



JOE FORTES
FEATURE MENU

\$54.95

*Available Sunday to Thursday
while quantities last*

APPETIZER

Albacore Tuna Crudo
tomato confit, caper aioli, olive oil

Joe's Classic Caesar
crisp romaine, focaccia croutons,
grana padano parmesan

Tomato Bisque
fennel, gin, cream

MAIN

Sirloin Steak (10 oz.)
buttermilk mashed potatoes,
seasonal vegetables

Prawn & Clam Linguine
manila clams, jumbo prawns,
roasted tomatoes, chilis, olive oil

Steelhead Trout
tomato, leek butter, roasted potatoes,
seasonal vegetables

DESSERT

Tiramisu
mascarpone cream, lady fingers,
espresso, kahlua, baileys

Chocolate Truffle Tart
raspberry coulis, whipped cream



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A VANCOUVER LEGEND

Seraphim “Joe” Fortes was a former sailor, originally from Barbados and then Liverpool, and a legendary figure in the early history of Vancouver. After moving to the city in 1885, he worked as a bartender at the Sunnyside Hotel on Maple Tree Square in Gastown, then became a fixture at English Bay Beach, where he lived in a small cottage, acted as unofficial security guard, and taught hundreds of children how to swim. The city appointed the burly, friendly man, who had been a competitive swimmer in England, as its first official lifeguard at the turn of the twentieth century. When he died in 1922, Vancouver held the city’s longest funeral procession for Joe. Even in the twenty-first century, Vancouverites remember him with a monument near the site of his home, a branch of the Vancouver Public Library, and our restaurant, named after him when we opened in 1985, one hundred years after he arrived in Canada.