

Great American Rib

32 Sukhumvit Soi 36, 1200 m from Sukhumvit Rd, on site parking

The first time we reviewed the Great American Rib it consisted of a single restaurant on Sukhumvit Soi 36. Today it has branches in Hua Hin, Pattaya and the outskirts of Bangkok. BBQ, as it is known in the Southern United States, is a style of cooking with its cultural roots in both Africa and Europe. It has, however, evolved into something that is both uniquely American and great to eat.

Pork, and occasionally BBQ chicken, is what southern-style barbecue is all about.

Appropriately, at the Great American Rib pork ribs and pulled pork are the stars of the



show. The restaurant's signature 'Great American Bar-B-Que Feast' will feed four to five hungry people for just a tad over 1,000 baht and consists of a full rack of ribs, a whole 'butt kickin' chicken, one pound of pulled pork, pepper coated 'pastramied' pork tenderloin, beans, coleslaw, curly fries and Jalapeño corn bread. A half order is only B595 and will easily feed three. For those with

smaller appetites, the Original Buffalo Wings and selection of burgers and sandwiches are great choices.

Most people opt for the outdoor area with a moveable cover and fan cooling that really works. Seating is at 'picnic tables' covered with patterned plastic and blues and R&B play softly in the background, adding to the feeling you are dining in an American 'backyard'. The reasonable prices, casual atmosphere and style of cooking make this restaurant particularly appropriate for families and groups. Beer and cocktails are ideal accompaniments and they have a fully stocked bar.

Americans get passionate about their BBQ and argue that served in their part of the country is best. Happily, the food here provides a delicious and fitting introduction to a cuisine most people end up loving.

Highly recommended for a touch of Americana and some great food.