted pork chop</i> 47
Turf & Turf	<i>half slab & petite 6 oz. filet mignon</i> 50

GREAT STEAKS	
<i>All across the Midwest, people expect a greak steak. At Carson's, we serve only the finest USDA Prime & Certified Angus beef. We further age this beef for a minimum of five weeks in-house, then our butchers cut & trim to our exact specifications. Our family has been buying, aging, & preparing great steaks since the 1930s. Taste the difference 90 years of experience makes.</i>	
<i>Our charcrust is highly recommended.</i>	
<i>We do not recommend & will respectfully NOT GUARANTEE steaks ordered "medium well" or above.</i>	
<i>served with Award - Winning Cole Slaw & one choice from our Superb Sides</i>	

Carson's World - Famous Prime Rib Sandwich*	32
<i>slow - smoked overnight . . . served until we run out</i>	

10 oz. Filet Mignon*	<i>center barrel cut, with an onion ring</i> 59
16 oz. Prime N.Y. Strip*	<i>center cut, with an onion ring</i> 60
20 oz. Prime Rib*	<i>slow - smoked overnight . . . served until we run out</i> 60
28 oz. Bone - In Ribeye Delmonico*	<i>center cut, with an onion ring</i> 71
CREMINI MUSHROOMS, CARAMELIZED ONIONS, OR BLUE CHEESE 5 BERNAISE BUTTER OR GARLIC CHIVE BUTTER 3	

FAMOUS FAVORITES	
<i>served with Award - Winning Cole Slaw & one choice from our Superb Sides</i>	

Half Roasted Greek Chicken	28
<i>virgin olive oil, lemon, garlic, herbs, bell pepper</i>	
Chargrilled Mediterranean Shrimp	34
<i>virgin olive oil, lemon, garlic, herbs, chargrilled vegetables</i>	
Shrimp DeJonghe	34
<i>white wine, garlic, butter, chives, whipped breadcrumbs</i>	
Bone - In Mediterranean Charcrusted Pork Chop*	38
<i>virgin olive oil, lemon, garlic, herbs, bell pepper</i>	
Cedar Plank Salmon*	36
<i>BBQ, blackened, Mediterranean, or soy - ginger glazed</i>	

*This item is served raw or undercooked, or contains (or may contain) raw or undercooked ingredients. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness.

SIGNATURE COCKTAILS

Carson's proudly serves "old - school pours" . . . *SPIRITS* 2 oz | 3 oz | 4 oz

Carson's Cosmo <i>Skyy Citrus, triple sec, cranberry, fresh lime juice</i>	16	Manhattan <i>Four Roses, sweet vermouth, Angostura, luxardo cherry</i>	16
Classic Martini <i>Skyy, olives or lemon twist</i>	16	Old Fashioned <i>rye, Angostura & orange bitters, orange, luxardo cherry</i>	16
Absolut-ly Dirty Martini <i>Absolut, dry vermouth, olive brine, olives</i>	18	The Carson Margarita <i>tequila, triple sec, fresh lime juice, salt rim</i>	15
Espresso Martini <i>Skyy, Kahlua, espresso</i>	16	Our Famous Sidecar <i>Korbel, triple sec, fresh lemon juice, sugar rim</i>	16
Blood Orange Paloma <i>tequila, blood orange liqueur, fresh lime juice, grapefruit</i>	16	Old School Chicago <i>choice of Bulleit Bourbon, Tullamore Dew, or Canadian Club, & ginger ale</i>	17

FEATURED WINE

Carson's proudly serves "old - school pours" . . . 4 glasses per bottle

WHITES

Nicolas Feuillate <i>Brut Champagne France</i>	16
Henri Champliau Crément de Bourgogne <i>Brut Rosé France</i>	17 68
Piper - Heidsieck <i>Rosé Sauvage France</i>	120
Veuve Clicquot <i>Brut Champagne France</i>	135
Aviary <i>Chardonnay California</i>	13 52
Raeburn <i>Chardonnay California</i>	15 60
Banshee <i>Chardonnay California</i>	65
Patz & Hall <i>Chardonnay California</i>	74
Shades of Blue <i>Riesling Germany</i>	13 52
Whispering Angel <i>Rosé France</i>	16 64

La Fiera <i>Pinot Grigio Italy</i>	13 52
Tiefenbrunner <i>Pinot Grigio Italy</i>	60
Kim Crawford <i>Sauvignon Blanc New Zealand</i>	14 56
Twomey <i>Sauvignon Blanc California</i>	75

BEER

DRAFT

Miller Lite <i>Light Lager Wisconsin</i>	6
Stella Artois <i>Pilsner Belgium</i>	7
Goose Island IPA <i>IPA Chicago</i>	8
Rotating Selections <i>ask your server for details</i>	MP

PACKAGED

Sam Adams Boston Lager <i>Lager Massachussetts</i>	6
Coors Light <i>Light Lager Colorado</i>	6
Angry Orchard <i>Cider New York</i>	7
Modelo Especial <i>Lager Mexico</i>	7
Paulaner Hefe - Weizen <i>Weissbier Germany</i>	8
Goose Island Matilda <i>Belgian - Style Pale Ale Chicago</i>	8

ZERO PROOF

Heineken 0.0 <i>Non - Alcoholic Pale Lager The Netherlands</i>	5
Cucumber Honey Cooler <i>honey simple syrup, cucumber, iced tea, limeade, cranberry</i>	9
Cranberry Lime Rickey <i>fresh lime juice, cranberry, simple syrup, seltzer, sprite</i>	9
Palomita <i>grapefruit, simple syrup, seltzer, Sprite, orange, salt</i>	9

REDS

Indian Wells by Chateau Ste. Michelle <i>Cabernet Sauvignon Washington</i>	15 60
Austin by Austin Hope <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	18 72
Alexander Valley <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	20 80
Honig <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	108
Faust <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	118
Paul Hobbs Crossbarn <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	125
Hall <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	130
Groth <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	138
Adaptation <i>Cabernet Sauvignon California</i>	162

Harvey & Harriet by Booker <i>Red Blend California</i>	17 66
Mountain Cuvée by Chappellet <i>Red Blend California</i>	73
Chaos Theory by Brown Estate <i>Red Blend California</i>	90
POV by Robert Sinskey <i>Bordeaux Blend California</i>	102

Donati <i>Merlot Washington</i>	15 60
Duckhorn <i>Merlot California</i>	74

Midnight Estates <i>Zinfandel California</i>	16 64
Three Valleys by Ridge <i>Zinfandel California</i>	83
Echoes by Klinker Brick <i>Zinfandel California</i>	90

Catena Vista Flores <i>Malbec Argentina</i>	13 52
Alias <i>Pinot Noir California</i>	14 56
Heritage by Browne <i>Pinot Noir Oregon</i>	17 68
Ken Wright <i>Pinot Noir Oregon</i>	74
Cuvée de Trois by Joseph Swan <i>Pinot Noir California</i>	84
En Route <i>Pinot Noir California</i>	108

SOFT BEVERAGES

Acqua Panna <i>Still Water Italy</i>	9
San Pellegrino <i>Sparkling Water Italy</i>	9
Fresh - Brewed Iced Tea	5
Hot Tea <i>black, green, or herbal</i>	5
Coffee <i>regular or decaffeinated</i>	5
Espresso or Cappuccino	5 6
Juice <i>orange, grapefruit, pineapple, or cranberry</i>	5

