



by Mark Rumreich

Chumley's is a popular watering hole on the strip, well-known for its extensive beer selection, pool tables and warm weather patio seating along the street. They've been in Broad Ripple for six years - a second location in Lafayette has been open for three.



Chumley's is between La Bamba and India Garden on Broad Ripple Avenue.

Old-timers may recall Arthur's Music in this spot in the seventies and Schiff's Shoes in the fifties. Really old-timers will know it as the home of North Side Chevrolet during the thirties and forties.

## Chumley's Beerhouse and Grill

838 Broad Ripple Avenue  
**466-1555**

Mon-Sat: 11am-3am  
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Chumley's has fifty beers on tap and 99 varieties of bottled beer. Their "Around the World Beer Club" gets you a tee-shirt and your name immortalized on the wall after fifty beers. 149 beers sounds like a lot, but the Chumley's beer picker did a meticulous job of including a lot of exceptional brews - the list isn't diluted with a lot of duplicates between the drafts & bottles or too many products from a single brewer. The beer list even includes prices - worth extra points in my book. (It's not a pleasant

surprise when we discover on the bill that we've been quaffing \$7 a bottle imports.)

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Chumley's menu has a good selection of pub fare including grilled burgers and sandwiches, tortilla wraps, soups and salads. There are appetizers and a kids menu too. Pizzas are available with rising or thin crusts, in large and small sizes. Toppings include all the usual favorites plus Cajun chicken, portabella mushrooms, pepperoncini and red bell peppers. We ordered a thin crust pizza with Cajun chicken, bacon and mushrooms and a rising crust pizza with pepperoni and sausage.

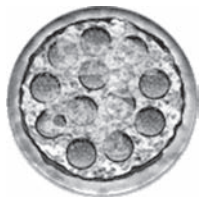
Our attentive waitress delivered our pizzas about ten minutes after ordering. The crusts were not homemade, but were both good in spite of it - the thin crust was crisp and the rising crust was chewy and tender. The tomato sauce was spicy and sparingly applied on both pies. Cajun chicken, bacon and mushrooms proved to be a great combination and was my favorite of the two pizzas. The second pizza had spicy pepperoni, but the sausage was very mild and didn't stand out much from the other flavors of this pizza.

Chumley's neighborhood pub atmosphere, wall of TVs, pool tables and patio make it a great place to enjoy beer and pizza - and with their extensive hours, you can enjoy them just about any day or time.

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