THE TAO OF TEA

Portland's Oldest Teahouse
Established 1997

SMALL PLATES

Edamame Fresh soybeans in the shell. Served with special teahouse soy sauce. V (Gf by request) \$5

Ota Tofu Portland's oldest Tofu maker - Since 1911.

Age - Lightly fried tofu dusted with cayenne and topped with a fresh squeeze of lemon. V, Gf \$6

Fresh - Freshly made tofu with a medium-soft texture. Topped with Schezuan black bean and chili sauce and sesame seeds. V \$6

Hummus and Pita Bread Garnished with olives, cucumbers, and carrots. V \$8

Indian Paneer Fresh Indian cheese served with lime, ginger, and Himalayan black salt. Gf \$6

Samosa Seasoned potatoes and green peas in lightly fried pastry, served with tamarind chutney. V One: \$3.50 Two: \$7

Chinese Bao (Baozi) Two vegetarian steamed buns served with soy ginger sauce and asazuke. Filling will be either greens or mushrooms (ask server). V \$8

European Dolmas Grape leaves stuffed with seasoned rice, served with a light mint raita. Gf (V possible) \$5

Panjabi Spinach Pakoras Classic Indian spinach and onion fritters served with tamarind chutney and cilantro. V \$6

Chandini Chowk Bhel Puri Puffed rice, sev, onions, tomato, and cilantro tossed with tangy chutney and lime. V \$8

Tamil Style Dahi Vada Savory South Indian black lentil donuts topped with raita, cilantro and tamarind. Gf (V by request) \$7

Tamales 2 tamales made of masa and steamed in a corn husk. *Gf* \$8 Choice of *Cheese and Jalapeño* or *Corn and Black Bean*.

LIGHT MEALS

Homestyle Dal & Rice A popular teahouse dish. Seasoned legumes served over basmati rice, garnished with tomato, onion, lime & cilantro. We make a different type of dal every day. Ask about today's selection. V, Gf \$11

Spanakopita Flaky filo dough stuffed with spinach, onions, cheese and herbs. Served with a green salad and olives. \$8

Chana Chaval White chickpeas cooked in a mild North Indian curry sauce. Served with basmati rice. Garnished with onions, tomatoes, lime, and cilantro. V, Gf \$11

Chole Bhature One of the most popular Punjabi dishes, well known across all of India. Chole refers to a spiced, tangy chickpea curry and Bhatura is a soft, fried whole wheat leavened bread. We serve three pieces of Bhatura in the order. \$11

Chai Break One crispy samosa served in a bowl of mildly spiced chana (chickpeas). Topped with Tamarind chutney. V \$10

Mixed Vegetable Dumplings Six Chinese style dumplings served with soy sauce. V \$11

SALAD

Mixed greens Spring greens mesclun with seasonal vegetables and garnished with fruit. Choice of yuzu matcha vinaigrette or miso-ginger dressing. V, Gf \$10

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FLATBREADS

Malaysian Mooli Pleasantly spicy, flaky flatbread filled with daikon radish. V \$4

Indian ParathasHearty whole wheat Indian flatbreads. Great with tea or to round out a meal.VAloo Paratha - Filled with seasoned potatoes, onions and cilantro.\$4Classic Plain Paratha - Simple homestyle whole wheat paratha.\$4

Mediterranean Seasoned Pita Warm pita topped with your choice of seasoning, served with Mama Lil's peppers V \$4 Lebanese Style - Topped with Za'atar, a Middle Eastern herb blend, which includes oregano, basil, thyme and sesame seeds.

Syrian Style - Topped with sumac powder, a crushed Middle Eastern fruit with a lemon zest flavor.

SIDES

Cup of Dal or Chana <i>Gf</i> \$4	Cup of Basmati Rice V, Gf \$3	Pita Bread V \$2
Raita Light mint yogurt sauce \$1	Tamarind Chutney V, Gf \$1	Mango Chutney V, Gf \$1
Kimchi \$2	Mint Chutney Gf \$1	Mango Pickle V, Gf \$1
Asazuke Fusion Pickled vegetables V, Gf \$3		

SWEETS

Moon Cake Flaky crust with sweet *mung bean, red bean, taro root, or lotus seed* filling. Often eaten at the Mid-Autumn Moon festival. \$7.5

Almond Cookies 4 Classic Chinese almond cookies. \$5

Soan Papdi A uniquely textured Indian sweetcake. \$7

Chocolate Dipped Macaroon Chewy coconut cookie, dipped in rich chocolate. Gf \$6

Baklava Classic Mediterranean layered filo pastry with honey and walnuts. \$6

Lemon Bar Lemon custard on a shortbread crust. Sweet and tart, perfect for pairing with tea. \$6

Smoked Vanilla Ice Cream Vanilla ice cream with smoky-sweet Lapsang Souchong simple syrup. Gf \$6

Tea Rusk Indian version of Italian biscotti. \$4

Coconut Cookies Creamy cookies with warm coconut flavor. \$4

Pistachio Cookies Buttery cookies. \$4

Parle G Tea Biscuits Classic tea cookies from India. \$3

Vegan Brownie Chocolate brownie. V \$6

Flourless Decadence Torte Flourless chocolate cake coated with ganache, fudge icing and sprinkles. Gf \$7

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