



Blatt Beer and Table Brings German Pub Fare to Preston Hollow Village

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Sauerkraut and Nebraska aren't often mentioned in the same conversation, unless that conversation happens to be over a brown ale while gazing upon the menu at Preston Hollow Village's newest hangout, Blatt Beer and Table. Hailing from Omaha, Blatt opened its first location outside of the corn fed state in late spring and has serviced the surrounding neighborhood in a growing mixed development that will soon witness the rise of apartment homes.



The interior of this self-proclaimed "sports bar but not really a sports bar" is staying within the current trend of exposed industrial ceilings, mason jar lighting and various hues of wood paneling, the kind of spot where you'd expect to find an artisanal hipster welder rather than Jimmy Buffet fans in Hawaiian shirts and brown loafers. The name itself is a salute to the original home of the college World Series, Rosenblatt Stadium, and although their Texas menu is regionally modified, they draw food inspiration from a German heritage of the mid-1800s immigrants and have a well-rounded craft beer selection that's heavy on local brews.



What goes better with a non-sports "sports" bar than a basket of freshly made pretzel bread? Warm and soft, the Bavarian pretzel bites come glossy from a shiny coat of butter and kosher salt along with a horseradish-heavy German mustard and Gruyere fondue for dunking. Sure, you can order the queso or chicken strips, but go right to the rib-sticking fried pickles and onion petals. With a mix of beer and corn batter and bread, they're not overly greasy, and the unorthodox herb and kale cheese spread and bacon dressing compete for each fried veggie.

The Blattwurst sandwich gives you the choice of a beer-braised brat, jalapeño polish or smoked kielbasa alongside a pretzel bun, caraway kraut and German mustard, which makes this humdinger Oktoberfest-worthy. Under the classics, you'll find more traditional sausage on a stick plate that comes with German potato salad and braised kraut. Loosen your lederhosen for the spätzle, served as a bowl of small dumplings smothered in Gruyere béchamel, and wash it down with a Dunkel.

Aside from Blatt's European flair, you'll find Southern dishes like the Down South Pork, a fluffy jalapeño corn bread waffle topped with pulled pork. With a range of burgers and vegan options, Blatt Beer and Table is a fun spot that's well worth a visit.

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