



Lil' Cooperstown

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1817 Willamette Falls Drive, West Linn
503-655-1995

Bob's Red Mill
5000 SE International Way, Portland
503-607-6455

Bob's got a way with food. Arriving at his old red barn, you go through a little time warp with an old American appeal. The menu displays offerings of old American fair alongside much more modern dietary options.

Even at 7 a.m. you'll find several die-hard connoisseurs occupying the quaint little tables that line the upper level of the barn's rustic structure. The walls and floors are lined with framed memorabilia and outside a fully functional water-powered milling wheel goes round, signifying the good old days for young and old.

Serving breakfast and lunch, the menu options range from many assorted sandwiches to Bob's award-winning steel-cut oats cereal. They offer one of the best vegetarian omelets I've ever had.

Made with three eggs and stuffed full of peppers and mushrooms, it makes for a really special morning treat. The renowned biscuits and potatoes that accompany it make you wonder if Bob might be Colonel Sanders' better half.

According to the cashier, breakfast isn't complete without a serving of hot grits. Bob apparently has some every morning with religious zeal, touting their age-defying effect. Grits may be a more Southern dish but can be delicious and filling all the same, especially when cheddar cheese is added.

Now all this might make you think Bob's Red Mill only pumps out a greasy spoon, but actually there is a strong emphasis on healthful eating with a mind to special dietary concerns. Bob is also famous for his vegetarian and gluten-free options that make for a really well-rounded and healthy experience.

- Nathan Sturgess

Beech Street Diner
519 S. Beech St., Estacada
503-630-5141

wasn't around in the '50s, but if this is what it's like, I wish I had been.

The Beech Street Diner is one of the newest restaurants in Estacada, and I hope it stays around many years to come. It sets itself apart from the other establishments in that it's a '50s-themed establishment, which I believe the town hasn't had since the '50s.

Another thing that sets them apart is the fact that they make everything fresh, from the burgers to the milkshakes. It may take a little longer for your food to come, but the assurance that nothing has been freeze-dried or left out for hours is definitely worth the wait.

The diner is too new to be known for any food items just yet, so I decided to get the burger named for the establishment and a vanilla milkshake. They did everything right; the milkshake was huge (it wouldn't all fit in the glass so they gave me the leftovers in the blending cup) and the burger was well-sized and very tasty.

The prices are pretty affordable; I was able to get a large burger, fries, a milkshake and two cups of coffee for about \$12. They currently serve only breakfast and lunch but are working on creating a dinner menu.

Overall, I recommend checking out the Beech Street Diner. From the themed decor to the laid-back and friendly service, the diner gives off a family-friendly vibe that makes you want to come back again soon for more.

- John Simmons

If sports are your thing and you would like to run into some of Oregon's finest athletes, than there is a location other than the courts to do so.

West Linn's Lil' Cooperstown is where it's at. Nestled in the close-knit community of Old Town Willamette and surrounded by little shops, some of which have been there for decades, there is Lil' Cooperstown, where athletes and sports fans living in the suburbs of West Linn enjoy eating. The atmosphere is very relaxed and covering the walls are photos, jerseys and posters signed by the athletes that had once or regularly eat there.

One of the most famous burgers at Lil' Cooperstown is the Dr. Marty Burger, topped with sauteed mushrooms, melted Swiss cheese and hickory smoked bacon. Although it's a great burger, I myself did not get this delicious meal. I decided to take a risk and try something I've never had before: The Buffalo, N.Y. Burger. This was a gamble for me because it is made with their very own buffalo sauce and includes melted blue cheese; blue cheese melted or not has never been a favorite of mine. I was astounded by the flavors the burger provided and will definitely order it again.

Lil' Cooperstown is also well known for their happy hour deals, both in meals and drinks. They have two happy hours daily, one from 3-6 p.m. and the other from 9 p.m. to closing. There really isn't an excuse to not take advantage of their great deals.

You can also find a Lil' Cooperstown located in Oregon City, Hillsboro and Newberg. All the locations are family run and very friendly to local sports teams, so check them out and be ready for the possibility to run into your favorite local sports player.

- Erik Andersen

Home of the \$2.99 Bento



Oh! Teriyaki

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1630 Beaver Creek Rd # D,
Oregon City, OR 97045
(503) 650-7744



Menu

Teriyaki Plates

1. Chicken \$5.95
2. Beef \$6.95
3. Hot & Spicy Chicken \$6.25
4. Spicy Pork \$6.50
5. Tofu \$5.75

Combination Plates

6. Chicken with Pot Stickers \$7.25
7. Chicken with Egg Rolls \$7.50
8. Chicken and Beef \$7.50
9. Chicken & Spicy Pork \$7.25

Yakisoba Plates

10. Chicken \$6.50
11. Beef \$7.25
12. Veggie \$5.50
13. Spicy Pork \$6.95
14. Tofu \$6.50

Specialty Plates

15. Sweet & Sour Chicken \$7.25
16. Chicken Fried Rice \$6.95
17. Rib Eye Teriyaki \$8.25
18. Chicken Kat-su \$7.25

Side Orders

- 5 Pc Pot Sticker \$2.25
- 2 Pc Egg Roll \$2.25
- Steamed White Rice \$1.50
- Steamed Brown Rice \$2.00
- Steamed Veggies \$2.00

Lunch Special \$5.50*
Chicken Bento (Limited 2/person) \$2.99*
*During promotional period.
Subject to change.

Add Extra Meat to main Plates

- Chicken \$2.00
- Beef \$2.50
- Pork \$2.00