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The Kebab Factory

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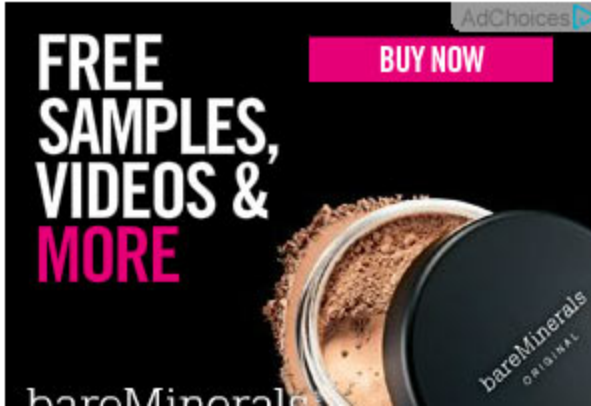
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What People Are Saying About The Kebab Factory

FEATURED REVIEW



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This restaurant sports an upscale feel and decor similar to those of its sister establishments. Diners look through the glass that separates the dining room from the kitchen and view sizzling skewers of kebabs. The signature Kundan Kaaliya dish (carved mutton on a bed of rich, saffron-flavored gravy with edible gold leaves) is quite a sight.

EDITOR'S TIPS

Save Money:

A generous lunch buffet (\$7.95 weekdays, \$9.95 weekends) is served daily.

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01/13/10

The only reason I ever went to Kebab Factory was because it was in my neighborhood. Since it's on the corner of Washington and Beacon Streets, no one (unless they are intending to do so) would probably stumble upon this place and go, "gee, I think I'll eat here tonight"... since it's really far out of the way for anyone to wander to.

Still, it's absolutely worth the trip, even for the lunch buffet. I see a lot of Indian restaurants get love because of their frequent diners at their locations, but Kebab Factory is hands down the best purveyor of North Indian fare in Boston. Their lunch buffet cycles every day; I've seen their excellently executed chicken tikka masala twice in all the times I've been there but have never been disappointed with the other offerings. The kebab meat is tasty and some of the best I've ever had, no matter what time you go for weekday brunch.

Basically, the Kebab Factory is worth the hike and is worth every penny you spend on the food there. They seriously know what they're doing.

Pros: fantastic food

Cons: out of the waysies

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Excellent Buffet

by [charliewalsh](#) at Citysearch



04/15/09

I often go to the Kebab Factory for lunch with colleagues. Its guaranteed to impress out of town clients, and new customers. However, I find that the spices are often bland (compared to other Indian restaurants) and the buffet menu does not change often. Still, if there is a place in Cambridge/Somerville that will definitely fill my appetite, this is it!

Pros: atmosphere, reliable food, friendly service

Cons: buffet does not change

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Best Indian Food In MetroBoston

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01/04/09

This was the second time I had had Indian food, but I went with a seasoned veteran of a friend to dinner, and we were both blown away. I'm not one for spicy foods, but everything was available in different heat ranges, with the standard being mild. The Chicken Tikka Masala was my favorite dish, and their Kali Mirch Ke Tikkey (chicken dipped in cream cheese) was confused for fish by my friend at first, because it was so tender and delicious. The complimentary soup at the beginning of the meal was great too, I've never liked spinach or mushrooms, but the soup somehow transformed them into this delicious medley of flavor. Then again, I've never liked tomatoes, and I like the Tikka Masala. As for the complaints about service, I have nothing but good things to say. Our water glasses were always full, they came and checked on us to see if we were enjoying our food, the services was speedy, and even though we were a little late to our reservation because we couldn't find parking, they weren't mad or tried to make us leave at all. Perhaps some people confuse that they don't speak perfect English for a failure on their part, which doesn't make any sense at all. My friend and I were so impressed by everything, in fact, that we went back the next week, and the service was even better than the first time. I believe we're now going to be regulars, since everything is cheap enough that it's not a strain on our college wallets.

Pros: Ambience

Cons: Parking, Stereotypical movies playing

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Incredibly rude.

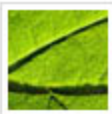
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12/22/08

Incredibly rude service. We had a reservation for 8pm. We were seated shortly after 8, but the waiter took forever to take and bring our order. We got our food at perhaps 9 or 9:15. The food was good and we ate at a normal (even fast) speed. Before we could even think about ordering dessert, the manager asked us to leave because they had made another reservation for 9:30. She acted nice about it but that was the rudest thing I've ever had happen to me at a restaurant.

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disappointed!

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01/28/08

I had been looking forward to trying this restaurant for awhile. I went there for the first time the other day and was HUGELY disappointed. The service was awful and slow. The food made me feel ill afterwards. And worst of all- on the credit card slip we left a 17-18% tip- we later noticed on our bank statement that they had INCREASED THE TIP to exactly 20%, despite the fact that we clearly filled out the credit card slip with the tip and total amount and signed it. For that reason, I will never go to this restaurant again.

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