

# Great Beginnings

A Comprehensive listing of Appetizers by Skeeter Barnes



## About our Appetizers

According to the Merriam Webster Dictionary an Appetizer is a food or drink that stimulates the appetite and is usually served before a meal or is something that stimulates a desire for more. Well, at Skeeter Barnes our appetizers are both.

When we offer an appetizer, we want to be waking up your taste buds with delicious flavor sensations that call you to more. Serving our own handmade creations, we ensure the freshest of ingredients, lovingly assembled with you in mind.

Come explore our wide variety of Appetizers for a Great Beginning to your celebration.

Our Appetizer Buffets will serve your guests well when you would choose an all appetizer buffet instead of a meal.

Either way, we want you and your guests to enjoy a wonderful journey of flavors.

- ❖ *Exceptional Elegant Hors d'oeuvres*
- ❖ *Shrimp Appetizers*
- ❖ *Beef Appetizers*
- ❖ *Poultry Appetizers*
- ❖ *Vegetarian and Cheese Appetizers*
- ❖ *Fruits and Vegetables*
- ❖ *Ethnic and Regional Cuisines*
  - *Asian*
  - *Texas Inspired, Tex Mex*
  - *BBQ Appetizers*

*Great Beginning Prices are only for appetizers added to a Skeeter Barnes meal options and are based on 28-32 servings.*

*- Exceptional Elegant Hors d'oeuvres -*

**Blueberries on Lemon Curd and Walnut baguette with Fresh Mint (v) Seasonal**

Bright, fresh flavors that say summer and taste like a bite of Sunshine.

**Creamy Stuffed Mushrooms (v, gf) \$68\*\***

Baked mushroom caps filled with creamy and parmesan cheeses topped with crunchy toasted sliced almonds. A creamy delight for the mouth.

**Asparagus Bleu Cheese Wraps (v,) \$79\*\***

Fresh asparagus wrapped in a buttery crust with a touch of bleu cheese.

**Chocolate Covered Strawberries (v, gf) Seasonal**

Luscious strawberries dipped in dark chocolate. Luxurious.

**Baked Brie with Almonds (v, gf) \$70**

Luscious creamy Brie baked with Almonds and served with artisan breads.

**Crostini with assorted toppings (v,) \$60\***

Garlic toasted baguette with a variety of toppings. Choose 1 topping per order. Green & Black Olive Tapenade, Bruschetta, Pumpkin Seed Garlic Spread, Basil Pesto with tomato, or Spicy Onion Jam.

*- Shrimp Appetizers -*

**Bacon Wrapped Shrimp (gf) \$90\*\***

Large seasoned shrimp wrapped in bacon and grilled over hickory. An Original!

**Cilantro-Lime Shrimp (gf) \$100\*\***

A great summertime treat. Hickory Grilled Shrimp Marinated in fresh cilantro and lime juice.

**Icy Gulf Shrimp Cocktail (gf) \$80\*\***

Large tail-on Gulf shrimp served with traditional cocktail sauce.

**Shrimp Stuffed Portabella Mushrooms (gf) \$110**

Grilled Portabella Mushrooms Caps, de-gilled and stuffed with shrimp plus a mixtures of Cream Cheese and Parmesan.

**Shrimp on a Raft** (gf) **\$100\***

Large shrimp resting on a raft of garlic toast covered in melted Havarti Cheese.

**Southwestern Garlic Sage Shrimp with White Cheddar Grits** **\$120\*\***

*-Beef Appetizers-*

**Beef Wellingtons Bites** **\$100\*\***

Bite size morsels of beef tenders and Boursin cheese baked inside puffed pastry.

**Grilled Steak Skewers with assorted dipping sauces** (gf) **\$120\***

Tender aged Nebraska corn-fed beef skewered and grilled over hickory served with dipping sauces.

Choose 2: Creamy Horseradish, Thai Peanut, Ranch, Garlic Aioli, Bleu Cheese, Chipotle or Hot Chili.

**Sliced Beef Cocktail Sandwich** **\$65\***

Sliced Beef Tender with Baby Spinach and Garlic Aioli on Crostini or Sweet Sourdough Roll.

**Brisket Pizza** **\$75**

A flavor sensation that will surprise you. Tender beef brisket covered in melted cheese and sautéed onions on our sweet sourdough pizza crust. An unusual original!

**Fireball Meatballs** **\$59\*\***

A Fabulous spicy variation on the cocktail meatball.

*-Poultry Appetizers-*

**Grilled Chicken Skewers with assorted dipping sauces** (gf) **\$120\***

Choose 2 sauces: Honey Mustard, Thai Peanut, Cilantro Lime, Ginger Oil, Salsa, or Raspberry Balsamic

**Bacon Wrapped Chicken Bites** **\$60\***

Our Hickory Smoked Bacon wrapped around chunks of chicken and grilled over hickory  
Served with ranch dressing

**Smoked Turkey Sandwichettes with Basil Pesto Mayonnaise** **\$90\***

Slices of Skeeter's smoked turkey on our Sweet Sourdough rolls with Basil Pesto mayonnaise, Lettuce and Tomato.

**Smoked Skeeter Wings** **\$60\*\***

Choice of our Honey BBQ, Mild BBQ, Jalapeno BBQ, Habanera Hot, or Traditional Buffalo Style  
Smoked Skeeter Wings served with choice of Ranch or Bleu Cheese dips

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\*\* price for 60 pieces=approximately 30 servings

**Smoked Chicken Quesadillas****\$75\***

Wedges of Skeeter's smoked chicken with Monterey Jack Cheese, tomatoes, and onions grilled between flour tortillas. Served with Salsa Fresco.

*-Vegetarian Appetizers-***Garlic Humus with sliced Cucumbers and Lavosh flat bread (v)****\$50**

Creamy, homemade humus with just the right balance of lemon and garlic, served with fresh wedged cucumbers and Lavosh flat bread.

**Nebraska Trio of Cheeses (v,)****\$60\***

A cutting board with three different complementary cheeses, artisan breads and crackers.

**Cheese Fondue (v,)****\$80**

Melted Swiss and Gouda cheeses with a splash of wine served with bread chunks for dipping.

*-Fruit and Vegetable-***Fresh Fruit with Orange Ginger Dip (v, gf)****\$90**

Strawberries with seasonal fruit served with a delicious Orange Ginger Dip.

**Basil Marinated Green Beans over pasta nest (v)****\$75**

Tender Green Beans slathered in fresh Basil Marinade and layered over a nest of pasta.

**Skeeter's Famous Sweet Potato Chips (v, gf)****\$35**

Our freshly made Sweet Potato Chips served with Texas Ranch Sauce.

**Lemon and Garlic Pickled Asparagus (v, gf)****\$85**

Asparagus Spears pickled with Garlic and Fresh Lemon Juice.

**Fresh Fruit Kabobs with dip (v, gf)****\$80\*\***

A skewer of Melon, Strawberries and Pineapple served with dip.

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**Chocolate Covered Strawberries (v, gf)****Seasonal**

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**Colorful Fresh Chunky Veggies & Dips (v, gf)****\$75**

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Cucumber, Celery, Carrots, Sweet Multi colored Peppers, Grape Tomatoes, and additional seasonal veggies served with Skeeter's homemade Ranch and Deluxe Spinach Dip.

**Bruschetta (v,)** **\$50\***

Garlic toasted baguette topped with fresh basil, tomatoes, onion, garlic and parmesan cheese.

*- Ethnic and Regional Cuisines -*

*- Asian -*

**Asian Pork & Shrimp Dumplings** **\$120\***

Pork & shrimp seasoned with onion, ginger, and soy sauce wrapped and steamed with dipping sauce.

**Pork Satay with assorted dipping sauces** **\$140\***

Choose 2 sauces: Thai Peanut, Hot Chili, Sweet and Sour, Raspberry Balsamic

*- Texas Inspired -*

**Homemade Salsa and Chips (v, gf)** **\$50**

Real homemade Salsa served with freshly made corn tortilla chips.

**Tex-Mex Assorted Dips and Chips (v, gf)** **\$85**

Freshly made Guacamole, Pico de Gallo, and Salsa served with fresh corn tortilla chips.

**BBQ Nachos** **\$60**

Heaping plates of fresh fried Corn Tortilla chips covered with Shredded Cheese, BBQ Beans, Pulled Pork, Sliced Jalapeno Peppers, and Fresh Sour Cream.

**Sausage Kolaches** **\$65\***

Kielbasa sausage baked inside our sweet sourdough bread in a nice bite size roll.

Our upscale and much tastier version of a pig in a blanket.

*- BBQ Appetizers -*

**Cocktail BBQ Sandwiches** **\$70\***

Choose from Skeeter's authentic BBQ meats: Beef Brisket, Pulled Pork, or Pulled Chicken served on our sweet sourdough cocktail buns. BBQ sauces on the side.

**St. Louis Style Pork Ribs** **\$120\*\***

Big, meaty ribs, slow smoked our special way creating ribs so tender they will fall off the bone.

Served "Buck Baked". You add the sauce

**Smoked Skeeter Wings** **\$60\*\***

Choice of our Honey BBQ, Mild BBQ, Jalapeno BBQ, Habanera Hot, or Traditional Buffalo Style Smoked Skeeter Wings served with choice of Ranch or Bleu Cheese dips.

**Smothered Spuds** **\$50**

Potato wedges smothered in melted cheeses and bacon bits

**BBQ Pork Smothered Spuds** **\$65**

Baked Potato wedges smothered in heaping portions of Skeeter's Pulled Pork with melted cheeses and bacon bits.

*\*\*\* (v) indicates Vegetarian Entrée or Appetizer. \*\*\* (gf) indicates Gluten Free Entrée or Appetizer*

***Appetizers listed in Skeeter's Great Beginnings are priced as an addition to a catered Skeeter Barnes meal.***

***See Appetizer Buffet Menu listing for "Appetizer Only" Events.***

***Appetizers are served on Elegant Disposables. China and flatware are available by request for an additional charge.***

***Prices do not include applicable Sales Tax and 20% Service Charge.***