

# Cucina Vivace

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## Contemporary Italian Cuisine

Open Tue - Sun

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Closed Monday

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**OpenTable Diners Choice  
Award winner 2009, 2010  
and 2011 for:**

**Best Restaurants (Northern VA)**

**Italian Food (all DC metro)**

**Neighborhood Gem**

**Notable Wine List**

**Fit For Foodies**

**Romantic**

**Celebrated Chefs DC  
Featured Restaurant/Chef**

Our small kitchen team takes pride in crafting each dish individually and to order. Thank you for your patience while we recreate Italy! We also use the finest seasonal ingredients so our menu changes frequently. Please check back often.

## Appetizers

**Caponata** 6.95

A savory, baked mix of eggplant, red bell peppers, garlic, capers and herbs.

**Casseruola Di Granchi** 8.95

Crab baked with mascarpone cheese and herbs; served as a spread.

**Fritelli Di Granchi** 7.95

Crab fritters, crispy outside while tender and creamy inside; served with Fra Diavolo sauce and lemon aioli.

**Calamari Fritti** 8.95

Hand-cut calamari lightly dredged in flour and seasoning then fried; served with Fra Diavolo sauce and lemon aioli.

**Salsiccie Con Fichi** 6.95

Savory sausage with sweet fig gravy.

**Pesto Con Pignoli** 8.95

Chunky pine nut, basil and parmesan pesto served with crostini.

**Formaggi Misti** 9.95

A mixed cheese plate featuring parmesan with balsamic reduction, gorgonzola with honey, mascarpone and herb with crushed mixed berries. Also available for dessert.

## Soups

Served with house-made garlic croutons.

Available as entrée portion, +3.95

**Zuppa Di Pomodori** 6.95

Lightly spiced tomato and roasted red pepper soup; served hot or cold.

**Zuppa Di Granchi** 7.95

Spiced, slightly smoky tomato and cream crab soup.

## Salads

Available as entrée portion, +3.95  
Add grilled chicken scaloppine +4.95  
Add a grilled Italian sausage +3.95

**Insalata Cesare** 6.95  
House-made Caesar and garlic croutons.

**Insalata Pomodori Con Gorgonzola** 8.95  
Seasonal tomatoes with gorgonzola chunks and balsamic vinaigrette.

**Insalata Di Spinaci** 7.95  
Baby spinach salad dressed in a lemon-honey emulsion with pine nuts.

**Insalata Autunno** 7.95  
Mixed field greens, walnuts, dried cranberries and balsamic vinaigrette.

## Pastas

All our pasta is fresh, never dried.

All are also available in your choice of marinara or fresh basil pesto.

Add grilled chicken scaloppine +4.95  
Add a grilled Italian sausage +3.95

**Tagliatelle All'Aglio** 7.95  
Fresh tagliatelle with olive oil and garlic.

**Linguine Fra Diavolo** 8.95  
Fresh linguini in a spicy tomato sauce.

**Spaghetti Vongole** 16.95  
Fresh linguini with baby clams, white wine, olive oil and a touch of red pepper.

**Spaghetti All'Arrabbiata** 11.95  
Fresh spaghetti in a super-spicy sauce of tomato, peperoncini, olive oil, parsley.

**Ravioli** 13.95  
Fresh three cheese filled pasta pillows in traditional marinara.

**Lasagna** 13.95  
Fresh pasta sheets layered with ricotta and herbs, baked in marinara.

**Gnocchi Vivace** 15.95  
Fresh potato pasta dumplings in cream sauce with pancetta and green onion.

## Seasonal Italian Grill Selections

Served with your choice of today's vegetable or any small salad.

**Scaloppine Di Pollo** 12.95  
Simple, grilled scaloppine of chicken topped with olive oil and herbs.

**Pollo Parmigiana** 14.95  
Grill seared scaloppine of chicken topped with mozzarella, marinara and herbs.

**Arista Con Erbe** 17.95  
Pounded pork tenderloin medallions drizzled with olive oil and herbs and grilled to medium.\*

**Salsiccie** 13.95  
Simple grilled Italian sausage.

**Bistecca Con Erbe** (half pound) 19.95  
Tender rib eye steak grilled to medium rare, then topped with your choice of olive oil and fresh herbs or gorgonzola (gorgonzola +2).\*

**Bistecca Con Erbe** (one pound) 36.95  
Tender rib eye steak grilled to medium rare, then topped with your choice of olive oil and fresh herbs or gorgonzola (gorgonzola +2).\*

**Agnello Alla Griglia** 28.95  
Double cut NZ lamb chops marinated in rosemary and balsamic emulsion, then grilled to medium rare.\*

**Piatto Di Granchio** 18.95  
An entrée sized version of our popular "Fritelli Di Granchi" crab fritter.

**Pesce Del Giorno** Market  
Our fresh fish selection of the day. Please ask your server about today's fresh catch!

\* Consuming raw or undercooked meat, poultry, fish or eggs can increase your chances of acquiring a food borne illness.