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Blue Sushi Sake Grill

Vibrant decór paired with zest-on-the-plate in Naperville

Step inside the vibrant interior of Naperville's newest sushi joint and you'll know you're in for an exciting dining experience.

The bright, contemporary decór of Blue Sushi Sake Grill at 123 Water St. (630 305-3099) is perfectly in tune with the fresh, modern menu, which features bold yet approachable flavors. A diverse selection of maki, sashimi and nigiri is

complemented by Asian-inspired atataki (warm) and tsumetai (cool) dishes, such as the Snapper Chimichurri or the Rock River Beef Tenderloin — succulent beef with jalapeño ponzu (a tart, citrus-based sauce) and yuzo kosho (chili seasoning paste), served on sizzling hot rocks.

Vegan and gluten-free options are served up in creative ways that do justice to the freshest of ingredients.

Pairing enjoyment with adventure, Blue offers Happy Hour every day, encouraging guests to try new tastes and share their favorites. An extensive drinks menu includes premium cold sake, cocktails, wine, beer and hot tea.

With seating for 140 indoors and 60 on the patio, Blue is open Mon – Thurs 11 a.m. – 10 p.m., Fri – Sat 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.; and Sun noon – 9 p.m.

– Anne Knudsen