



The Meaning Behind Çka Ka Bëllu

In the town where I grew up, hospitality was more than a tradition—it was our way of life. A town once rich, not just in wealth, but in the joy of sharing our home and food with others.

Guests were welcomed with warmth, and our tables were always full. But as time passed and hardships came, (war came) we lost our wealth—yet our spirit of hospitality never faded.

Even when we had little to offer, we never closed our doors. No matter how difficult life became, we still welcomed guests with open arms, saying: "Come in, share bread, salt, and heart—whatever we have, we offer." This is the meaning of Çka Ka Qëllu—to serve whatever is available, with love and honor.

At Çka Ka Qëllu, we hold onto that spirit. Our restaurant does not belong to us alone—it belongs to our guests and to God. Every detail, from the ancient artifacts on our walls to the architecture surrounding you, has been chosen with care to bring the past into the present. We have not only preserved our recipes, but also the tradition of how they are served—just as our ancestors placed them on the table, without modernization or change.

Here, you are not just a customer—you are a guest in our home, just as you would have been in the villages of our past.

Welcome to our table.

As we always said, our home belongs to the guest and to God.

"An Albanian Restaurant belongs to God and its Guests."

PICKLED PEPPER Stuffed with a medley of seasonal pickled vegetables, prepared in the authentic, time honored way **CHEESE PICKLED PEPPER** A traditional combination of creamy cheese and pickled pepper **ROASTED PEPPER** Sautéed with garlic and olive oil PFPPFR DIP A rich, velvety blend of roasted peppers and cheese for a bold savory taste **SAUSAGE DIP** Slow-smoked sausage and two cheeses melt together in this creamy, savory dip **TARATOR** 5 Chilled yogurt blend with minced cucumber and garlic drizzled with parsley **AJVAR** 5.50 A roasted red pepper spread with hints of eggplant and garlic CHEESE 4.75 Traditional feta cheese drizzled with olive oil and finished with a touch of seasoning **FRENCH FRIES** 8.75 Classic, crispy, golden french fries, lightly seasoned MIXED OLIVES 12 A selection of marinated olives, seasoned with a delightful mix of herbs and olive oil **BAKED CHEESE** 15.25 Baked traditional feta cheese topped with a medley of seasonal vegetables and a touch of seasoning SESAME BAKED CHEESE 15.25 Dipped in egg, coated with flour and sesame seeds, baked to golden perfection, and finished with a rich honey glaze. Served with warm bread for perfect bite **GRILLED SEASONAL VEGETABLES** 14 Charred and seasoned to perfection



CKA KA QËLLU SOUP 9.50 Chicken soup with tender chicken, rice, and a mix of veggies in a flavorful broth **SALADS MEDITERRANEAN SALAD** Arugula greens topped with goat cheese, sliced green apples. sweet red beets, crunchy walnuts, and dried cranberries, all tossed in a flavorful Çka Ka Qëllu dressing **SHOP SALAD** Sweet cherry tomatoes, crisp cucumber, and creamy shredded feta cheese VILLAGE SALAD Romaine lettuce, tomatoes, sweet red onions, crunchy cucumber, feta cheese, and olives FLI Delicate, golden layers of hand-baked batter, brushed with rich butter for a soft, flaky texture - an Albanian culinary masterpiece MANTIA Crispy, golden-baked dumplings filled with ground veal and aromatic spices, served hot with a touch of traditional yogurt **BUREK** Delicious flaky pastry filled with either seasoned ground beef or

Cornbread made with spinach and three cheeses, complemented by

7.50

creamy feta, baked to golden perfection

LEÇENIK

a rich pepper sauce

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TAVA - CLAY DISHES Traditional slow-cooked dishes prepared in an earthenware pot for a comforting and authentic taste of Albanian cuisine **TAVA DHEUT** A creamy and flavorful baked dish made with tender-liver, peppers, tomatoes, cheese, and spices TAVA KOSI A classic Albanian baked dish featuring tender lamb in a creamy tangy yogurt and egg custard MAZË E ZIER A rich and creamy blend of three cheeses and cornmeal, cooked with homemade butter in a pan until perfectly smooth SPECË NË MAZË Fire-grilled cubanelle pepper, delicately sautéed in homemade butter and crowned with rich, artisanal cream cheese SUXHUK NË TAVË A handcrafted blend of ground veal and beef sausage sautéed in olive oil, melted in a velvety fusion of three artisanal cheeses **FASULË** A staple in Albanian cuisine, this traditional white bean stew is slow-simmered with aromatic spices and olive oil, creating a rich hearty broth. Enjoy it in its classic form or enhance it with homemade smoked meat \$4 or suxhuk \$4 for added depth and flavor SARMA 19 Cabbage leaves stuffed with seasoned ground meat, rice, and fresh vegetables STUFFED PEPPER 22.50 Tender peppers filled with a flavorful mix of seasonal vegetables, herbs, and rice MANTIA 16 Delicate ground beef-filled dumplings, baked to perfection and immersed in a luscious, house-made cheese sauce **KACAMAK** 16 A creamy Balkan porridge made with slow-cooked cornmeal, house-churned butter, and melted cheese **GULASH** 20 A traditional Balkan slow-cooked beef stew, simmered with onions. paprika, and aromatic spices, topped with mashed potatoes



GRILLED BRANZINO Grilled Mediterranean sea bass served with baked potatoes and grilled seasonal vegetables **GRILLED OCTOPUS** Served with mashed potatoes and grilled seasonal vegetables **QEBAPA (10 PCS)** Flame-grilled Qebapa, paired with rich kajmak and a side of cabbage salad QOFTE (4 PCS) Flame-grilled medallions of seasoned ground beef and veal, paired with rich kajmak and a side of cabbage salad **QOFTE SHARI** 21.50 Flame-grilled seasoned veal and beef mix, filled with melted cheese and chopped smoked meat served with golden potatoes topped with creamy house-made kajmak and a side of cabbage salad, bringing the rich flavors of the Shari Mountains to your table SUXHUK (3 PCS) Flame-grilled, handcrafted blend of ground veal and beef sausage, served in mazë, and with our leçenik (cornbread made with spinach and three cheeses, complemented by a rich pepper sauce) **GRILLED CHICKEN** 21 Grilled chicken, herb-marinated and grilled to perfection, served alongside smoky grilled vegetables and a side of cabbage salad FILET MIGNON VEAL SHISH QEBAP Succulent, marinated filet mignon veal, skewered and grilled to perfection. Served with creamy mashed potatoes and a side of grilled seasonal vegetables MIX GRILL PLATTER A traditional selection of gebapa, gofte, and suxhuk, grilled to perfection. This platter offers a rich, smoky, and spicy combination of flavors, perfect for one person to savor a true taste of Albanian cuisine **GRILLED LIVER** 21

Seasoned with our special homemade blend, served alongside

perfectly grilled seasonal vegetables

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TRADITA MIXED GRILL PLATTER Combination of qebapa, qofte, sausage, chicken & liver	34
SKENDERBEG Named after Albania's national hero, Gjergj Kastrioti Skënderbeu, this crispy, deep fried golden-breaded veal filet mignon rolls is stuffed with melted cheese and smoked meat, then served with baked potatoes and seasonal vegetables	33) h
LAMB MEAT Slow-roasted, tender lamb infused with our special house-blend spices	45
VEAL MEAT Flame-grilled thin cuts of marinated veal meat served with grilled vegetables and baked potatoes	36
RIB EYE STEAK FOR ONE (16 oz) Served with grilled vegetables, baked potatoes and kaçamak	65
ÇKA KA QËLLU MIXED MEAT COMBINATION Choice of five (5): lamb, liver, chicken, shish qebap, veal, suxhuk, and qofte. Served with grilled vegetables and baked potatoes. Served for two	50 Ju
SPRING LAMB CHOPS Juicy, perfectly grilled lamb chops drizzled with a light red wine, honey, and garlic sauce. Served with creamy mashed potatoes and tender asparagus.	35
DESSERTS T 8 HP 4 H D	
BAKLAVA Layers of crisp filo dough, filled with chopped nuts, and sweetened with honey-sugar syrup	7.50
SHEQERPARE Traditional Albanian soft, buttery cookie soaked in sweet lemon syrup	.25
ALBANIAN TRILEQE A cake soaked in a blend of three milks, topped with rich caramel cream	.25



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