

Restaurant Review of Etobicoke's Newest Gem

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You'd expect the burger at a place called South St. Burger Co. to be special. And it is. When you first walk in, and your mouth starts to water from the smell of fresh patties cooking on an open flame, you know you have landed in burger mecca. At South St. Burger Co., every item on the menu is designed to be "best in class", and it delivers. The burgers are made with 100% pure beef, with no breadcrumbs or other fillers, so they have a real steak-like taste. Plus, the meat is locally raised and hormone and anti-biotic free, so you know that you are treating your family to premium quality food. Prefer a cheeseburger? You have 4 real cheeses to select from. But where South St. really stands out is in its wide variety of condiments (all free I might add), including some interesting options like wasabi mayo, mango chutney (great on the chicken breast sandwich) and guacamole! South St. Burger Co. is actually a 4 year old restaurant concept that was developed by the people who started New York Fries (which is ironically a Canadian company), so it is not surprising that these famous fries are offered as a side to the burger.

Their addictive Poutine is also available, which is a big draw in itself. But unlike the New York Fries restaurants, South St. also offers a hand made onion ring, which is made with fresh red onion and are like no other onion rings I have tasted. Thick cut with the tempura like batter revealing the tasty red onion, they are a far cry from the frozen, processed variety seen in more fast food restaurants. And what burger meal would be complete without a milkshake? True to its quality standard, the milkshake is made from premium, hand scooped ice cream and milk. I ordered the strawberry shake, and was pleased to see real strawberries mixed in. Overall, my experience at South St. Burger Co. really impressed me – from the food to the store design, I predict that Etobicoke has a new burger hot spot!

South St. Burger Co. is located at 1020 Islington Ave.

Open 11 am – 10 pm everyday.

● Hamburger Combo (burger/fries/soft drink) \$7.95

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