

Fraunces Tavern
54 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10004

George Washington Ate Here

After an eight-month renovation, this legendary restaurant, pub, and museum reopened in January 2011. Established in 1762, the place oozes with history. The food is also quite good, which is most important.

We had lunch in the main dining room, which is done completely in wood, giving off a very soothing, masculine aura. I had a very interesting dish of smoked trout and arugula salad on sour dough bread, topped with a fried egg and served with a delightful side of herb mayo. It's a salad, it's a sandwich, and it's just rich enough to be satisfying while light enough to make for a nice lunch. Arlene smartly went for a cheeseburger, which was excellent, served with the usual trimmings and a heap of some of the best french fries I have had in many a moon – crispy, golden, and perfectly seasoned.

The service was friendly, the prices not cheap but not outrageous, and the atmosphere smart but not stuffy. A great choice if you happen to be looking for a bite in the Financial District.

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