

Snacks & Bites

Fresh Potato Chips & Onion Dip GF, V 8

home-made potato chips

Mixed Olives GF, V+ 8

citrus and herb scented picholine, castelvetrano

Edamame GF, DF, V+ 10

chili-garlic-ginger yuzu, white wine, unagi sauce

Portobello Fries DF 15

tempura batter, dynamite dipping sauce

Heirloom Tomato, Peach Caprese 17

bufala mozzarella, chilled roasted peach, basil leaf, fig balsamic glaze, bird's nest ciabatta toast

Tuna Poke* DF 20

avocado, scallion, crispy eggroll skin, pickled ginger mayonnaise, bubu arare, sesame seeds

Miso Beef Short Rib Sliders 17

2 sliders, caramelized yellow onions, furikake mayonnaise, fried shishito peppers

Spreads

hummus $^{V+}$, pimento cheese, smoked trout dip, crackers, vegetable crudite 19 all three or 8 each

Charcuterie & Cheese

side choice: house-made rhubarb jam, mostarda, cowgirl honey meats: bresaola | black peppercorn salami | hot coppa

cheeses: ewephoria gouda | mitiblue | colorouge

choose 1 meat & 1 cheese + 1 side \$16

choose 2 meat & 2 cheese + 2 sides \$25

choose 3 meat & 3 cheese + 3 sides \$29

Broths & Soup

Broths | veggie, poultry 8 cup | 20 quart

Smoked Pheasant Chowder

wild rice, heavy cream, smoked bacon, fresh herbs 14

Salads

add: 6oz chicken breast +8 | 4oz sesame tuna* +15 | 6oz organic salmon* +15

Simple Garden GF, V+ 15 large | 9 small

seasonal greens, english cucumber, watermelon radish, cherry tomatoes

choice of: poppy seed, white balsamic, buttermilk chive, sesame vinaigrette, yuzu-mango vinaigrette

Melon & Prosciutto GF, DF 18

honey dew, cantaloupe, watermelon, micro lemon balm and basil, orangevanilla bean gastrique, lemon zest

Red Endive GF, DF, V+ 15

mizuna lettuce, apple pear, candied pecans, yuzu-mango vinaigrette

Handhelds

all sandwiches come with choice of: hand-cut fries, ${m or}$ sweet potato rounds

+2 simple garden salad instead of fries or sweet potato rounds

+2 add-ons:

swiss cheese | pepper jack cheese | ghost pepper jack cheese | vegan cheese | mushrooms | egg | avocado | jalapeno | bacon | +3 for GF bun

Mountain Jim Burger* 20

8oz rocky mountain wagyu beef, swiss cheese, vine-ripe tomatoes, mixed greens, green peppercorn aioli, potato roll

Veggie Burger V+ 17

lentil veggie patty, white balsamic roasted red onions, guacamole, arugula, seeded bun

Pulled Pork 18

braised pork shoulder, raw yellow onions, lingonberry bbq, pepperjack, homemade pickles, batard

Buffalo Burger* 24

8oz frontière natural meats bison, tomato-bacon jam, arugula, potato roll

Bowls

add: 6oz chicken breast +8 | 4oz sesame tuna* +15 | 6oz organic salmon* +15

Vegetable Udon DF, V+ 27

baby bok choy, sugar snap peas, charred shishito peppers, red bell peppers, shallots, lemongrass-corn broth, sweet soy, scallion oil GF fettucine +4

Hallett Peak Bowl GF, DF 25

wild rice blend, red beans, balsam pear, poblanos, yellow onions, slow roasted tomatoes, sheep and goat marinated feta, chick pea

Mushroom Ravioli 29

sautéed mushrooms, shallots, peppers, sugar snap peas, fines herbs, thyme, white wine, butter, crème fraîche

Cast Iron

Frontier Trout* GF 35

hatch chili corn salsa, english pea guacamole with yuzu, radish

Cowboy Steak* GF 65

18-ounce, crème fraîche potato mousseline, roasted red tomatoes, shishito chimichurri

Verlasso Salmon* GF 39

green tomato caponata, kumquat marmalade, english pea-lemon olive oil emulsion

Shoyu Roasted Half Chicken ^{GF} 32

free-range, togarashi spice, sugar snap peas, charred red bell peppers, shallots, and black garlic, wild rice

Carnivore* GF 60

elk striploin, petite filet mignon, game sausage, garlic broccolini with peppers and shallots, black garlic aioli

Miso Roasted Black Cod 37

sweet potato fondant with ginger, spring onion, charred red pepper sriracha

Lamb T-Bone GF 44

two, 6-ounce lamb t-bones, balsam pear, scallion-herb coulis, garlic-ginger-honey reduction

Sides & Shareables

Cornbread 6

Hand-Cut Fries GF, DF, V+ 6

Sweet Potato Rounds GF, DF, V+ 6

Mac & Cheese 9

 $Sugar\ Snap\ Peas\ {}^{GF,\ DF,\ V+}\, {\bf 12}$

Baby Bok Choy, Unagi Sauce GF, DF, V+ 11

Game Sausage GF 15

6oz Salmon Fillet GF, DF 15

40z Elk Striploin GF, DF 16

40z Petite Filet Mignon, Black Garlic Aioli $^{\rm GF,\,DF}$ 26

Single Lamb T-Bone, GGH Reduction GF, DF 21

Potato Mousseline GF 11

Garlic Broccolini GF, DF, V+ 10

Asparagus with Bacon Aioli GF, DF 13

Our goal at **Bird & Jim** is to capture Isabella **Bird's** and Mountain **Jim's** pioneer, unconventional spirit with a rustic yet modern charm. We have taken the original structure of the Sundeck built in 1926 and have transformed it into the restaurant Bird & Jim.

The story of **Bird & Jim**:

From September 25-October 20, 1873, Isabella **Bird**, an English/Scottish traveler, experienced Estes Park staying with the Evan's family helping herd cattle and exploring "this enchanted region." "The Mountain fever seized me," exclaims **Bird** as she first comes into the Estes Valley.

Isabella Bird transgressed boundaries of gender and conventions of her time in her quest to reach Estes Park and summit Longs Peak. Traveling was a happy escape from the constraints of Victorian society for Isabella. In her letters home, Bird prides herself on her being a "cattleman" roused out of bed in the early morning hours by her host being asked to stay on longer and help: "I was awakened by Evan's cheery voice at my door. 'I say, Miss B., we've got to drive wild cattle today; I wish you' lend a hand, there's not a lot of us; I'll give you a good horse; one day wont make much of a difference.... Evan's flatters me saying, 'I am as much use as another man," wrote Isabella.

Isabella's journey of discovery and exploration captures the pioneer spirit that continues to attract people to the same mountains today.

Mountain Jim, a local mountain guide with a reputation as a ruffian, became her figurative hero as he helped her up Longs Peak. She conveys a fondness for Jim throughout her letters. She describes Jim on several occasions, "his face was remarkable. He is a man about forty-five and must have been strikingly handsome. He has large grey-blue eyes, deeply set, with well-marked eyebrows, a handsome aquiline nose, and a very handsome mouth... One eye was entirely gone, and the loss made one side of the face repulsive, while the other might have been modeled in marble. "Desperado" was written in large letters all over him....We entered into conversation and as he spoke I forgot both his reputation and appearance." Mountain Jim lived alone in a cabin trapping, hunting and guiding. He was one of the few first western inhabitants of Estes Park moving to the town in 1868. He lost his eye in a fight with a bear and was known as a friendly, generous frontier legend; "yet quarrelsome when intoxicated." The spirit of nonconformity and adventure embodied in Bird and the pioneer essence of Jim capture some of Estes Park history and the spirit of those living in and traveling to the Estes valley. The founders of Bird & Jim were swayed by the same mountain fever Estes cast upon them.

*A Lady's Life In The Rockies, Isabella Bird, University of Oklahoma Press, 1960