

## **DINNER MENU**



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## **ANTI PASTI**

#### **House Made Meatballs** – 10

Blend of pork, veal, & beef, Romano cheese, garlic, & spices

#### **Garlic Bread** – 6

#### Garlic Bread with Cheese -8

Three large pieces with provolone cheese

#### **Eggplant Rollatini** – 13

Eggplant stuffed with spinach, whipped ricotta & topped with pomodoro sauce, mozzarella cheese, and shaved parmesan

#### Arancini – 14

Sicilian rice balls stuff with ground beef, cheese, and peas with a side of Pomodoro sauce

#### **Roasted Vegetables** – 12

House Roasted Red Peppers, mushrooms, asparagus in olive oil, grated cheese and garlic

#### Mozzarella Caprese Salad - 12

Fresh mozzarella, sliced tomatoes, extra virgin olive oil, & basil

## INSALATA

Calamari Fritti – 16 Lightly seasoned fried squid

Grilled Calamari – 16 Squid marinated in olive oil and basil pesto over baby arugula

#### Steamed Mussels – 16

Mussels steamed in white wine, butter, and garlic

#### Shrimp Giannini – 16

Shrimp Sautéed with Pancetta in a light sherry cream sauce over a risotto cake

#### Sausage & Peppers - 13

Italian fennel sausage with roasted red bell peppers in marsala wine sauce

#### Steamed Clams – 16

Middle Neck Clams steamed in white wine, butter, and garlic

#### Mozarella Arrosti – 12

Fresh Mozzarella, house roasted red peppers, basil, and extra virgin olive oil

#### Antonio Bookie – Whole 16 Half 11

Romaine, iceberg, tomatoes, kalamata olives, pepperoncini, red onion topped with shrimp, salami, provolone with house dressing

#### **Rughetta Salad** – 12

Baby arugula, grape tomatoes, shaved parmesan with an Olive Oil Lemon Vinaigrette Dressing

#### Caesar Salad – 12

Romaine lettuce, shaved parmesan, croutons with Caesar Dressing

#### Add-Ons

#### Add Grilled Chicken – 8

Add Grilled Salmon – 9

#### Grilled Hearts of Romaine Caesar – 12

Grilled Romaine topped with shaved parmesan, roasted red peppers, and Caesar Dressing

#### House Salad – Whole 10 Half 6

Romaine and iceberg lettuce, tomatoes, olives, pepperoncini, red onion with house dressing.

#### **Spinach Salad** – 12

Fresh Spinach with pecans, strawberries, and feta cheese with Raspberry Vinaigrette dressing

**Add Grilled Shrimp** – 9

#### Add Jumbo Lump Crabmeat - 15



**Pomodoro Sauce** – Whole 16 Half 10 Franco's own slow-simmered traditional tomato-based sauce

Alfredo Sauce – Whole 18 Half 11 Butter, cream, grated Romano cheese

**Vodka Sauce** – Whole 17 Half 10 Tomato cream sauce with vodka, grated Romano, and basil **Bolognese** – Whole 20 Half 12 Tomato ragu of beef, pork & veal with a touch of heavy cream

**Pesto** – Whole 17 Half 10 Basil pesto, butter, cream, grated Romano cheese

Butter noodles – Whole 12 Half 7

### **ADD-ONS:**

Add Grilled Shrimp – 9

Add Grilled Salmon – 9

Add Grilled Chicken – 8

**2 Meatballs or Sausage** – 10

**1 Meatball or Sausage** – 6

Add Jumbo Lump Crab – 15

### ZUPPE

**Pasta e Fagioli** – Bowl 7 Cup 5 Orecchiette pasta, Cannolini beans, Pancetta, & veggies in a flavorful broth

Italian Chili – Bowl 8 (up 6 Chunks of Italian Sausage and beef with Cannoli Beans ~ Cup of Chili with Grilled Cheese 12 ~ Maryland Crab Soup – Bowl 10 Cup 8

A traditional tomato-based soup with vegetables and Jumbo Lump crab meat

#### Shrimp & Salmon Chowder – Bowl 9 Cup 1

Shrimp, Salmon, potatoes, celery, and carrots in a savory broth

## **CHICKEN**

#### **Chicken Piccata** – 22

Boneless chicken breast sautéed in white wine, lemon, & capers ~ Served with Roasted Asparagus ~

#### Chicken Arancini – 21

Boneless chicken breast stuffed with spinach, proscuitto, & mozzarella, topped wtih a mushroom orange cream sauce ~ Served with Roasted Asparagus ~

#### Chicken Cacciatore - 23

Boneless chicken breast slowly braised in tomato sauce & red wine with bell peppers and mushrooms ~ Served over Pappardelle ~

#### **Chicken Franco** – 22

Breaded boneless chicken breast fried golden brown, topped with tomatoes, whipped ricotta, prosciutto, & mozzarella in a tomato mushroom marsala sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Chicken Parmesan – 23

Boneless Chicken breast, lightly breaded, topped with mozzarella & pomodoro sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### **Chicken Marsala** – 22

Chicken breast sautéed with mushrooms in a marsala wine sauce ~ With a side of roasted vegetables ~

#### **Chicken Saltimbocca** – 22

Sautéed chicken topped with prosciutto, melted mozzarella cheese, in a sage marsala sauce ~ Served over Fresh Sautéed Spinach ~

#### VEAL

#### Veal Saltimbocca – 24

Sautéed veal scaloppini topped with proscuitto & melted mozzarella in a sage marsala sauce ~ Served over Fresh Sautéed Spinach ~

#### **Veal Parmesan** – 24

Lightly breaded Veal Cutlets, topped with mozzarella and Pomodoro sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Veal Bryne – 24

Breaded Veal lightly fried with a sauce of proscuitto, mushrooms, marsala, & lemon ~ Served over linguini ~

#### **Veal Marsala** – 24

Veal scaloppini sautéed in a mushroom marsala sauce ~ Served with Roasted Asparagus ~

#### Veal Cacciatore – 25

Tender veal cubes slowly braised in tomato sauce & red wine with bell peppers and mushrooms ~ Served over Pappardelle ~

#### **Veal Piccata** – 24

Thinly sliced Veal Cutlets sautéed in a lemon butter sauce with capers, White Wine, and a splash of heavy cream ~ Served with Roasted Asparagus and Roasted Red Peppers ~

#### **Gnocchi & Veal Sauce** – 26

Tender Veal cubes slowly braised in Pomodoro and Red Wine Sauce and red wine.

## **SEAFOOD**

**HOUSE SPECIALTIES** 

#### Shrimp Fra Diavolo – 24

Shrimp sautéed with chili flakes, white wine, & Pomodoro Sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Shrimp Scampi – 24

Shrimp sautéed in butter, garlic, white wine, lemon, & herbs ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Linguini & Crab Sauce - 28

Blue crab infused marinara sauce topped with jumbo lump crab meat

## **Calamari Granchio** – 24

Calamari simmered in extra virgin olive oil & white wine, finished in a blue crab infused marinara sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Linguini in Clam Sauce – 24

Middle Neck Clams, chopped clams, garlic, parsley, olive oil, butter, and white wine

#### Frutti di Mare – 28

Shrimp, calamari, clams, & mussels in a blue crab infused marinara sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Shrimp & Crab Crema di Pomodoro – 28

Shrimp and Jumbo Lump crab meat sautéed in a creamy blue crab infused marinara sauce ~ Served over Linguini ~

#### Chicken Giuseppe with Crab - 28

Lightly Breaded Chicken Breast with Spinach and Jumbo Lump Crab Meat, Prosciutto, & Provolone Cheese topped with Marsala Sauce ~ Served Over Linguini ~

#### Crab Imperial Stuffed Shrimp – 28

Jumbo Shrimp Stuffed with a Creamy and Flavorful Maryland Style Jumbo Lump Crab Imperial ~ Served with Asparagus and Garlic Bread ~

#### Orecchiette Fennel Sausage – 20

Sliced Italian Sausage, broccoli rabe, extra virgin olive oil, and shaved Parmesan

#### Seafood Risotto - 26

#### Meat Lasagna – 22

Pasta layered with meat and ricotta cheese, topped with Franco's house made Pomodoro Sauce ~ Served with a slice of Garlic Bread ~

### **HOUSE MADE PASTA**

#### Momma's Ravioli – 20

Pasta pillows stuffed with ricotta, romano cheese, sausage, & spinach served with Pomodoro sauce

#### **Cheese Ravioli** – 18

Pasta pillows stuffed with Ricotta & Romano cheese in a Pomodoro sauce

#### **G** Spinach Gnocchi – 18

Italian Ricotta Dumplings made with Fresh Spinach and Gluten Free Flour in a Tomato Cream Sauce

#### Meatball Ravioli – 20

Pasta pillows stuffed with a blend of beef, pork, veal, Romano cheese over our House made Pomodoro sauce

#### **Gnocchi** – 16

Italian Ricotta dumplings in a tomato cream sauce

#### Wild Mushroom Ravioli – 18

Pasta pillows stuffed with wild mushrooms & Ricotta cheese in a Marsala Wine, sage, and mushroom sauce

## VEGETARIAN

#### Eggplant Parmesan – 18

Lightly breaded eggplant slices topped with mozzarella cheese and Pomodoro sauce ~ Served with Linguini ~

#### Linguini Puttanesca – 18

Linguini tossed with Franco's house made Pomodoro Sauce, capers, black olives, and a dash of chili flakes ~ \* Anchovies available upon request ~

#### Risotto Primavera – 18

Arborio rice with basil pesto, asparagus, mushrooms, roasted bell peppers, vegetable broth, & light cream, finished with extra virgin olive oil

### **FEATURED SUBS**

#### Traditional Meatball Sub - 12

House made meatballs served on a Marantos sub roll with Pomodoro Sauce ~ Add cheese \$.50 ~

#### Italian Cold Cut Sub – 12

Genoa Salami, capiocola, Italian Ham, mortadella, & Provolone, lettuce tomato hots onions and house dressing ~ hots lettuce tomatoes ~

#### Old Fashioned Meatball Sub - 14

House made meatballs served on half a loaf of Italian bread. ~ Add cheese \$.50 ~

#### Chicken Parmesan Sub – 12

Lightly Breaded Chicken breast topped with mozzarella cheese and Pomodoro sauce ~ Served with Chips ~

#### Sausage & Peppers Sub - 12

Italian sausage, green peppers, roasted red peppers, & onions

## **CONTORI**

**Risotto** – 12

House Roasted Red Peppers - 8

**Sautéed Mushrooms** – 8

**Grilled Asparagus** – 8 Grated Romano, garlic, & Extra Virgin Olive Oil Rapini 'Broccoli di Rabe' – 8 In garlic and olive oil

Spinach, Oil, & Garlic – 8

**Spinach Romano** – 10 Spinach, Heavy Cream & Grated Romano cheese

## **BRICK OVEN PIZZA**

#### Shrimp Scampi Pizza – 19

Garlic lemon cream, mozzarella, shrimp, shaved pecorino Romano, with a hint of Old Bay seasoning

#### Classic Cheese Pizza - 15

Tomato base, mozzarella, shaved Pecorino Romano

#### Classic Pepperoni Pizza – 16

Tomato base, pepperoni, shaved Pecorino Romano, and mozzarella

#### Sausage Pizza – 16

Tomato sauce, Italian sausage, shaved Pecorino Romano, & Mozzarella cheese

#### Pizza Margherita - 16

Tomato sauce, fresh mozzarella, cherry tomatoes, basil, and shaved Pecorino Romano

#### Funghi Pizza – 16

Tomato sauce, mushrooms, fresh mozzarella, basil, arugula, & shaved pecorino romano

#### Prosciutto e Arugula – 17

Extra virgin olive oil base with fresh mozzarella, prosciutto di parma, arugula, and shaved Pecorino Romano

#### Salsiccia (sausage) e Funghi Pizza – 17

Mozzarella, mushrooms, Italian Sausage, tomato sauce

#### Meat Lovers Pizza - 19

Italian sausage, prosciutto di parma, soppressata, and pancetta

#### Granchio Crab Pizza – 19

Tomato sauce, mozzarella, Jumbo Lump Crab, shaved pecorino Romano with a hint of Old Bay

#### Shrimp Fra Diavolo Pizza – 19

Tomato sauce, red chili flakes, shrimp, fresh mozzarella, and basil

#### Sausage & Pepper Pizza – 18

Tomato marsala sauce, Italian Sausage, green peppers, house roasted red peppers, and mozzarella

#### Quattro Formaggi Pizza – 17

Extra virgin olive oil base, fresh mozzarella, whipped ricotta, feta, and shaved Pecorino Romano

#### Locavore Pizza – 17

Extra Virgin Olive Oil, roasted asparagus, roasted red peppers, broccoli rabe, garlic, fresh mozzarella, and Pecorino Romano

#### Pesto Pizza – 16

House made Pesto, cherry tomatoes, whipped ricotta, and fresh mozzarella

#### Pizza Verde – 17

House made Pesto, roasted red peppers, roasted asparagus, fresh mozzarella, and shaved Pecorino Romano

#### Meatball Pizza - 18

House made meatballs, tomato sauce, whipped ricotta, mozzarella, and basil



**WEEKLY SPECIALS** 

## **SUNDAY BRUNCH**

Join us every Sunday from 10-2 for our Brunch Specialties and Breakfast Pizzas

## **MEATBALLS & MANHATTANS MONDAYS**

**Traditional Meatball Sub with Fries** – 10

~ Served with a Non-Alcoholic drink of your choice ~

Maker's Mark Manhattan & Meatball Sub - 15

Monday Pizza Special - Verde - 12

Tuesday Pizza Special - Sausage - 12

Wings & Bucket of Domestic Beer – 20

8 Wings - Your choice of Buffalo, BBQ, Old Bay, or Garlic Parmesan Four ice cold domestic beer served in a bucket at your table Plus your Choice of Miller Lite, Bud Light, Natural Light, Budweiser, Michelob Ultra, or Coor's Light

C'Ville Italian Dog With Fries and Non-Alcoholic Drink – 10

Grilled Italian sausage wrapped in grilled mortadella 'Italian Bologna', grilled onions, with mustard

**Wings** – 12

8 Wings - Your choice of Buffalo, BBQ, Old Bay, or Garlic Parmesan

## WINE FLIGHT WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Pizza Special - Pepperoni - 12

**Wine Flight** – 10 A sampling of your choice of any 4 of our wines

## THURSDAY

Thursday Pizza Special - Cheese - 12

## **FRANCO'S FRIDAYS**

**Late Night Happy Hour** – 5 All fresh fruit crushes with Tito's Vodka

Friday Pizza of the Day - Margharita - 12

Thank you for choosing Franco's Italian Bistro.

We appreciate your business and look forward to seeing you again soon.