



# THE VORTEX<sup>®</sup>

BAR & GRILL



## FOOD MENU – HOME EDITION DOWNLOADED FROM OUR WEBSITE

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### PLACING TAKE-OUT ORDERS

The Vortex is a neighborhood bar. It is not really a “take-out” restaurant, so our “dine-in” guests will always be our first priority. That’s why we may suspend take-out orders during our peak business periods. Sorry, but when we’re really busy in-house, that’s just the way it has to be. Don’t cry. Don’t throw a fit. That won’t change anything, and it’s just going to make you look like a spoiled little whiner. If we don’t answer the phone, that is a pretty good indication that we are too busy to take “to-go” orders at the moment.

**Please Note:** After 8:00pm nightly, take-out orders can **ONLY** be placed in-person, at the bar.

When we are accepting phone-in to-go orders, you can help assure your complete satisfaction with the experience by following the simple five-step instructions below:

#### 1. CALL THE RIGHT LOCATION

Pay attention to which Vortex location you call to place your order, because that is where your food will be waiting for you. People often show up in Midtown, after having placed their order with Little 5 Points. Oops. That can be a real bummer when you’re hungry.

#### 2. HAVE YOUR ORDER READY

When the restaurant is busy, we just don’t have time to wait while you ask every member of the I.T. Department what dressing they want on their salads, so please have your order complete before you call. Think of all the various options – like burger temperatures, side dishes, bread selections, salad dressings, etc., etc., etc.

#### 3. COME AND GET IT

We will give you an approximate pick-up time for your order, so if your food sits around and gets cold and soggy, it’s your own damn fault.

#### 4. DOUBLE-CHECK IT

Always check the contents of your order before you leave. Nobody is perfect 100% of the time, and our Take-Out Expediter could have made a mistake, so double-check it. We will **NOT** be responsible for errors or missing items once orders are removed from our premises, because that’s the oldest scammer trick in the book. Sorry.

#### 5. GO BACK TO YOUR LAIR

If you order food to-go, you can’t eat it in the restaurant, that’s why it’s called “take-out.”

### TAKE-OUT FEES

A 5% packaging fee is added to all take-out orders. An additional 10% is added to orders of 15 or more items. If your order is much bigger than that, you should really consider contacting a caterer.

### TAKE-OUT ALCOHOL

By law, alcoholic beverages can NOT be sold “to-go,” with the exception of opened bottles of wine that are not finished by patrons when dining in-house. These bottles may be re-corked and taken home by the customer.

### CUSTOMER FEEDBACK

In an effort to constantly improve our operation we always welcome your comments. You can contact the owners directly through our website, at:

**www.TheVortexBarAndGrill.com.**

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### ADULTS ONLY IN THE VORTEX

In July of 2005 the “Georgia Smoke-Free Air Act” was passed. As a result, every restaurant owner in Georgia has been forced to choose between admitting minors or allowing their customers the option to smoke. Guess which option we chose? As it turns out, a majority of our patrons really enjoy eating, drinking and socializing in an “adult-only” environment. Therefore, you must now be at least 18 years old to enter The Vortex at any time.



# ◆◆◆ GROUP SNAX ◆◆◆



These appetizers are all perfect for sharing with your friends to get the party started. Or you can be a total glutton and order one all for yourself. We won't judge you.

## **BORRACHO NACHOS** 9.95

A pile of freshly fried tortilla chips covered with our Mighty Meaty Chili, Cheesy-Cheese Goo, fire-roasted salsa, diced tomato, chopped lettuce, and sour cream. If you're crazy, we'll build these Nachos on top of *tater tots* at your request. We'll also add sliced jalapeños if you want to kick it up a notch. (Add guacamole for 2.25)

## **BAD ASS BUFFALO WINGS** 9.95

We serve ten deep-fried chicken wings tossed in your choice of Original Buffalo, Spicy Honey Barbecue, **or** Atomic Death Sauce. They come with celery and a side of blue cheese **or** ranch dressing. **PLEASE NOTE:** *Atomic Death Sauce is really HOT. There are no returns for crybabies.* (Add a side of French Fries or Tots for 1.50)

## **CHEESY-CHEESE GOO** 7.25

A cup of our famous melty, gooey cheese dip served with your choice of tortilla chips, french fries, **or** tater tots. Dip away. It's so good, you'll be begging us for big, hot mouthfuls of goo. But you don't have to beg. We want you to have it. Try to maintain a little self-respect.

## **SOUTHERN FRIED PICKLES** 5.95

Crispy, crunchy dill pickle spears, battered and fried to perfection, then served with a side of spicy jalapeño ranch dressing for dipping. Just like your sweet old Mee Maw used to make.

## **MAC 'N' CHEESY-CHANGA™** 7.95

We stuff a flour tortilla full of macaroni 'n' cheese and barbecued pulled pork. Then we deep fry it, slice it for sharing, top it with a drizzle of our famous Cheesy-Cheese Goo, and serve it with a side of barbecue sauce. It's insanely good. While you don't have to be crazy to eat this, it probably wouldn't hurt. Oh, and you're welcome.

## **DIXIE FRIES** 9.95

A heapin' helpin' of french fries topped with melted jack & cheddar cheese, our homemade white sausage gravy, and crumbled bacon. The Canadians call their version "poutine," but y'all know a big ol' plate of kick-ass like this could only come from the Heart of Dixie!

## **KARI-KARI** 8.95

These delicate Asian dumplings are filled with cream cheese, finely puréed crab, and garlic. They're flash-fried and served with sesame soy **and** sweet pepper dipping sauces. An ex-Geisha girl actually makes these dainty pastries for us with her tiny Japanese hands. Really.

## **CHEDDAR BALLS O' GLORY** 7.95

A plate full of beer-battered, deep fried balls of cheddar cheese, served with jalapeño ranch dressing. These are by far the tastiest balls you'll ever put in your mouth. You know you want some, so just bite our cheesy balls.

# ◆◆◆ SOFT DRINKS ◆◆◆

We serve our soft drinks in big-ass 32-ounce tumblers. We also offer free refills to our dine-in guests on the beverages \*noted below. So New York's tiny tyrant Bloomberg can suck it hard!

(PLEASE NOTE: We do NOT offer any refills on take-out orders)

- ★ Coke, Diet Coke, Coke Zero, Sprite, **or** Ginger Ale ..... 2.25
- ★ Hi-C Pink Lemonade, Mello Yello, Dr. Pepper **or** Fanta Orange Soda..... 2.25
- ★ Sweet Tea **or** Unsweetened Iced Tea ..... 2.25
- ★ Coffee (We don't offer any half-caf, non fat, pump mocha, whole-milk foam kind of bullshit here. It comes black, in a cup) ..... 1.95

## **PREMIUM BOTTLED & CANNED BEVERAGES**

- Abita Root Beer **or** Boylan's Grape Soda (12 oz. bottle) ..... 2.50
- Doc Brown's Cream Soda **or** Gosling's Ginger Beer (12 oz. can)..... 2.50
- Fiji Artesian Water (16.9 oz. bottle) ..... 2.25
- Whynatte Latte Coffee Energy Drink (8 oz. can) or Red Bull Energy Drink (8.4 oz. can) ..... 3.50

# ◆◆◆ BUCKET OF SKULLS ◆◆◆

We offer a bucket filled with five bottles of Laughing Skull Amber Ale on ice, every day **FOR THE BARGAIN PRICE OF \$14**

Brewed locally by the Red Brick Brewing Company, this refreshing beer is a full flavored Amber Ale with a crisp, clean finish, medium body, moderate hop aroma, and a light roasted malt flavor. It's not too light and not too heavy. It's one of those beers that can please just about anyone, so you should feel perfectly confident ordering a bucket and cracking open a Skull... **or FIVE!**

**LOOKING FOR MORE HARD DRINKS?**

Ask your Server for a copy of our **Booze Menu**. It's huge!

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# ◆◆◆ KING SIZED SANDWICHES ◆◆◆

If we have not specified a side dish for your sandwich plate then you need to pick one.

**FREE:** A side portion of **FRENCH FRIES, TATER TOTS, LOADED POTATO SALAD, FRIED PLANTAINS,** or a bag of **ZAPP'S VOODOO CHIPS.** **\$2 UP-CHARGE:** A cup of **SOUP** or **CHILI,** a Vortex House **SIDE SALAD,** a side of **ONION RINGS,** or a side of **SWEETATER WAFFLE FRIES** with marshmallow goo.

## **THREE LITTLE PIGS** 10.25

Slow roasted pork, topped with bacon, grilled ham, jack cheese and onion rings, smothered in our Southern barbecue sauce and served on a burger roll. Pigs are like the candy of animals. Every bite a sweet treat. Here piggy, piggy...

## **BUFFALO BOMBER** 11.50

If you love the taste of Buffalo wings, you will love this sandwich. It's made with a breaded, fried chicken breast topped with three slices of bacon, blue cheese dressing, and buffalo relish, all served on a big ol' hoagie roll.

## **SOUTHERN FRIED EGGHEAD** 10.95

A fried chicken breast topped with a fried egg and bacon, all covered with our delicious white sausage gravy, and served on Texas Toast. So damn good you'll wanna slap yo' mama.

## **CUBANO DE LIBERTAD** 8.95

\*A fresh baked roll filled with slow roasted pork, ham, Swiss cheese, sliced pickles, and spicy mustard, grilled flat and drenched in Mojo sauce. Fleeing communist tyrants can really work up an appetite. This sandwich tastes like freedom.

(\*NO Substitutions or changes)

## **FLYING DUTCHMAN** 10.95

Sliced corned beef, ham, bacon, and Swiss cheese, piled on a pretzel roll, and topped with tomato, red onion, and remoulade. So good it's scary.

## **BIG ASS TACO** 10.95

A big 10" flour tortilla stuffed with roasted pulled pork, shredded cheese, jalapeño ranch dressing, fire-roasted salsa, chopped yellow onion, and cilantro. It's served with a side of tortilla chips, salsa, and guacamole. Olé, y'all.

## **YANKEE REUBEN** 10.95

Corned beef, Swiss cheese, caraway sauerkraut, and Thousand Island dressing, all griddled together on our swirl rye bread. The best Reuben in Atlanta. If you're not a purist, we can also substitute sliced turkey for the corned beef.

## **JUMBO CHILI DOG** 9.95

Our wiener is a big, thick 9-inches of pure beef, grilled over an open flame, and topped with our Mighty Meaty Chili, shredded jack and cheddar cheese, and diced red onion. You can also add sauerkraut, relish, or sautéed onions by request. We know you'll savor every inch. (Naked for 8.95)

# ◆◆◆ CUPS FULL O' LOVE ◆◆◆

We make our soups and chilis from scratch every morning because that's how much we love you.

## **MIGHTY MEATY CHILI**

Made with ground sirloin, chipotle & habanero peppers, and a secret combination of seasonings, but no beans 'cause it's MEATY. It's definitely got some heat to it, so please don't order it if you're a big pussy. Cup: 3.95 - Bowl: 4.50

## **WHITE CHICKEN CHILI**

The bastard child of soup and chili, made with chicken, garbanzo beans, peppers, black beans, onion, and cilantro, all cooked in a seasoned chicken stock. Slightly smoky, with a little bit of spice. Damn good stuff. Cup: 3.95 - Bowl: 4.50

## **THE VORTEX SOUP OF THE DAY** Cup: 3.25 - Bowl: 3.95

Ask your Server for today's delicious homemade selection.

# ◆◆◆ SALADS OF THE GODS ◆◆◆

Don't let your friends mock you for ordering a salad at The Vortex. Our salads are super-awesome! Maybe it's because they all have meat in them. But they're salads, so they're good for you... right?

## **FRIED CHICKEN SALAD** 11.50

Chopped green leaf lettuce, topped with a fried chicken breast, crumbled bacon, diced tomato, and shredded cheese, tossed in our bacon chive ranch dressing, and served in a fried flour tortilla shell. We finally figured out how to fry a salad.

## **PULLED PORK SALAD** 9.95

Mixed greens, corn & black bean relish, diced tomatoes, jack and cheddar cheese, all topped with barbecued pulled pork and fried tortilla strips. Served with jalapeño ranch dressing. It's not just good, it's pork-tastic!

## **THE VORTEX HOUSE SALAD** Full: 8.50 - Side: 5.95

A big bowl of mixed greens, diced tomatoes, onion, shredded cheese, and bacon bits. Choose your dressing from the selection listed below.

### **VORTEX SALAD DRESSINGS:**

Ranch, Blue Cheese, Bacon Chive Ranch, Thousand Island, Jalapeño Ranch, Balsamic Vinaigrette, or Oil & Vinegar (Extra Dressings: 75¢)

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AWARD WINNING ♦ WORLD FAMOUS  
♦ 100% CHOICE GROUND SIRLOIN ♦  
**VORTEX BURGERS**



1) Choose your burger. 2) Choose your cooking temperature. 3) Choose your side dish.

★ **BURGER TEMPERATURE COOKING GUIDE**

**RARE** = Cool Red Center ♦ **MEDIUM-RARE** = Warm Red Center ♦ **MEDIUM** = Pink Hot Center  
**MEDIUM-WELL** = Slight Pink Center ♦ **WELL-DONE** = Cooked Through, No Pink (AKA: Burnt, fool)

♦ ♦ ♦ **BASIC BURGERS** ♦ ♦ ♦

**THE PLAIN OL' ORIGINAL VORTEX BURGER** 8.25

A juicy half pound patty of 100% premium ground sirloin, cooked over an open flame, topped with lettuce, tomato, sweet red onion, and dill pickle slices – *and that's all!* It's just plain goooood!

**VORTEX CHEESEBURGER** 9.25

Choose **ONE**: American, Cheddar, Swiss, Provolone, Jack, Pepper Jack, Whiskey Pimento Cheese, a blob of Chipotle Cream Cheese **or** Blue Cheese Spread.

**BACON CHEESEBURGER** 9.95

After you choose your cheese, we'll add delicious strips of bacon to top off the best damn Bacon Cheeseburger you've ever put in your face!

♦ ♦ ♦ **SIGNATURE BURGERS** ♦ ♦ ♦

**YOKOHAMA MAMA** 9.50

Topped with teriyaki glaze, jack cheese, and a ring of grilled pineapple. Kono hanbāgā wa, sekkusu yori mo sugurete imasu, bitches!

**HOLY GUACAMOLE** 10.25

Topped with jack cheese and a big glob of our freshly made guacamole. So simple, so pure – this is surely burger divinity.

**REBEL OUTLAW** 10.25

Covered with pulled pork, cheddar cheese and bacon, all slathered in our spicy outlaw sauce, makes this burger so good, it's criminal.

**SWISS & MUSHROOM** 9.50

Okay, this is an IQ test. Can you guess what's on this burger? Yeah, it's topped with Swiss cheese and tasty sautéed mushrooms. Very good.

**HELL'S FURY** 10.25

Pepper jack cheese, Atomic Death Sauce, habanero relish, and a roasted jalapeño all make this burger hotter than hell. Definitely not for sensitive souls.

**BIG BLUE BUFFALO** 10.50

Drenched in our original Bad Ass Buffalo Wing sauce and topped with a big glob of our thick blue cheese spread. No celery sticks though.

**LONE STAR TEX MELT** 10.25

Topped with cheddar cheese, barbecue sauce, and crispy onion rings, served on griddled Texas toast. Don't mess with Texas.

**RAGIN' CAJUN** 9.50

Topped with our zesty Cajun sauce and pepper jack cheese. Eat this burger, get your girl to show her titties, and you'll feel like you're in N'awlins.

**BLUE 'SHROOM** 10.25

Topped with our delicious, mind-expanding blue cheese spread, sautéed mushrooms, and bacon. It's so tasty you might actually see God.

**BIG BAD VODOO PATTY** 10.95

Topped with our original chipotle cream cheese spread, four slices of bacon, and sweet and spicy green pepper jelly. It'll put a spell on you.

**FAT ELVIS** 10.50

Slathered with a King-sized helpin' of smooth peanut butter, bacon, and fried bananas. Now that's what we call **Takin' Care of Business**.

**BLACK & BLUE** 9.50

Coated with Cajun spices, and topped with blue cheese spread, this burger is so good it'll knock you out. Don't make us tell you twice.

**STEAK HOUSE** 10.25

Topped with sautéed onions and mushrooms, Swiss and cheddar cheese, and our super-secret Vortex steak sauce. Sheer sirloin perfection.

**FOUR HORSEMEN** 10.25

A blackened patty topped with horseradish sauce, grilled onions, sautéed mushrooms, and jack cheese. A divine revelation of zesty flavor.



★ **MANDATORY GOVERNMENT ADVISORY STATEMENT:**

The consumption of raw or undercooked foods such as meat, poultry, fish, shellfish and eggs which contain harmful bacteria, may cause serious illness or death.



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## ◆◆◆ CHOOSE YOUR SIDE DISH ◆◆◆

If we have not specified a side dish for the Vortex Burger plate you are ordering, then you need to pick one from the following list:  
A side portion of **FRENCH FRIES, TATER TOTS, LOADED POTATO SALAD, FRIED PLANTAINS,** or a bag of **ZAPP'S VOODOO POTATO CHIPS.**



If you don't want any of the above sides, you can substitute one of the items below for only \$2

### SIDE DISH SUBSTITUTIONS AVAILABLE FOR A \$2 UP-CHARGE

A cup of **SOUP** or **CHILI**, a Vortex House **SIDE SALAD**, a side portion of **ONION RINGS** or a side portion of **SWEETATER WAFFLE FRIES** with marshmallow goo.

## ◆◆◆ BYPASS BURGERS ◆◆◆

We introduced our Coronary Bypass Burger™ in the 1990s, and we have been imitated ever since. So beware of sleazy counterfeits. The Vortex is the true originator of these heart-stopping mega-burgers.

### **CORONARY BYPASS™** 11.95

Our big half-pound sirloin patty topped with a fried egg, three slices of American cheese, and four slices of bacon. We'll provide plenty of mayo for this burger, which we highly recommend you use. And yes, it comes with a side item too.

### **DOUBLE CORONARY BYPASS™** 16.95

Twice as ridiculous as the Coronary Bypass! Topped with two fried eggs, six slices of American cheese, and eight slices of bacon, served between two grilled cheese sandwiches that we use in place of the regular hamburger buns.

### **TRIPLE CORONARY BYPASS™ (aka THE SUPER-STACK)** 28.95

It becomes difficult to even describe this, the most preposterous of our Bypass Burgers. It's sort of a Coronary Bypass surrounded by a Double Coronary Bypass. Sort of. We guess all you really need to know is that we use three burger patties, three fried eggs, fourteen slices of American cheese, and ten slices of bacon, all packed between two grilled cheese sandwiches. Figuring out how to add condiments is completely up to you. It's served in a big bowl of french fries *and* tater tots covered, in lots of our Cheesy-Cheese Goo. Enjoy!

## ◆◆◆ OMFG BURGERS ◆◆◆

### **MEAT PACKER MELT™** 11.95

A sirloin patty topped with sliced turkey, ham, American, Swiss, and cheddar cheese all griddled together on swirled rye bread. This is the best patty melt you have ever put in your mouth.

### **ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE** 11.95

A sirloin patty served open-face on Texas toast, topped with pulled pork, pepper jack cheese, two eggs over-easy, barbecue sauce, and a steak knife stabbed right through its soulless zombie face.

### **CARNIVORGASM™** 19.95

Two grilled sirloin patties, pulled, smoked pork, bacon, sliced ham, turkey, cheddar cheese, and whiskey pimento cheese, all covered in Vortex barbecue sauce and crammed between two burger buns. So much meat! Oh... Oh, yeah!

### **HANGOVER HELPER™** 19.95

Two sirloin patties served open face on Texas toast, topped with grilled ham, two fried eggs, American cheese, and bacon, all nestled between a serving of tots and fries, and then we cover the whole damn thing with our white sausage gravy.

## ◆◆◆ NON-BEEF OPTIONS ◆◆◆

### **SUPER HIPPIE VEGGIE BURGER** 8.95

We make our veggie burgers from scratch using garbanzo beans, egg, corn, peppers, onions, celery and secret spices. We cook them up and top them with mixed greens, tomato, and spicy garlic mayo. It's like riding a baby unicorn over a beautiful rainbow into a sunny vegetable garden of happiness.

### **DY-NO-MITE TURKEY BURGER** 9.25

This ain't no jive turkey. We chargrill our 8-ounce ground turkey patty over an open flame, then we top it with pepper jack cheese, pickled jalapeños, and Cholulabelle sauce. An explosion of flavor is what makes this sandwich dy-no-mite!

### **CHICKEN BREAST OF LOVE** 9.95

We love all of our customers, and you can taste that love in this 6-ounce breaded, fried chicken breast, topped with lettuce, tomato, onion, and sliced dill pickles. We're all about the love, people. And the breasts. Let's not forget the breasts.

#### NON-BEEF BURGER SUBSTITUTIONS:

While we cannot guarantee the results, you may substitute the beef patty on any Vortex Burger with one of the non-beef options above, for a paltry \$1.00 substitution charge.

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