

Sampler [SOLUTION]

The flavor text hints that we want to categorize dishes by the flavors in them. Splitting the dishes up by the five basic flavors (sour, sweet, bitter, salty, umami) gives:

SOUR

- Flanders Red Ale (Pitcher) [15.97]
- Sauerkraut [4.23]

SWEET

- Chocolate Lava Cake [2.21]

BITTER

- Coffee (1.00)
- Tonic Water (1.00)
- Green Olives (3.18)

SALTY

- Tortilla Chips (2.99)
- French Fries (1.99)
- Soft Pretzel (2.45)
- Bag of Mixed Nuts (0.72)

UMAMI

- Jumbo Shrimp (5.39)
- Green Tea (1.00)
- Aged Parmesan Platter (3.29)
- Stuffed Shiitake Mushrooms (3.21)
- Smoked Pork Loin (5.25)

The title hints that we want to try some of everything and the rest of the flavor text indicates we want to determine the cost. Summing the cost of all the dishes in each flavor gives:

Sour → 20.20

Sweet → 2.21

Bitter → 5.18

Salty → 8.15

Umami → 18.14

We notice that both the dollar and cent values of each category sum are less than 26, suggesting we use them to index into the alphabet. Organizing by the number of dishes in each category and indexing gives:

Sweet → B U [1 dish]

Sour → T T [2 dishes]

Bitter → E R [3 dishes]

Salty → H O [4 dishes]

Umami → R N [5 dishes]

This spells BUTTERHORN, a bakery item at [Du-par's Restaurant and Bakery](#).