



HOME MENUS & SPECIALS HISTORY THE KID ART GALLERY


HEARTY FARE & CLASSIC FAVORITES

The Silver Spring House serves a take on saloon fare — from our classic signature sandwiches to Milwaukee traditions — but our talented chefs also rotate in specials based on local favorites and seasonality. Take a peek at some of our signature Silver Spring House features below or check out our [full menu](#) here.

\$13

The Havana


Slow roasted pork, sliced smoked ham, swiss cheese, sliced pickles, and yellow mustard on freshly baked bread.



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The Bonny Clapper


Milwaukee's Best Burger! Half pound burger topped with griddled cheese curds, bacon, and our "sm" made bbq sauce topped with an onion ring.



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Grilled Salmon Burger


Lightly seasoned, cooked medium rare with baby spinach, tomato, or 1/4 side of dill mayo.



\$14

Tenderloin Steak Sandwich

5 oz. mouth-watering steak topped with sautéed mushrooms.



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The Asian Salad

Grilled teriyaki glazed chicken breast over romaine lettuce with edamame, red cabbage, mandarin oranges, sesame seeds, and wonton strips served with Asian dressing.

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The Silver Spring House circa 1856

1921

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The Silver Spring House Today

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Website Design & Content Management Sports Bar/Restaurant

Silver Spring House requested a fresh web design to increase brand awareness and improve search rankings. Their new site focused on their establishment's fascinating history while also showcasing their delicious cuisine and relaxing, local atmosphere.

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What People are Saying

★★★★★

"THE FOOD WAS REALLY GOOD"

I had the grilled cheese with mozzarella, tomato, and pesto sauce. It came open ace, not what I expected, but delicious. I plan to return soon to try another menu item."

Doreen

★★★★★

"BEST BELIZE SANDWICH"

"The best Belize sandwich I ever had! Hope it stays on the menu forever! Coming back when I get to MLWKE again!"

Diane

★★★★★

"FRIDAY FISH FRY"

"The food was delicious with very large servings. Staff attentive. We got there early for the fish fry. By the time we left it was starting to fill up. Will definitely go again."

Mathias

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"GREAT PLACE!"

"Good people ... good prices ... a wide variety of good and drinks."

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