

The Burger with a Million-Dollar View



Sitting upstairs for lunch in the Quiver Bar at **~EPIC ROASTHOUSE~** feels like a secret: table 301 in the corner afforded me and my burger compatriot one hell of a view of the water and the Bay Bridge. And I dug the loungey vibe, too. The Quiver Bar is where you can order the 3 Bs: a burger, beer, and a brownie for \$20 (Monday through Friday from 11:30am–5pm). You get a half-pound burger, a daily grind made from top-notch trimmings, ranging from porterhouse to rib-eye to tenderloin to short ribs. The burger is a juicy beast, nestled in a grilled Panorama buttery roll that was made to executive chef Jan Birnbaum's specifications.

The pickles were good, but why the super-thick slices of them? Ditto on the thick rounds of grilled onion—they were a bit challenging to eat in the already towering burger. I also didn't fully groove on the waffle chips—I prefer fries with my burger. Waffle chips are for sandwiches, because then I can tuck them inside, crunch crunch. Sadly gotta dock points for the brownie: it was a brick, and just crazy sweet. I like mine chewy and chocolatey. But after that burger, I was in no shape to eat a honking brownie—well, for five hours or so.

Side note: kudos on the accompanying "salad bar" of condiments, which included corn relish, whole-grain mustard, bacon bits, aioli, and mushrooms—no need to order a "special" burger, because it's all there for ya! Bonus points for the savory house-made ketchup—they could sell bottles of it.