Restaurant Review

The Golden Spiral: A Significant Addition to the Downtown Restaurant Scene

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The newly opened Golden Spiral, located in a formerly deleted neighborhood on the left-hand side of town, is already experiencing rave reviews from customers. So I decided to discover for myself whether such accolades were justified.

My companions and I converged on the establishment on a Thursday evening. The large dining area was attractively decorated in shades of blue, with vibrant paintings adorning the lateral surface area. We were quickly seated at an integral table by our courteous server, who was highly knowledgeable about the variable offerings.

Chef Julia Set has created an eclectic menu, with a harmonic progression of courses from appetizers to desserts. For our Chow tests we first ordered a series of appetizers: Tukey and pancetta croquettes, sweet potato pancakes topped with sea urchin rho, and lightly seasoned stem-and-leaf spring rolls with a ginger peanut dipping sauce. All were excellent starters.

Our ordered pair of pasta dishes, Bonferonni alfredo and Fibonacci marinara, arrived steaming hot with wafts of garlic circling upward to delight us. Warm, crusty slices of artisanal bread, spread with compounded beta, helped soak up the rich sauces. Just a small measure of spread was more than enough. The accompanying salads were a colorful composition of three lettuces (cos, domain, and curly d), disks of spring arccot, kernels of pickled corn, and a sprinkling of rose curves. The greens were lightly dressed in an emulsion of limaçon, which had a fresh citrus flavor.

Meat dishes were of divine proportions, well seasoned, and expertly prepared. I enjoyed a large, conic section of lambda with Spearman jelly and a side of roasted triple root vegetables. One of my companions prefers beef and therefore tried the twin primes, which were exquisitely cooked using the FOIL method. Small cubes of red and purple nu potatoes were the perfect accompaniment. The only gross error was the whitefish ordered by my other companion. The scale factor and bones made it unpleasant to eat.

For the conclusion of the meal we sampled two desserts: a Meyer lemma pi à la mode and a rich chocolate torte layered with vanilla mus. It is impossible to go wrong with either of these choices, and they are both a perfect end-point to any meal.

With all selections only a fraction of the cost of those from other restaurants of this caliber, Golden Spiral is an absolute value.

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