

# A Taste of Adventure: Walk The Plank Burger & Vampire Bread at The Gangplank Pub & Grub Restaurant



## Foodie Thrills in Downtown St. Ignace

The Gangplank Pub & Grub sits on the bustling thoroughfare that is State Street in St. Ignace, right across from the marina. Sporting a large covered outdoor seating area, it is a good place for a summer evening meal.

We were happy to discover that the menu had something for everyone in our group, from the vegetarian to the burger lover. We got to choose between awesome appetizers (try the Gator Bites if you dare), unique sandwiches, and several great veggie options.



## The Walk-the-Plank Burger



We had a chat with Tessa Shepherd, a server who has spent four summers working at The Gangplank. Shepherd recounted reactions to their famous Walk the Plank - a burger so monumental that it leaves diners both fascinated and bewildered. It is not uncommon to hear exclamations of wonder as the massive masterpiece is placed at the table. "They're like, "Oh my gosh, how do we eat this?"



What all fits between those 2 grilled brioche buns? A pair of CAB steak patties, blue cheese crumbles, boom-boom sauce, cob smoked bacon, deep-fried pickles, American cheese, pulled pork, slaw, hand-battered deep-fried onions, deep-fried beer-battered cheese curds. The entire monstrosity is then speared with a skewer, and embellished with yet another deep-fried pickle spear.

Whew! You will need a fork.

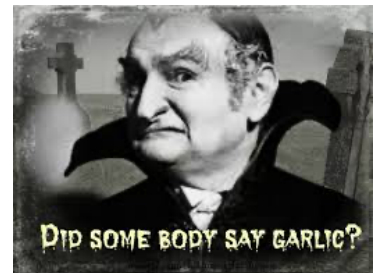
Shepherd recalled a memorable encounter with a brave young girl who devoured an entire Walk the Plank

burger, much to everyone's surprise: "I do remember the first one that I sold, I was like, are you sure? And she ate the entire thing! Yeah, it was like a big deal! That was the first summer we started selling it, so it was kind of cool."

## The Legend of the Vampire Bread



Among the many treasures on the menu, the enigmatic Vampire Bread has captured the hearts (and palates) of diners .



Shepherd explained the satisfying, bready treat, "The vampire butter has a garlicky taste. We put that on our Count Burger as well, and that's one of our most popular burgers! Basically, it is just cheesy bread. We have a lot of delicious cheese on it, and we bake it, and add the

vampire butter. We serve our homemade bruschetta on the side." A staple since the early days of The Gangplank, this cheesy creation remains a favorite among patrons.

Whether you're ready to "Walk the Plank", or want to brave the legendary Vampire Bread, The Gangplank Pub & Grub is one to put on your to-do list. The breezy ambiance and views of Lake Huron will have you coming back for more.

**See you in St. Ignace!**



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