

I Have Found a New Favorite in Sam Bond's and Their Food

Sam Bond's Garage

407 Blair Blvd. - 431-6603

www.sambonds.com

Fare: Northwest

Entrees under \$7

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Sam Bond's is not your typical neighborhood bar & venue. You won't find any quick and cheap deep fried foods, chicken strips or fries here. What you will find is some of the best food around including the best garlic bread in Eugene. And the food comes with entertainment - in addition to the great food, Sam Bond's offers local talent on a nightly basis as well.

When you enter the building you are welcomed by the friendly staff, the surprisingly comfortable wood bench seating and the giant red stage in the back. During my visit, I tried two dishes - Kafir Coconut Prawns (\$9.00) and their Broiled Salmon (\$10.00). Both were outstanding. The Coconut prawns were seasoned with a medium-based, sweet coconut milk and seared to perfection. The salmon was broiled to perfection - nice and firm, almost crunchy on the outside and perfectly cooked on the inside. Like the prawns,

the salmon was delicious and even more filling. Both of these entrées were served with the largest salads I have ever seen. I opted for the Honey Mustard dressing and was again quite impressed. The Honey Mustard dressing actually had real mustard seeds in it and it smelled great. The dressing was sweet and creamy and delicious at first, and ended with a spicy kick of horseradish. Needless to say, I ended up dipping everything in the dressing, even the salmon. Next, let me tell you about their amazing garlic bread. Unlike a lot of garlic bread, Sam Bond's isn't made with a thick layer of garlic salt and butter. Theirs is made with real garlic cloves and roasted in the oven until the smell alone makes your stomach grumble with anxiety. Although a little on the spendy side at \$3.50 for six slices, trust me garlic lovers, it is worth every last penny!

Sam Bond's Garage is open 4pm-2ish Monday through Saturday and 4pm-12:30ish Sundays with live and local talent starting at 9pm Monday through Thursday, 9:30pm on Friday and Saturday and at 8:30pm on Sundays. Sam Bond's also features 8 beers on tap, 11 wines and a happy hour that everyone should check out. For more information about the talent coming to Sam Bond's Garage, you can call them at (541) 431-6603 or call their booking line at (541) 343-2635.

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