GUERIDON SERVICE







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INTRODUCTION

- > Is a movable table or a trolley
- It is used to facilitate service in the restaurant
- Food may be- Displayed, carved, filleted, flambéed on it



GUERIDON EQUIPMENT

- Dinner/dessert plates
- > Rum/cognac bottle
- > Salad oil
- ➤ Maggi sauce
- Worcestershire sauce
- > Butter
- ➤ Pepper mill
- > Seasoning



GUERIDON EQUIPMENT

- ➤ Carving knife & fork
- > Sauce laddles
- > Steak knives
- Service gears
- Dessert spoons/forks
- Waiter's cloth
- ➤ LPG/spirit lamp
- Sauce pot/Pan



Types of Gueridon trolleys

- ➤ Wine trolley
- Flambé trolley
- Cocktail trolley
- ➤ Horsdoeuvre trolley
- ➤ Pastry trolley
- > Cheese trolley
- Carving trolley



Gueridon Trolley





Wine Trolley





Flambé Trolley





Horsd'oeuvre Trolley





Pastry / Desserts Trolley





Carving Trolley





Cheese Trolley





Gueridon Service

- ➤ This is a service where a dish comes partially prepared from the kitchen
- Is completed in the restaurant by the captain
- > The cooking is done on a gueridon trolley
- It is a mobile trolley with a gas cylinder and burners



Gueridon Service

- The waiter has to have considerable dexterity and skill
- It's is a cooking procedure
- Alcohol (ethanol) such as rum or cognac is added to a hot pan to create a burst of flames



Flambéing

- ➤ The practice of igniting food for show can be traced to the Moors in the 14th century
- Modern flambéing was discovered in Monte Carlo in 1895
- Henri Carpentier, a waiter, accidentally set fire to a pan of crêpes



Flambéing

- He was preparing it for the future Edward VII of the United Kingdom
- Igniting a sauce or dish with alcohol actually alters the chemistry within the food



Showmanship





Beef steak

- > Take the pan ,put salad oil in it
- Marinate the steak in Worcestershire sauce & maggi sauce
- Cook the steak as per order- rare, medium or well done



Beef steak

- Flambé with cognac, serve with buttered vegetables, jacket potatoes
- Pepper or mushroom sauce or garlic butter may be given if required



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- Melt a few Tablespoons butter over medium heat
- ➤ Add 2-3 Tablespoons brown sugar and stir



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- > Flip bananas, cook more for 30 seconds
- > Add rum to taste, and swirl in pan a bit
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PRECAUTION

- While flambé is a fun and beautiful way to add subtle flavor to a dish, it must be done very carefully and in controlled locations
- ➤ If you decide to attempt a flambé at home, be sure to remove your pan from the burner before adding any alcohol otherwise, the alcohol might splash into the flames below and create a fire on your stove top



Some Famous Flambé Dishes

- Bananas Foster
- Chicken steak
- Steak au poivre
- > Prawns hollandaise
- Baked Alaska
- Crepes suzettes



Dishes served from the trolley

- Smoked eel / trout / salmon
- Melon frappe
- Consommé with Sherry
- Grilled / Poached / Deep fried Sole







Dishes served from the trolley

- Flambéed Scampi with a cream sauce
- Double Fillet steak (Chateaubriand)
- Steak tartar (Raw fillet steak)
- Steak Diane (brandy flambé)







Banana flamb'e





Crepe suzette

- > Sauté the crepes in margarine
- > Cook the crepes in orange juice, reduce it
- Use lemon wedge on a fork to stir the sauce
- Add Cointreau or orange Curacao to add to the flavors
- Flame it with brandy ,serve on a dessert plate
- Cutlery is dessert spoon and dessert fork



Carving at the table

- ➤ It is a very noble art carried in Gueridon Service
- Presentation and tenderness are determined by how well the meat is cut
- ➤ The knifes used are long and thin bladed, the fork has 2 prong



Carving at the table

- ➤ A good carving board should have either a "well" to catch juices
- ➤ Can be built on a slight slant with a lip so the juices will collect at the back table
- ➤ Warm plates to be used for serving meat



Points to remember for carving

- Knife must be very sharp
- ➤ Items to be carved will be trimmed in the kitchen
- All awkward bones removed
- ➤ The dish should be covered and kept hot but not re-cooked with the heat



Points to remember for carving

- Meat should be carved with the grain
- Carving must appear effortless with long rhythmic & easy strokes
- ➤ The thickness of the slices will depend on the dish



Flambé sweet dishes

- ➤ Peach/ Banana/Pear Flambé (Peaches sautéed in reduced peach syrup, castor sugar and flambéed with brandy
- > Cherries flambé with kirsch
- Crepes Suzette: Orange Curacao flavored thin pancakes flambéed with brandy







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