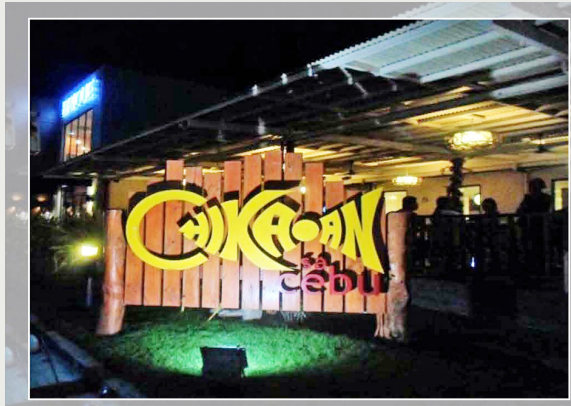


CHIKA-AN

: a local restaurant located at Salinas Drive, Lahug, Cebu City which features Cebuano cuisine in an old style Filipino home



Chika is a Cebuano word which means “to talk about something”. Chika-an is a popular restaurant which has been around for decades serving palatable and traditional Filipino cuisine. Upon entering the restaurant, you will notice the laid-back ambiance which gives you a feeling of relaxation and will make you feel cozy with the warm and inviting interior designs. Their menu includes a wide variety of local dishes which include chicken, pork, goat, seafood and a variety of vegetables. It also serves typical and local Filipino desserts such as halo-halo, biko, leche flan just to name a few. People can just enjoy a relaxing atmosphere while enjoying local cuisine.

VOCABULARY

cuisine
palatable
laid-back
ambiance
cozy

QUESTIONS

1. How often do you eat out?
2. What kind of restaurants do you like? Why?
3. Do you know how to order food in English? If so, was it easy to do so?

EXERCISE

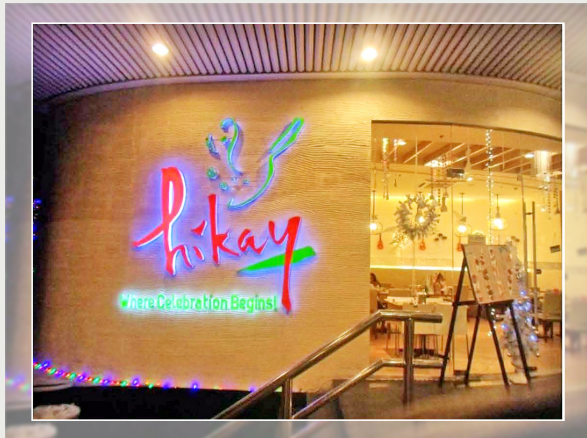
Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from the story.

cuisine palatable laid-back ambiance cozy

1. I enjoy the _____ lifestyle that the country side has to offer.
2. The warm lighting gives this room a really good _____.
3. French _____ is known to be one of the best in the world.
4. The food that the chef prepared were all _____.
5. They felt _____ near the fireplace in the living room.

HIKAY

: a Filipino restaurant located at the ground floor of Calyx Centre Building, IT Park, Lahug, Cebu City, known for its modernized take on native Filipino dishes



Hikay is a Cebuano word which means “preparing food”. Many tourists and locals visit this place to find reasonable prices and a variety of traditional Filipino dishes. The moment you walk in, you will feel welcomed by its soothing, ambient lighting and elegant array of tables and chairs. Hikay’s specialties include some traditional Filipino dishes such as pork sinigang, sweet and sour fish, vegetables and tasty and delectable deserts. Your cravings will surely be satisfied by the wide variety of entrees, soups and desserts.

VOCABULARY

array
ambient
delectable
entrees
craving

QUESTIONS

1. What is your favorite appetizer?
2. Can you name some restaurants in your place that serve food from other countries?
3. Did you enjoy eating out in other countries you have visited?

EXERCISE

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from the story.

array ambient delectable entrees craving

1. Pork chops, roasted chicken and grilled seafood are some of the _____ you can choose from.
2. This newly designed headphones can decrease the _____ noise around you.
3. I just can't resist eating too much, all the food taste so _____.
4. Whenever I go back to my hometown, I always have a _____ for seafood.
5. The shop has a wide _____ of beautiful souvenirs to choose from.

HUKAD

: a Filipino restaurant located at Salinas drive, SM City Cebu, Robinson's Cebu and Ayala Center Cebu



Hukad is a Cebuano word meaning “to serve food on your plate”. Hukad, as the name implies, really implies that it is unlimited rice, which the waiters/waitresses will serve on your plate. Any food such as rice or a viand or a soup transferred from the cooking casserole to your dining plate or bowl is to “hukad it” or serve it. Hukad embodies dining by serving traditional Filipino cuisine. It has superb dishes that are more than suitable for Filipino taste. Often celebrations, family gatherings and festive occasions are celebrated in Hukad to share these special moments and have a memorable dining experience.

VOCABULARY

implies
viand
embodies
festive
superb

QUESTIONS

1. Do you ever drink alcoholic beverages when you eat out? If so, what do you drink?
2. Do you worry about cholesterol when you eat out?
3. What's the worst experience you've ever had at a restaurant?

EXERCISE

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from the story.

implies viand embodies festive superb

1. Filipinos like to eat rice with a _____.
2. The performance of the dancers was _____.
3. Getting a low score in the exam _____ that we need to study hard.
4. The Christmas holiday is such a _____ occasion.
5. The painting _____ the hard work of the people.

LANTAW

: a native Filipino restaurant in Cebu which is famous for its unique locations and great Filipino food



Lantaw is a Cebuano word which means "to look from a distance". Lantaw native restaurant has three branches in Cebu which are the Lantaw Floating Native Restaurant in Cordova, Lantaw in SRP (South Road Properties) and Lantaw in Busay. The restaurant boasts some of the best views and some of the best ambiance in Cebu which is distinctive among all other restaurants in Cebu. Diners are given a spectacular view of the city and the locations are located with beautiful scenic views of the city which certainly help perk up the appetite. Aside from the fantastic view that it offers, you can find wonderful treats for dinner that boasts a wide array of different Filipino dishes that you're sure to love.

VOCABULARY

branches
boasts
spectacular
scenic
perks up

QUESTIONS

1. What's the most disgusting food you have ever eaten in a restaurant?
2. Do you care what a restaurant looks like, or is the food the only thing you care about?
3. What do you think about people smoking in a restaurant when you are trying to eat?

EXERCISE

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from the story.

branches boasts spectacular scenic perks up

1. He _____ of having a very expensive car.
2. May bank has a lot of _____ in the country.
3. Her speech _____ Roger _____ who was sleepy.
4. Tourists want to witness a _____ view.
5. It was a _____ performance.

PINO

: a restaurant located at Wilson Street, Lahug Cebu City offering distinct flavours of Filipino food. Pino is a Filipino word meaning “fine”.



Pino is the adjective used by Filipinos to express admiration. Pino may refer to “pinong ugali” (fine manners), “pinong burda” (fine embroidery) or “pinong paghahabi” (fine weaving). In relation to food, pino refers to impeccable preferences as in “pinong panlasa” (fine taste buds). Pino restaurant offers sumptuous food and gives the customers a fine dining experience. The traditional hospitality of Filipinos is shown and the diners feel this while dining at Pino Restaurant.

VOCABULARY

admiration
manners
embroidery
sumptuous
hospitality

QUESTIONS

1. What is the most expensive restaurant in your place?
2. Who do you usually go with when you eat out?
3. How much do you usually pay when you eat out? Do you consider the price of the food?

EXERCISE

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from the story.

admiration manner embroidery sumptuous hospitality

1. Filipinos are known for their _____.
2. The man expressed his _____ by giving her a small gift.
3. They had a _____ dining experience.
4. She learned _____ from her grandmother.
5. My friend showed a bad _____ at the party.