

LUNCH

Tortilla Chips with Salsa	5.50	Tortilla Chips with Salsa and Guacamole	8.50
Tortilla Soup (vegetarian) or Soup of the Day			4.75
Artesian Salad Organic greens, apples, piñon nuts, feta cheese & prickly pear vinaigrette	6.00	entrée	10.00
Spinach Salad baby spinach with black beans, avocado, toasted cumin vinaigrette	8.00	entrée salad	11.00
Cowboy Caesar Salad Crisp romaine, our beef jerky Caesar dressing, Cotija cheese & corn tortilla croutons	8.00	entrée	12.00
Grilled Steak or Salmon Salad Arugula, Roma tomatoes, tobacco onions, and green chile ranch dressing			16.00
Salad Additions			
Grilled chicken	4.50	Mexican shrimp	5.75
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Ojo Club Wrap Oven baked turkey, apple wood smoked bacon, ham, organic greens, cheddar cheese, roma tomatoes, and freshly made chipotle mayonnaise, rolled in a sun dried tomato tortilla			9.50
Black Bean Wrap Served warm with black beans, avocado, roasted red bell pepper, pico de gallo, Asadero cheese, spinach & chipotle honey in a spinach tortilla			8.50
Buffalo Pastrami Club Hot pastrami, melted Swiss cheese, layered with warm cole slaw & mustard			10.00
Grilled Chicken on whole grain ciabatta with arugula, tobacco onions, & green chile marmalade			8.75
Burger Angus beef on corn dusted roll with lettuce, tomato & onion			9.50
Buffalo Burger Grass fed buffalo on corn dusted roll, with lettuce, tomato & onion			11.50
Artesian Grilled Cheese Fresh mozzarella, sun dried tomatoes & pesto on marbled rye bread			9.50
Garden Burger Organic & vegan veggie burger, with lettuce, tomato & avocado, choice of cilantro or chipotle mayonnaise			9.50
<i>All of the sandwiches and wraps come with your choice of salad or sweet potato fries for soup, instead of salad or sweet potato fries, add 1.00</i>			
Sandwich Additions:			
Green chile, asadero or cheddar cheese			1.00
Grilled onions, bacon, sautéed mushrooms, avocado or guacamole			1.50
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Quesadilla with mango, jalapeno, & pico de gallo	7.50	add grilled shrimp	9.50
Mayan Chicken Tacos Two soft flour tortillas with achiote grilled chicken with jicama peanut slaw, guacamole & pico de gallo			9.50
Ojo Fish Tacos Two corn tortillas, blackened mahi mahi, & mango salsa with jicama peanut slaw			10.50
Enchilada Rolled corn tortillas with choice of chicken or spinach, asadero & cheddar cheese, topped with our traditional red or green chile			10.50

Please turn off cell phones. Cell phones permitted only in lodging units & large parking lots.

*Please note that a 20% gratuity will be added to parties of 6 or more.
If you require split checks, please inform your server before ordering. No separate checks for 6 or more. Thank you!*

BEVERAGES

Red Rock Roasters	reg & decaf	2.00	Soft drinks:	
Hot or iced tea	herbal, green & black	2.00	Coke, Diet Coke, Dr. Pepper, Sprite &	
Fresh brewed iced tea		2.00	500 m. San Pellegrino Sparkling Water	2.00
Hot chocolate		2.00	Fruit Spritzers:	
Fresh squeezed O J	sm 1.95	lg 2.75	Orange, Apple, Cranberry or any combo	2.00
Grapefruit juice	sm 1.95	lg 2.75	Wine & Beer available daily, Sundays after 12 PM	
Cranberry & Apple juice	sm 1.50	lg 2.25		
Prickly Pear Lemonade		2.75		
Milk (2% or Soy)		2.00		

The History of Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs Resort & Spa

Celebrating 140 years as one of the oldest natural health resorts in the U.S.

SPA is the acronym for the Latin, “Salus Per Aquas,” which means “health through water.” The very essence of the words is the reason we are here.

Steeped in myth and legend, these ancient springs have been a gathering place and source of healing for hundreds, even thousands of years. The use of the waters can be traced back to the earliest human settlements in the region. Ancient people, believed to be the ancestors of today’s Native American Tewa tribes, built large pueblos and terraced gardens overlooking the springs. Posi or Poseouinge, “village at the place of the green bubbling hot springs” was home to thousands of people.

Because of the work of archaeologists Adolph Bandelier and Edgar Hewitt, we know that Posi was a vibrant center of activity in the 15th century. Surrounding the springs today is substantial evidence, including clay shards and arrows, of prehistoric civilization in the ruins of the cities populated before the birth of history.

In the 1500’s the Spaniards, in their quest for gold and the Fountain of Youth, also discovered the Springs. One explorer’s record cites, “The greatest treasure that I found these strange people to possess, are hot springs which burst out at the foot of a mountain... so powerful are the chemicals contained in this water that the inhabitants have a belief that they were given to them by their gods. These springs I have named Ojo Caliente” (literally translated means “warm eye”, but more commonly known as “hot spring”).

Enter explorer Zebulon Pike (Pike’s Peak discoverer), who while under arrest in 1807 for exploring New Spain without permission, was marched to Santa Fe, passing through Ojo Caliente. He observed the hot springs as “the greatest natural curiosity”.

Antonio Joseph, a man prominently connected with the history of New Mexico, and recognized as one of the most influential citizens of the Territory, next noticed these unusual waters. Born in Taos in 1846, his parents moved there from Missouri and opened the first general mercantile establishment in that area. Enduring hardships, the family remained, but sent Mr. Joseph to be educated by Bishop Lamy in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Afterward he was a student in Webster College of St. Louis County, Missouri, for four years, and completed the commercial course at Bryant and Stratton’s Business College of St. Louis.

In 1868, Mr. Joseph, now responsible for managing the family business, was also named the first Territorial Representative. It is at this time as well, that Mr. Joseph moved to Ojo Caliente, New Mexico, where he opened Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs as the first natural health spa in the country. Joseph’s Ojo became a hub of activity by providing overnight lodging, a Post Office, and a general store where historical ledgers show Kit Carson frequently purchased supplies.

At Ojo, Mr. Joseph built a sanitarium, which soon became known throughout the country as a place where thousands of invalids were annually cured. Many structures have been built since throughout the decades. The oldest building on record is the Co-ed Bathhouse built in the 1860s; later followed by the Historic Hotel, built in 1916, and the Adobe Round Barn in 1924. All three buildings have been lovingly restored and are listed on the National Registry of Historic Places.

His fellow citizens, appreciating his worth and ability, frequently called Mr. Joseph to public office. He served as County Judge of Taos County for six years, served as Senator in the Territorial Legislature for a similar period, and was elected by the General Assembly to the 49th Congress, where he remained for ten years. A broad-minded and honorable man, whose public and private life were above reproach, Mr. Joseph is remembered as a heroic native son of the Territory he served that has now become the state of New Mexico.

The famous and the infamous have taken these waters. Volumes of testimonials filled with declarations of miracle cures abound. Whether unproven folklore or not, generations of the faithful continually make the pilgrimage back to these special waters. This remarkable combination of four different types of mineral waters: lithium, iron, soda and arsenic, over 100,000 gallons a day, still come steaming to the surface, revitalizing those who soak in these legendary waters.