

# Appetizers



The Kansas-Nebraska Bites \$18.54 - A law that defined the territories of Kansas and Nebraska and recognized the sovereignty of the people, the right of settlers to decide whether to allow slavery in their territories. The act repealed the Missouri Compromise of 1820 and sparked violent confrontations between pro-slavery and anti-slavery groups in Kansas, known as "Bleeding Kansas."

John Brown's Raid Rice Balls \$18.59 - An armed attack led by abolitionist John Brown on the federal armory at Harpers Ferry, Virginia in 1859. The raid aimed to start a slave insurrection and was a catalyst for the American Civil War, as it escalated tensions between the North and South and brought the issue of slavery to the forefront of national attention.

The Underground Railroad Red Potatoes \$19.99 - The Underground Railroad was a secret network of people and hideouts that helped escaped slaves in the 19th-century United States escape to the Free North or Canada. Not really a railroad, but a metaphorical term for the organized effort of slaves to escape enslavement, the Underground Railroad was an important aspect of the abolitionist movement and civil rights struggle in the United States.

# Main dishes



Missouri Mash-Up \$18.20 - A legislative solution passed to resolve the disagreement between pro-slavery and anti-slavery factions in the United States. It allowed Maine to enter the Union as a free state and Missouri as a slave state, preserving the balance of free and slave states in the country at the time.

Nat Turner's Tumultuous Turnovers \$18.31 - A slave uprising that took place in Southampton County, Virginia in 1831. Led by Nat Turner, a literate slave and preacher, the rebellion resulted in the deaths of over 50 white people and was one of the largest slave uprisings in American history.

The Mexican-American War Wagers 1846-1848 - A conflict fought between the United States and Mexico from 1846 to 1848. It arose from disputes over the borders of Texas and the American annexation of it, leading to the US victory and the subsequent Mexican cession of California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and parts of Colorado, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Cost: \$15 million

# Sides

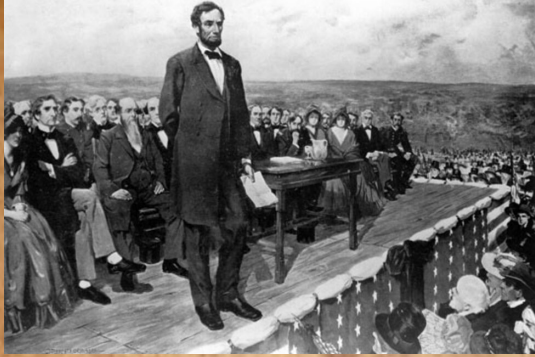


The Compromise Casserole \$18.50 - A package of bills passed by the United States Congress to settle several territorial and slavery disputes arising from the Mexican-American War. The compromise made California a free state, strengthened the Fugitive Slave Act, resolved the border dispute between Texas and New Mexico, and temporarily maintained a balance between free and slave states within the Union.

Uncle Tom's Cabin Cabbage \$18.52 - A novel written by Harriet Beecher Stowe in 1852. The novel depicted the harsh realities of slavery in the United States and served as a powerful abolitionist tool, helping to fuel the growing anti-slavery movement and ultimately contribute to the start of the American Civil War.

Dred Scott v. Sandford Soup \$18.57 - A landmark Supreme Court case in 1857 that ruled that African Americans, whether free or slave, could not be citizens of the United States and therefore had no standing to sue in federal court. This decision fueled tensions between the North and South and is considered a significant step towards the American Civil War.

# Beverages



Election of Abraham Lincoln Libation \$1860.00  
The election of the first Republican, Abraham Lincoln, as President of the United States was a turning point in American history. Lincoln's victory, though a minority in the popular vote, was seen as a victory over slavery, led to the secession of several Southern states, and set the stage for the Civil War.

The Fugitive Slave Act Sip \$18.50 - US federal law to return escaped slaves to their owners and punish those who help them. Although the law was seen as a compromise between the North and South, it was extremely unpopular in the North, causing tension between the two regions that eventually escalated into a civil war.

The Indian Removal Act Refresher \$18.30- A federal law passed in 1830 allows the U.S. government to expel tribes of Southeastern Indians to the Indian Territory (now Oklahoma) to make way for European American settlers. This act was a significant event in American history, leading to the forced relocation of thousands of Native Americans known as the "Trail of Tears" and contributing to the decline of Native American cultures and communities in the southeastern United States.

# Desserts



The Abolitionist Movement 1820-1860 Sweet Treats \$10.50 - Social and political efforts in the United States to end slavery and ensure equal rights for African Americans from the early 19th century through the Civil War. Abolitionists used a variety of methods, including political activism, writing, and direct action, to achieve their goals and end domestic slavery.

Suffrage Sweets Movement 1848-1860 \$19.20 - Women's suffrage movement in the United States beginning in the mid-19th century. Led by figures such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony, the movement played a pivotal role in enforcing the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote in 1920. Prohibition:

Sweets for Sobriety \$19.99 - A US social movement aimed at reducing or eliminating alcohol consumption, especially in his 19th century. Driven by religious and moral concerns about the effects of alcohol on individuals and society, the movement played a key role in the passage of the 18th Amendment.

# The Crossroads Cafe: A Tribute to Antebellum Conflicts



At the Crossroads Cafe: As a tribute to the conflicts before the Civil War, we offer unique dining experiences inspired by the significant events and people that shaped America from 1820 to 1860. Sandford, delicious appetizers commemorating the Kansas-Nebraska Act and Underground Railroad, desserts honoring abolitionists, women's suffrage, temperance, drinks commemorating the election of Abraham Lincoln, the Fugitive Slave Act, and the Mormon Western Movement. A featured menu item, Uncle Tom's Cabin, reflects the influence of literature on raising awareness of the realities of slavery. Join us on a journey through American history as we pay tribute to the pre-war conflicts that shaped our nation.