

# Firefly Grill offers really ‘green’ cuisine

The Firefly Grill brings a gourmet, culinary experience to the table.

The restaurant in Effingham has been recognized by several leading publications for its approach to contemporary cuisine as well as its efforts to “go green.” And they’re listed No. 2 on *Bon Appetit’s* 10 Best Eco-Friendly

restaurants.

Many of the ingredients are grown right in the restaurant’s backyard. The rest are locally sourced from artisan farmers, foragers and sustainable fisheries that share the same philosophies. Diners can watch the care and preparation that goes on “behind the scenes”

in the restaurant’s expedition kitchen. Guests can grab a front-row seat to the area’s natural beauty in front of Kristie Lake that can be viewed from the glass-lined dining room or all-season patio.

“We’re passionate about the food we serve as well as making a smaller carbon footprint,” said Kristie Campbell, co-owner/operator. “Our building is made of recycled steel and the barn of recycled wood. We don’t use pesticides or herbicides in the garden. We love to nourish people. Visitors always ask, ‘why are you here?’ and ‘can you open a Firefly Grill in our community?’”



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Steak Burger, Firefly Grill, Effingham, Ill.

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The menu changes with the seasons, reflecting their passion for the freshest ingredients. Co-owner/executive chef Niall Campbell balances from-the-garden vegetables with proteins to create innovative American cuisine in the heart of the Midwest.

The restaurant is known for its fresh seafood, oak-fired steaks and brick-oven pizzas. Bangers n Mash, Montana Mignon and Steak House Garlic Fries are just a few of the menu specialties.

For groups, the couple can present cooking demonstrations or talk about the farm-to-table movement. The restaurant is a destination worth the drive. It’s open for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch. 🍴

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